



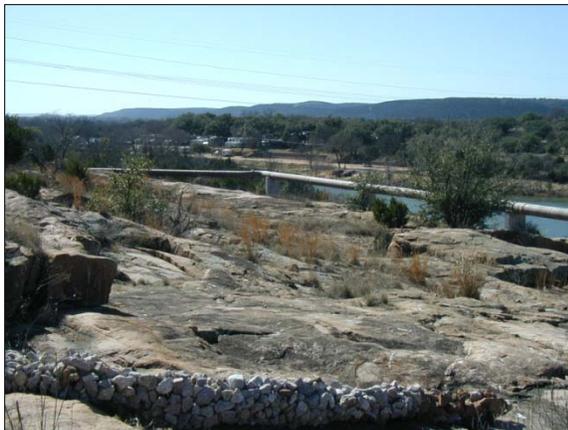
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service – Southwest Region



Austin Contractor to Rehabilitate Inks Dam Facilities FACT SHEET

Project Description

Austin, TX contractor Beck-Reit & Sons was awarded \$385,000 of Recovery Act funds to refurbish and rehabilitate fish ponds at Inks Dam National Fish Hatchery (NFH) in Burnet, TX. In addition to concrete work, Beck-Reit & Sons will build new kettles (used to remove the fish from the ponds and place them in trucks for delivery), reinforce concrete walls on several ponds, and replace worn drain lines. Officials with the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) hope to increase efficiency upon the hatchery, which was originally constructed in 1938.



Inks Dam NFH, main water pipeline

Inks Dam NFH, located 67 miles northwest of Austin, TX, breeds sportfish for distribution to Native American tribes in New Mexico, Arizona, Texas, Oklahoma, and Louisiana. The fish pond rehabilitation project is part of a larger upgrade which will include a new water filtration system and increase energy efficiency on the hatchery.

Inks Dam NFH also breeds the endangered Clear Creek Gambusia. U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service (Service) officials expect work to be complete by the end of the year.

Project Benefits

The project is expected to create work for four people as well as decreasing water loss, and increasing efficiency on the hatchery.

Budget information

Inks Dam NFH - *\$586,000

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