

Chattahoochee Forest

National Fish Hatchery 2019

Notes from the Project Leader

Rainy Times

2019 got off to a rainy start in the north Georgia mountains and continues as we near springtime! The conditions have been great for producing beautiful trout. By July, when we usually see drought like conditions, we will certainly look back thankfully on these times!



Delayed Harvest and Trout Stocking Season

Delayed Harvest (DH) stockings on the Toccoa River are going great! Stocking on other streams will begin late-March and be in full distribution mode by April. Please visit www.gofishgeorgia.com for the 2019 Georgia Sport Fishing Regulations. Stay up-to-date with the hatchery's stocking and other happenings on Facebook www.facebook.com/chattahoocheeforestnfh and the hatchery website www.fws.gov/chattahoocheeforest.

Upcoming Fishing Rodeos

- * Veterans - May 3rd
- * Special Kids - May 8th
- * Seniors - June 7th
- * Kids - June 8th

Visit the Hatchery

Monday-Friday 8 a.m.-3 p.m.
Federal holiday/other exceptions may apply. Please call in advance. The facility offers an informational visitor kiosk, outdoor raceway viewing area, year-round fishing in Rock Creek, picnicking, visitor restrooms and tours.

"The fishing rodeos are a huge success each year thanks to support from Friends of the Hatchery. Without dedicated volunteers, these events would not be possible."

- Project Leader Kelly Taylor

Economic Impact

Recreational angling results in considerable expenditures of recreation related goods and services such as lodging, food, transportation, boats, fishing gear, and other equipment. Businesses and industries benefit from these expenditures, which also create jobs and yield tax revenue for local and state economies. These economic benefits are especially significant in small towns and rural areas near the waters stocked by the hatchery. For more information, visit the hatchery website.

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