



Spring 2005

HENRY'S FORK FOUNDATION

NEWSLETTER

Fish passage enhancements planned for the Buffalo River Hydro Project

by Jim De Rito
HFF Conservation Director

Construction of a new fish ladder and improved screening of the turbine intake will take place this summer as part of the re-licensing of the Buffalo River Hydroelectric Project (formerly known as the Pond's Lodge project). The Fall River Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. facility is located on the Buffalo River about 220 yards upstream from the confluence with the Henrys Fork River. The original 12 foot high rock rubble dam was built in 1936. A fish ladder was included when the dam was constructed, but it was poorly engineered and ineffective at passing fish. In 1996, the Henry's Fork Foundation (HFF) and other cooperators installed a new fish ladder. This existing ladder allows passage of adult rainbow trout past the upstream-most ten feet of the dam spillway. However, juvenile rainbow trout and potentially some adults were not able to navigate the steep approach up to the entrance to the ladder.

The ladder to be built as part of the relicensing will be designed to provide upstream fish passage for rainbow trout as small as four inches. The 270-foot long ladder along the river-left side of the dam will include the existing fish ladder as its "uppermost rungs." Access to spawning habitat and quality over-wintering habitat in the Buffalo River will result in the production and rearing of

more juvenile rainbow trout. Furthermore, these juvenile fish will be more likely to successfully migrate downstream past the dam when a quarter-inch screen is installed on the turbine intake. The current two-inch screen on the turbine intake is ineffective at preventing fish from entering the power facility intake with subsequent high levels of mortality. Construction work on the fish ladder, intake



screening, and other dam improvements will take place from August through October, 2005. During this time, access to the Buffalo River near the project may be limited and there is the potential for construction noise and slight sediment production. However, these potential short-term effects will be more than offset by the improvement in fish passage. The ultimate benefit for this project will be increased recruitment of one-year old and older rainbow trout to the Henrys Fork River, which translates into more adult rainbow trout in the Box Canyon and further downriver.

The HFF, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game, and the U.S. Forest Service have all been contributing members of the review team for this project. Lee Mabey, fisheries biologist with the Caribou-Targhee National Forest, is to be commended for his commitment to providing fish passage improvements for this project. Fall River Rural Electric Cooperative, Inc. is to be thanked for their cooperation in the relicensing process.

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HFF executive director to take military leave in July

Former board member John Hoagland will take over as interim director

Dear Henry's Fork Foundation members,

Starting in July I will be taking a leave of absence from my duties as Executive Director in order to return to active duty with the U.S. Marine Corps. As many of you know, I spent four years on active duty after I graduated from college, and another two years in the reserve following that. I am an infantry officer, and given the extraordinary demands that the war on terror has placed on the Marines (and the other services), there is a great need for infantrymen to serve in many different capacities. It is time for me to do my part.

I should be back on the job in Ashton by early summer next year. Needless to say, I will miss working here at the Foundation while I am away. However, I will not worry. The Henry's Fork Foundation is as strong now as it has ever been. We are financially sound, we have a superb staff and a committed board, and our project work spans the watershed and responds to its greatest needs, current and future. My temporary absence will not change any of this.

That said, we did need to ensure that the Foundation will not lose any of the momentum that we have built up in recent years. To that end, the Board of Directors has appointed John Hoagland to be the interim executive director while I am away. John is eminently qualified to serve in this capacity. He lives part-time in Island Park and is long-time member of the HFF and a former member of the HFF Board of Directors. He spent 28 years working for the U.S. Forest Service in resource economics, wilderness management, recreation, and winter sports administration. He retired in 2002 as Director of the Intermountain Region's 2002 Winter Olympic Planning Team. John is a graduate of the University of Utah and has a graduate degree in forest science management from Utah State University. He is also, needless to say, an avid fly fisherman.

John will begin work in June, and take over as interim executive director after Henry's Fork Day. Please take a moment in the coming months to welcome John aboard. He is eager to get started. I will follow the HFF's fortunes from a distance, and look forward to returning in 2006.

Steve Trafton

**Express your best wishes to
Steve in person at Henry's Fork
Day, June 18.**

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A Note From the Chair —

It is with a certain amount of melancholy that I write this, my last column as your Board Chair. The last three years have shot by, and I have to admit I have enjoyed every moment of it. I want to thank each and every one of you, the great members and supporters of HFF, for your support and good will.

The last three years have not been without financial challenges, but with careful planning, the Foundation is now fiscally strong and operating in a very efficient manner (see Annual Report on Page 4). In terms of our mission, the accomplishments have also been significant.

