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Re: Shad question

Joe_McKeon to: Ericp Nelson

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History: This message has been replied to.

Hi Eric:

Juveniles or young-of-year would likely be present in mid-June through August. We plan on sampling for juveniles in spring through fall once we begin fry stocking in large numbers. We got in the water late last year - September - and did not find fish below Hooksett Dam and upriver from Amoskeag Dam. We also sampled at the release site in late September with no juvenile captures or observations. I think we were too late. So we'll try to get in earlier this year.

We hope to begin to get a better idea when/where fish are present/migrating post spring stocking by sampling and also by observations at the hydros.

Joe

Eric: I have cc'd the Technical Committee and Advisors to the Committee and you may receive additional information.

I have also attached the near final DRAft of the Shad Plan.

(See attached file: SHAD Plan.3.4.10.NearFinal.doc)

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SubjectShad question

Good Morning, Joe:

I'm trying to understand when early life stages of American shad might be present (through stocking) in the upper Merrimack River. If the first shad larvae are released into the Merrimack in mid to late May, when is the earliest we might expect "juveniles" to be present? Early to mid-June?

Eric

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