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UPPER SNAKE REGION FISHERIES MANAGEMENT UPDATE

Crooked/Meyers Creek Renovation

The IDFG will be conducting a stream restoration to remove nonnative brook trout from Meyers Creek in the Medicine Lodge Drainage on September 1 & 2, 2009. Liquid rotenone, a fish toxicant, will be applied to the waters to remove nonnative brook trout. Once the brook trout are removed, habitat will be available for native Yellowstone cutthroat trout, which currently reside in Crooked Creek which connects to Meyers Creek. This is part of an IDFG program to enhance native fish populations across their range.

Mountain Whitefish Status Meeting

A meeting to inform concerned citizens about the status of mountain whitefish in the Big Lost River will occur on September 3 at 7:00 pm at the Mackay High School auditorium. The meeting will focus on the current status of mountain whitefish in the Big Lost River. The US Fish and Wildlife service is currently involved in a status review of these fish to determine if they warrant listing under the Endangered Species Act. The USFWS will accept comments pertinent to mountain whitefish from the public until September 8.

For more information on fisheries management activities in the Upper Snake Region contact Regional Fish Manager Dan Garren at the Idaho Department of Fish & Game at 525-7290 or through the Idaho Relay Service at 1-800-377-3529 (TDD). Comments can also be sent via E-mail to dgarren@idfg.idaho.gov. Individuals with disabilities may request meeting accommodations.