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TROUTLINE FEBRUARY 2015

NEXT BOARD MEETING: April 25th, 2015. Rampart Supply, 1801 N. Union Blvd., Colorado Springs, at 9:30 a.m. The BOD will be finalizing the 2015/2016 budget at this meeting. Please feel free to attend and share your ideas.

ELECTIONS BOD: Any member wishing to run for a term as Director please contact Janice Good at 719-207-1596. The BOD elections will be held at the annual meeting in May.

ANNUAL MEETING: The annual meeting will be held on May 16, 2015. We will be at 1:00 p.m. in the club shop.

2015 ARCTIC CHAR: We received 1731 eyed eggs on December 19 from Troutlodge and they hatched on January 6. We currently have 1051. We will stock 625 into Lakes 8, 15, and 20 next fall when they reach 3" and lake water temperatures cool down to 48 degrees.

2015 HOFER RAINBOWS: We currently have 16,373 Hofers which are 14.5" and 1.2 pounds. We expect to have a 10% mortality over the winter due to predators such as birds and coyotes. We expect to have 14,865 to begin our 2015 stocking. These Hofers are the same size as our 2014 rainbows were at this time last year, but we have 2777 more fish.

2015 RAINBOW STOCKING: We will be stocking our 2015 Hofer rainbows on May 4, 26, June 1, 29, July 6, August 3. Although we have an increased number of Hofers, we will again be short of our stocking goal of 17,000. If you would like to help stock on any of the dates, please contact the office at 719-486-1075.

2016 TRIPLOID RAINBOWS: We currently have 23,200 triploids and they are 9" long. These fish are slightly larger than the 2015 Hofers were at this time last year. We also have 3,085 more fish compared to the Hofers. We will be using 2500 fish from this year class to resume our super catchable program in 2017.

2017 KAMLOOPS RAINBOWS: These rainbows are growing well. Their size is comparable to the 2016 triploids at this time last year. We currently have 31,496 and they are almost 2". When these fish reach 3", we will grade them down to 28,000 fish.

Grading allows us to keep the bigger fish, keep the same size, and gives us an accurate number of remaining fish.

2015 BROWN TROUT: We currently have 4505 and they are 1.2". These are the brown trout eggs we received from CPW as a trade for brook trout eggs. We have noticed that these fish grow faster which means we will be able to stock them into the lakes sooner. In the previous years, the brown trout that we have spawned here on the club, have been too small to sample until March and were only 1.3" at that time. When these fish reach 3", we will stock 2070 into Lakes 6,7,8,9,10,12,15,18, and 20.

2015 TIGER TROUT: We currently have 1086 and are 1.3". We plan to stock 900 into Lakes 2,10,11,15,19, and 21 when they reach 3" next summer. If we need extra tiger trout to stock, we will use our leftovers from 2014. Those fish are currently in the hatchery and still growing. We have 1357 and they are 4.3".

2015 CUTTHROAT TROUT: Our cutthroat trout are growing very well. We have 2939 and they are 2.5". We will stock 1975 into Lakes 2,3,4,5,8,12,15, and 20 this spring when they reach 3".

WATER FLOWS: Our water flows have been stable and we are still running water throughout the entire system. In order to have a good water year, we rely on late winter/spring snow storms to add to the current snowpack, along with a cool spring to allow spring runoff at a steady rate.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS: Please welcome Keith Van Velkinburgh who purchased from Larry and Judy Mathiak.

FOR SALE LIST: Is no longer part of the "Troutline" but will be emailed along with each Troutline and emailed to our membership each time there is a change in the "memberships for sale" list. Please contact Shaun Mulligan (303-513-0624) if you wish to list a membership or other items for sale.

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