

# Lake Nessmuk Fish Habitat Improvement Project



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- PFC purchased property in 1967
- The dam was built and the lake was formed in 1968
- Lake acreage: 60 acres
- Access area maintained by the Borough of Wellsboro
- Previous fishery: Largemouth Bass, Bluegill, Yellow Perch, Pumpkinseed



View from Route 287 North



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George Washington Sears  
“Nessmuk”

Outdoor Writer and Conservationist











# Physical Fish Habitat

- Spawning/Nesting
- Juvenile Cover
- Ambush Cover
- Foraging
- Refuge



# Cooperative Habitat Improvement Program (CHIP) Habitat Partners





# Canopy Cluster





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# Rock Rubble and Root Wad Humps





# Spider Hump





# Rock Rubble Humps





# Felled Tree





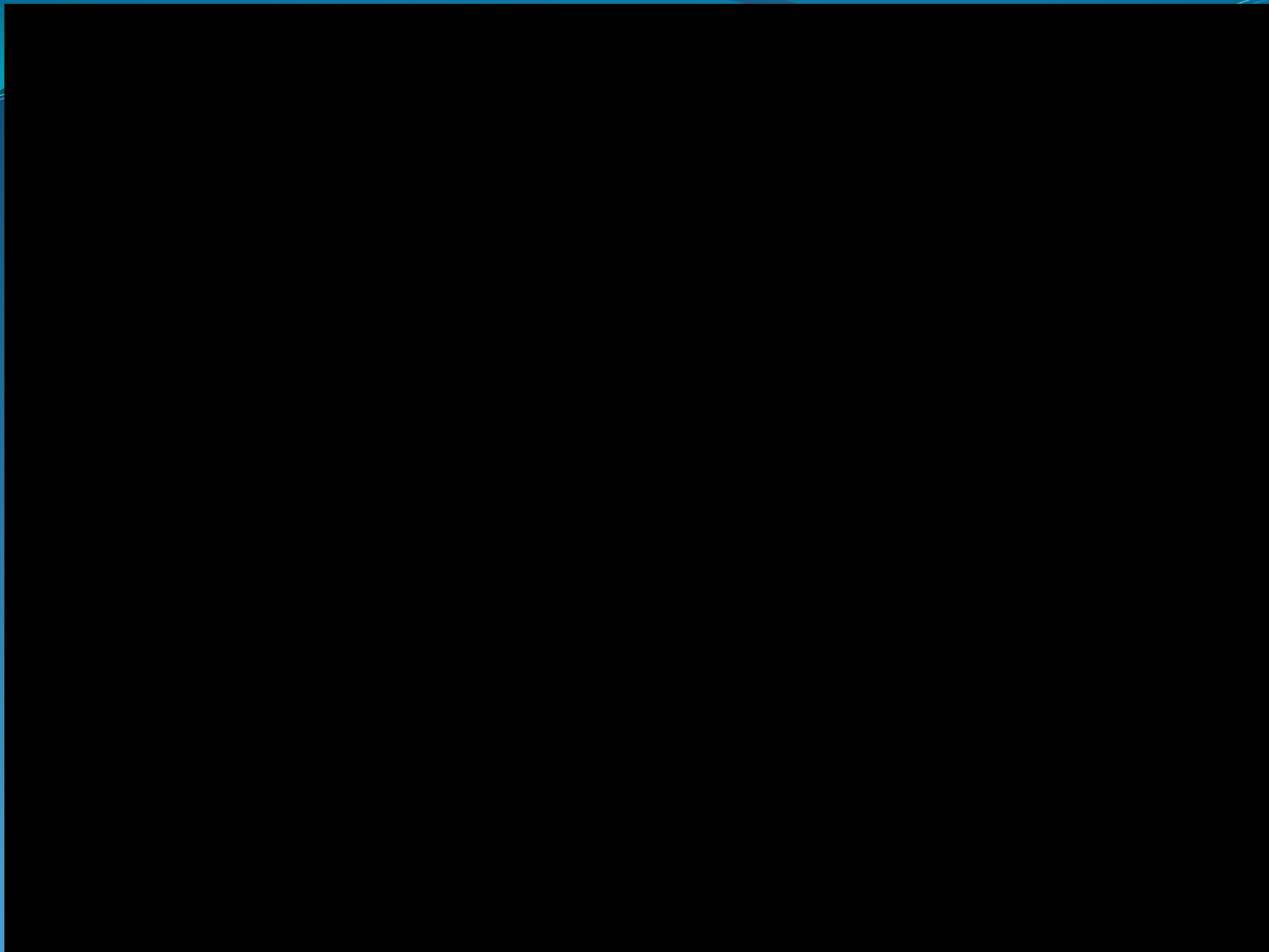
# Post Cluster





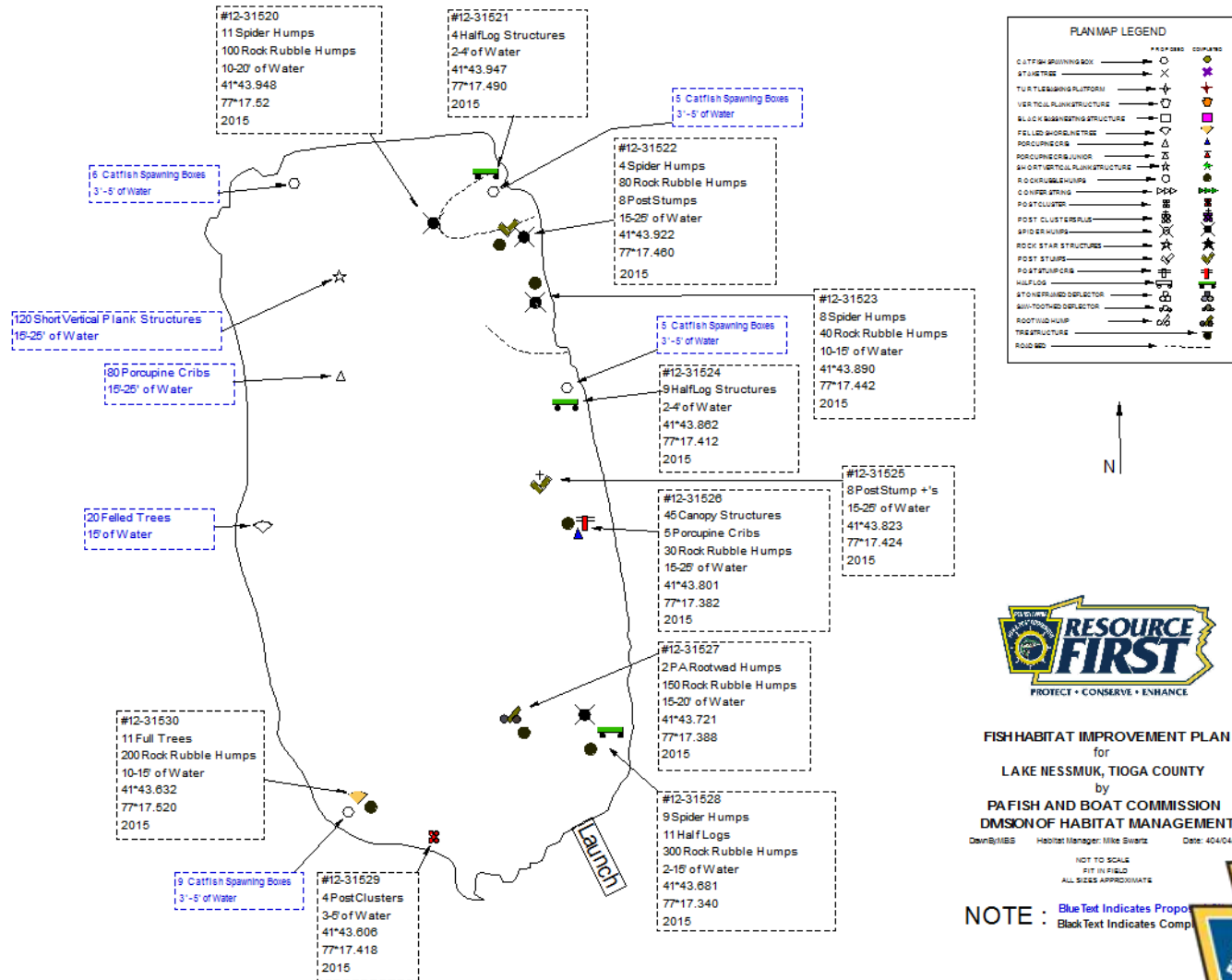
# Channel Catfish Spawning Boxes







# Project Plan Map



<http://fishandboat.com/lakeplans.htm>



# Refill and Stocking

- Refill begins May 2015
- Refill will last approximately four months
- Fingerling stocking scheduled 2015-2017
- Species to be stocked: Largemouth Bass

Black Crappie

Yellow Perch

Channel Catfish

Brown Bullhead Catfish

Chain Pickerel

Bluegill

Golden Shiner

Spotfin Shiner





# Questions?

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