

PETITION TO REBUILD ROCK CREEK FISH HATCHERY

To: **Members of the Oregon Fish & Wildlife Commission**

- Kathayoon Khalil
- Jill E. Zarnowitz
- Becky Hatfield-Hyde
- Dr. Leslie King
- Mary Wahl
- Robert Spelbrink
- Mark Labhart

Cc: Curt Melcher: Director, ODFW
State Sen. Floyd Prozanski
State Rep. Cedric Hayden
Douglas County Board of Commissioners

We the undersigned residents of the State of Oregon petition the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife to fully rebuild the Rock Creek Fish Hatchery for the following reasons:

- Rock Creek Hatchery annual fish releases of nearly one million salmon, steelhead, and trout are stocked into many local Umpqua basin rivers and lakes;
- Maintaining current Rock Creek Hatchery fish production is approved in ODFW's coastal multi-species management plan, hatchery management plans, and Douglas County's mitigation agreement;
- ODFW recently adopted a management plan after critical scientific review and public stakeholders' comments to maintain current number of coastal hatcheries, including Rock Creek Hatchery, for the next several years;
- Rock Creek Hatchery fish production has provided tens of thousands of catchable and harvestable salmon, steelhead, and trout with a high benefit/cost ratio every year for the past century;
- Rock Creek Hatchery enhances overall fishing opportunities for local, regional, and statewide recreational and commercial anglers;
- Rock Creek Hatchery program at current in-basin site and local fishing opportunities are successfully balanced with wild fish conservation goals in the Umpqua Basin;
- Rock Creek and the lower North Umpqua River are the homewaters of recent juvenile fish releases and unneeded pausing of the rebuild efforts will cause further harm and impacts to returning numbers of adult salmon and steelhead that are needed more than ever in the next few years;
- Transferring current in-basin fish collection, spawning, rearing, and releases to out-of-Umpqua Basin facilities will significantly increase risk to our highly-valued wild fish populations, especially North Umpqua spring chinook, South Umpqua spring chinook and North Umpqua summer steelhead;
- Unwarranted delays called for by anti-hatchery groups during these challenging times are not in the best interest to rebuilding the facilities, to reforming a science-based fish production operation, to restoring the hatchery connection to the watershed, and to restarting the educational programs for landowners, public, teachers, and students;
- The "Rock-Ed" classroom will provide place-based education using the local community and environment to teach concepts in science and other subjects across the curriculum;
- Extensive science-based post-fire monitoring and review of effects and risks to fish, water quality, and forest health will allow flexibility and creativity at the hatchery to ensure fulfillment and success in the foreseeable future;
- Rock Creek Hatchery benefits include a proven conservation operation, a popular tourist attraction, and an education center that are connected ecologically, economically, and socially.



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Matt Hill signed this petition



Umpqua Fishery Enhancement Derby started this petition to Oregon Fish & Wildlife Commission

Rock Creek Hatchery was destroyed by the 2020 Archie Creek Fire. The Oregon Department of Fish & Wildlife is considering options for reconstruction that could change or even eliminate Rock Creek role in producing fish for the Umpqua River Basin.

There are many reasons to support a full reconstruction of Rock Creek Hatchery,

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Thank you Commissioner Kress!



Umpqua Fishery Enhancement Derby

3 weeks ago

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Reasons for signing



Brandon D'Anna · 1 week ago

It would be a shame to see this river lose one of it's last hatchery programs that people from all walks of life still enjoy.

♡ 0 · Report



Adam Holt · 1 week ago

Hatcheries are the sole mitigation tool to sustain salmon populations due to the loss of habitat and other man made factors contributing to their decline.

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Heidi	Reeder		Myrtle Point
Tyler	Nale		Sutherlin 97479
Joshua	Sabin	Conservation	Camas Valley, OR 97448
Zana	Wilson	Fishing	Roseburg 97471
Shan	Worrell		Winston
David	Lugar		Roseburg, OR
Scott	DOUGLAS	AMERICA!	Sutherlin
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Michael Eastman	Eastman	Catching	Roseburg
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Nolan	Quimby	Glide Native, lived up Rock Creek	Roseburg
Natasha	Quimby	Waldrons	Roseburg
Amanda	Crowl	Waldrons	Roseburg
Vicki	Crowl		Myrtle Creek
Nancy	Snider		Myrtle Creek
Brenda Snider	Snider	Fisherman	Roseburg
Jean Reid	Reid	Waldrons	Sunrise
Jacqueline	Reid	Fisherman	Azalea
Stephanie	Reid	Fisherman	Azalea
Hedge	Reid	Fisherman	Azalea
Corinna	Reid	Fisherman	Azalea
Jeff	Taylor	Hi, Pat Logging, Inc.	(Amu) Valley, OR
Ronnie	Brown	Fisherman	Roseburg
Tara	Brown	Fisherman	Roseburg
Shayla	Brown	Fisherman	Roseburg
Julie	Frazee	Fisherman	Roseburg
Edson	Matena	Fisherman	Roseburg
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Richard	Sulfridge	Fisherman	Sunrise
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David	Monett	Monett Logging Inc.	Roseburg
William	Willis	Fisherman	Roseburg
James	Conn	Fisherman	Roseburg
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Victor	Wilson	Fishing	Winston
Don	Bachmeier	Fisherman	Winston
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<i>Matt</i>	<i>Jacobs</i>	<i>Fishing & Hunting</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Matt</i>	<i>Furman</i>	<i>FISHING/HUNTING</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Greg</i>	<i>Leone</i>	<i>fishing/hunting</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Milke</i>	<i>Ward</i>	<i>Fishing/hunting</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Tony</i>	<i>Leone</i>	<i>Fishing</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Michael</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Fishing</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>SenniFer</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Fisherman</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Matt</i>	<i>Barrett</i>	<i>Fishing</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
<i>Wili</i>	<i>Patterson</i>	<i>Redneck</i>	<i>Sutherlin</i>
<i>NORMAN</i>	<i>MAHAR</i>	<i>Fish</i>	<i>M. Craig</i>
<i>Cheryl</i>	<i>Cole</i>	<i>Fish/Hunt</i>	<i>Myrtle Creek</i>
<i>Ryan</i>	<i>Cole</i>	<i>Fishing</i>	<i>Glide</i>
<i>Sasha</i>	<i>Kress</i>	<i>Fishing</i>	<i>Glide</i>
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<i>Larry</i>	<i>Rich</i>	<i>FISHING</i>	<i>Roseburg</i>
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Shirley	Jones	Guide	Eugene
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