

**Anchorage (William J Hernandez) Sport Fish Hatchery Project Update**  
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**Oral Presentation**

Construction on the Anchorage (William J Hernandez) (WJH) Sport Fish Hatchery has been underway for over a year and a half now and over one year since the last presentation on the project at the last Northwest Fish Culture Conference. The Hatchery is scheduled to be online by June of 2011 and will serve as an integral part of a development strategy to ensure the continued and increased production of sport fish for the South Central Region of Alaska. When production begins in summer of 2011, the new facility will have a total rearing volume of greater than 4200 m<sup>3</sup> and will annually produce approximately 5.6 million fish for release. This presentation will focus on the transition from design to construction and provide an update on how the project has progressed over the subject time period. The presentation will also include a description of steps taken during construction to ensure hatchery staff have remained an integral part of determining the final configuration of many of the components integrated in the design and how some of the steps taken during design have worked to facilitate overcoming construction issues.