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Native Fish Releases 2006

Fisheries Victoria Native Fish Stocking Plan

Fisheries Victoria's native and salmonid fish stocking program is designed to enhance recreational fishing opportunities for anglers. Annual stocking plans are developed utilising information provided at regional stakeholder consultation meetings (CONS). Stakeholders involved are the Victorian Recreational Fishing peak body (VRFish), water and catchment management authorities, the Department of Sustainability and Environment (DSE), Fisheries Victoria and other relevant stakeholders. VRFish represents recreational anglers at these meetings.

The meetings consider the performance of existing stocking programs, results of stock assessment, angler and creel

surveys, prevailing environmental conditions, impacts of land and water management regimes and other issues that may impact on the fishery. Requests by stakeholders to vary current stocking programs are also considered.

Stocking Plans may be subject to 'last minute' variation due to natural factors i.e. flood, fire, low water level or quality, algal blooms or manmade impacts such as major works on storages.

Continuing dry conditions meant some scheduled releases were cancelled and others modified. Where possible, VRFish are consulted prior to a variation.

Table 1. Native fish Stocked

Water stocked	Month 2006	Fish size (g)	Murray cod	Golden perch	Silver perch	Trout cod	Australian bass
Alans Flat Dredge Hole	Apr	0.85		1,000			
Amaroo Lake (Shepparton)	Apr	0.85		500			
Anderson Lake (Chiltern)	Apr	0.85		1,000			
Avoca River (Charlton to Nattie Yallock)	Mar Feb	0.90 0.64	10,000	5,000			
Bartlett Lake (Tatura)	Mar	0.80		1,000			
Boga Lake (Lake Boga)	Mar Feb	1.04 203	1,000 *	5,000#			
Broken Creek (Dip Bridge & Nathalia)	Feb Feb Mar	0.80 0.84 0.60	12,000 7,000	15,000			
Broken River (Benalla to Gowangardie Weir)	Feb	0.60		15,800			
Buffalo Lake (Myrtleford)	Mar Mar	0.50 0.17	1,000	10,000			
Cairn Curran Res (Maldon)	Mar Feb	0.90 0.52	10,000	20,000			
Calambeen Lake (Creswick)	Mar	1.00		200			
Campaspe River (Axedale to Elmore)	Apr Feb	0.82 0.52	20,000	10,000			

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Charm Lake (Lake Charm)	Mar	1.04		5,000#			
	Feb	203	500 *				
Craigmuir Lake (Mooroopna)	Mar	0.80		1,000			
Crusoe Reservoir (Bendigo)	Mar	0.90		5,000			
Cudgewa Creek (Cudgewa)	Feb	0.64	5,000				
Cullulleraine Lake (Cullulleraine)	Feb	0.52	10,000				
Eildon Lake (Eildon)	Nov/20	0.70		30,000			
	05	1.08	6,600				
	Jan	0.55	1,260				
	Feb	0.84	3,100				
	Feb	0.64	19,500				
	Mar	1.69	19,540				
Expedition Pass Reservoir (Farraday)	Mar	0.90		1,000			
	Feb	0.52	250				
Goldfields Res (Maryborough)	Mar	0.90		2,000			
Goulburn River (Shepparton)	May	1.40		470			
	Jan	1.15	50,000				
Greens Lake (Corop)	Apr	0.82		5,000			
	Mar	1.70	10,000				
Gunbower Creek (Gunbower to Cohuna)	Jan	1.18	20,000				
Hume Lake (Wodonga)	Nov/20	0.70		30,000			
	05	0.50		28,300			
Kangaroo Lake (Lake Charm)	Mar	1.50		10,000#			
	Feb	203	800 *				
	Apr	0.70	1,500#				
Kerford Lake (Beechworth)	Mar	1.04		5,000			
Kialla Lakes (Shepparton)	Mar	0.50		1,500			
King Lake (Rutherglen)	Apr	0.85		1,000			
Kow Swamp (Leitchville)	Mar	1.05		15,000#			
Laanecoore Reservoir (Laanecoore)	Mar	0.90		10,000			
Little Boort Lake (Boort)	Apr	0.75		2,000			
Little Murray River (Swanhill)	Jan	1.10	10,000				
Loddon River (Newbridge to Kerang)	Apr	0.82		20,000			
	Jan	1.07	3,000				
	Feb	0.52	17,000				
Lowanna Lake (Shepparton)	Apr	0.85		500			
Mitta Mitta River (Pigs Point)	Apr	0.60	10,000				
Molliston Creek Weir (Pyalong)	Mar	0.90		1,000			
	Feb	0.52	1,000				
Nillahcootie Lake (Lima South)	Apr	0.85		20,000			
Numurkah Lake (Numurkah)	Mar	0.80		5,000			
Ovens River (D/s of Wangaratta)	Jan	1.06				10,400	
Pyramid Creek (Below K swamp)	Jan	1.09	3,400				
	Feb	0.52	6,600				

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Reedy Lake (First) (Kerang)	Mar	1.04		5,000#			
	Feb	203	300 *				
	Apr	0.70	1,500#				
Richardson River (Rich Avon)	Mar	0.90		5,000			
Sambell Lake (Beechworth)	Mar	0.50		5,000			
Seven Creeks (Euroa)	Mar	1.05		4,000			
	Apr	0.85		1,000			
Tullaroop Creek (Carisbrook)	Mar	0.90		5,000			
Waranga Basin (Rushworth)	Apr	0.94	20,000				
Wimmera River (Jeparit to Elmhurst)	Apr	0.75		20,000			
Wimmera River (Dimboola & Horsham)	Apr	1.30			10,000		
Total			281,850	298,270	10,000	10,400	

Table 2. Number

Murray cod	Golden perch	Silver perch	Trout cod	Australian bass	Total
281,850	298,270	10,000	10,400		600,520

Table 3. Weight (kg)

Murray cod	Golden perch	Silver perch	Trout cod	Australian bass	Total (kg)
785.6	303.5	13.0	11.0		1113.1

Table 4. Transport

Kms travelled	Total Man Days
24,316	59

*	Yearling Murray cod – Dart Tagged
#	Chemically marked fish

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