

SCDNR Region 1 Fisheries Management in the Upper Savannah River Basin



Freshwater Fisheries

Trout Management



Brook Trout Management



- FY23:
 - Pig Pen Branch Restoration
 - Monitor past restoration populations on King Creek and Crane Creek
 - Genetic sampling
 - Wild Brook Trout spawning success at Walhalla Fish Hatchery

Trout Stocking



- Approximately 500,000 trout stocked annually
- Mix of Rainbow, Brook, and Brown Trout stocked
- Waters stocked in the Upper Savannah River Basin:
 - Chattooga River, Chauga River, Eastatoee River, and tributaries
 - Mountain Lakes: Oconee State Park Swimming Lake
 - Lake Hartwell Tailrace

Black Bass Population Management



Black Crappie Population Management



Fish Habitat Enhancement Projects



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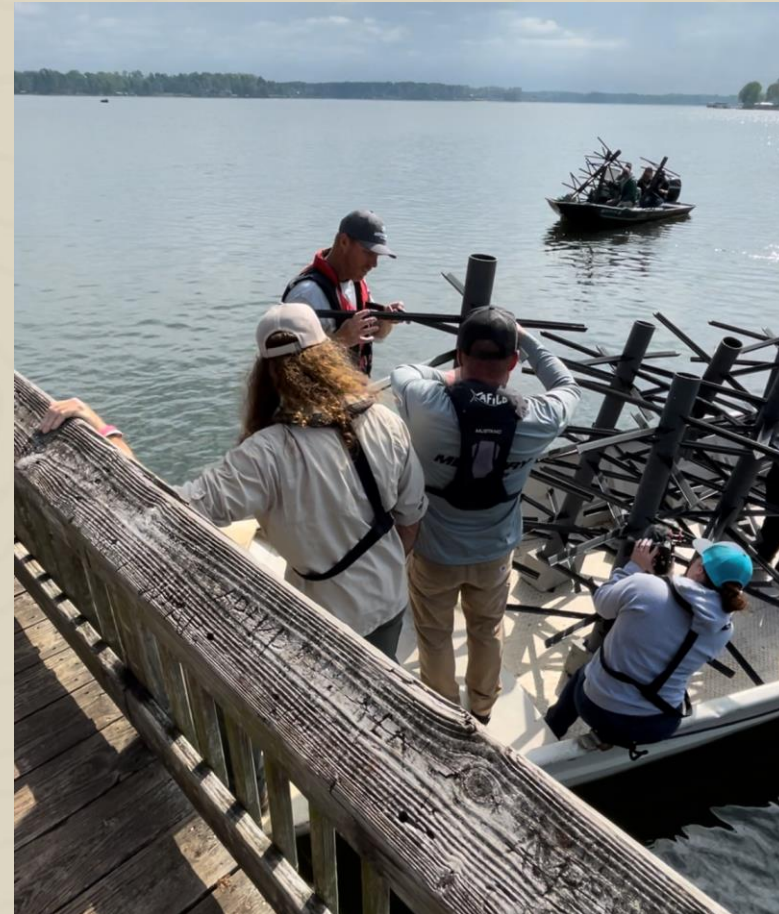
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Fish Attractor Maps

Fisheries biologists with the DNR Freshwater Fisheries Section have been constructing structures in all the major reservoirs in South Carolina. These sites are clearly marked by buoys and are constructed of various materials. The following maps and GPS coordinates are being provided to assist fisherman in locating these sites:

- [Fishing Creek Reservoir](#)
- [Lake Greenwood](#)
- [Lake Keowee](#)
- [Lake Hartwell](#)
- [Lake Marion](#)
- [Lake Monticello](#)
- [Lake Moultrie](#)
- [Lake Murray](#)
- [Lake Russell](#)
- [Lake Secession](#)
- [Lake Thurmond](#)
- [Lake Wateree](#)
- [Lake Wylie](#)

[List of all Fish Attractor locations](#) is in the PDF format and is also available for [download as a GIS layer](#).



[SCDNR - Fish Attractor Maps](#)

www.dnr.sc.gov/fish/fishattract/fishattr.html

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SCDNR Hatchery Assistance and Striped Bass Stocking



Creel Surveys



- Lake Thurmond Creel – 2024
 - 2020 creel survey
 - Economic Impact: approximately \$5.9 million spent by anglers
- Lake Jocassee Creel Surveys - 2025
 - 2019 creel survey
 - Economic Impact: approximately \$1.2 million spent by anglers
- Lake Keowee Creel – 2026
 - 2020 creel survey
 - Economic Impact: approximately \$5.9 million spent by anglers

Other activities:



- Review scientific collection permit applications
- Federal Energy Regulatory Commission (FERC) Hydroelectric relicensing
- Outreach – presentations to various user groups
- Pond management advise
- Youth Fishing Events

Questions?

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