

Maine Fishery Resources Office

Fact Sheet

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Purpose

The Maine Fishery Resources Office provides management coordination and technical assistance to state, federal and non-government partners involved in the recovery and restoration of anadromous fish in Maine.

Public Use Notes

- Co-located at the Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery
- Hatchery tours and visitor center
- Education programs

Management Activities

- Recovering federally listed endangered populations of Atlantic salmon in the Gulf of Maine Distinct Population Segment
- Restoring Atlantic salmon and their habitats in the Penobscot River basin
- Providing technical assistance to Native American governments involved in land use management, habitat preservation and anadromous fish restoration

- Providing assistance in fisheries management and evaluation to the National Fish Hatchery System
- Coordinating and assisting fisheries management issues and habitat protection and restoration
- Informing and educating the public and interest groups

Highlights

The station is involved in anadromous fish recovery and restoration in 16 rivers where populations historically existed.

The Gulf of Maine Distinct Population Segment Atlantic salmon represent the last remaining wild populations of native Atlantic salmon in the United States.

The office assists and evaluates brood stock and production management at the newly reconstructed Craig Brook National Fish Hatchery.

Issues

Precariously low populations of wild Atlantic salmon and other migratory fish species

Acid rain and contaminants in streams and rivers

Inadequate fish passage

Federal listing of the Gulf of Maine Distinct Population Segment Atlantic salmon

Complex natural and human factors influencing anadromous fish restoration and recovery



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