Upper River Project: In 2002, with the help of the Flat Rock Club, we were able to begin the process of researching the river above Coffee Pot Rapids to determine just what had gone wrong to cause noticeable declines in the river's productivity. We worked with a consultant to study that stretch of river to determine its potential, concluding that the first step to bringing this section of river back to its historic status was to bring key sections of the Henry's Lake outlet back into its original channel. The first major step of this work was completed a few weeks ago. We are currently working with the Idaho Department of Fish & Game to restore Yellowstone cutthroat trout into their historical habitat in parts of the upper watershed, and we continue to work with landowners on riparian improvement and sedimentation issues.

Fish Rescue and Stream Flows: Who can forget the October 2003 fish rescue in Box Canyon, when 200-plus anglers and concerned citizens turned out to spend three days herding fish when the water was shut off at Island Park Dam for repairs? Not long after this event, the Foundation, the Fremont Madison-Irrigation District and others agreed to minimum stream flows of 220 cfs during the winter months. We reached the same agreement this past winter; it all adds up to more fish in the river. This collaborative arrangement continues today thanks to those folks who were willing to sit down around a table and discuss the issues.

River Access: By thinking "outside the box" we have been able to jumpstart a project that will assure angler access to the lower Henry's Fork for many years to come. As I write this, we are hard at work with Fremont County in the initial stages of the new Vernon Bridge access point. Likewise, our Stone Bridge project is on track to be completed in the spring of 2006.

I could go on, but I think you get the point. As a great athlete once said "There is no 'I' in TEAM." This has not been a one-person effort, but the work of a group of people who love and respect the river, a great HFF board of directors, an outstanding office staff and, yes, a great executive director.

Now we are faced with another challenge. As announced on page two of this newsletter, our Executive Director, Steve Trafton, will be leaving in July for a 10-12 month deployment with the Marine Corps. Steve leaves with our full support and gratitude for the sacrifices he is making. He will have our prayers and thoughts for a rapid and safe deployment and a quick return home to his family and friends. For the interim, we have selected a talented and experienced individual to move HFF forward: John Hoagland. John is a longtime HFF member and a former board director, who is up to the challenge of running the day to day operations of the foundation. Our focus will not change; we are determined to move forward with the goals we have set.

Finally, I welcome your incoming board chair, Gene Quinn. Gene is an accomplished leader who has a deep commitment to the river and HFF. In the last three years we have re-established the footings of the foundation; Gene Quinn is the individual who will be able to move HFF to the next level.

Thanks again for all your support and words of encouragement. As Captain Augustus McCrae said in Larry McMurtry's novel *Lonesome Dove*, "By God Woodrow, it's been a hell of a party."

—Marty McLellan

Fiscal Year 2004 Financial Report

Statement of Revenues and Expenditures and Changes in Net Assets for Fiscal Year ending September 30, 2004 Henry's Fork Foundation, Inc.

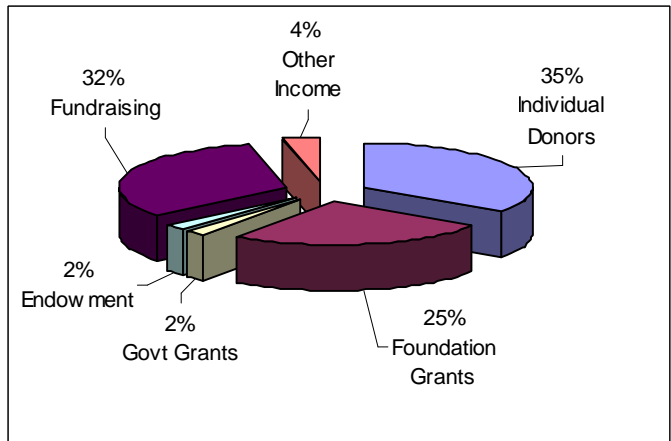
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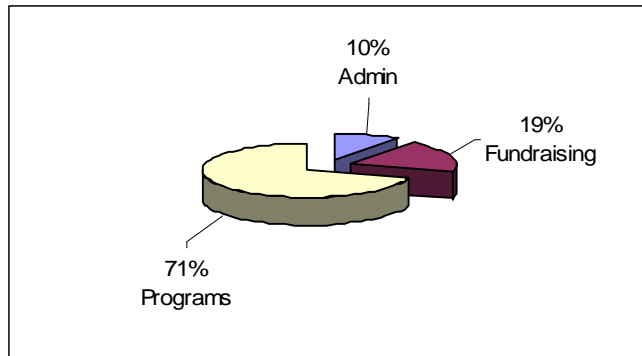
REVENUES

Individual Donors	\$189,559.00
Foundation Grants	\$137,500.00
Government Grants	\$ 10,000.00
Endowments	\$ 11,746.00
Fundraising Events	\$175,410.00
Other income	\$ 19,830.00
TOTAL REVENUE	\$544,045.00



EXPENDITURES

Administration	\$ 41,344.00
Fundraising	\$ 74,626.00
Programs	\$285,263.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$401,233.00



Net Revenues Fiscal Year 2004

\$ 142,812

Net Assets beginning of year

\$ 200,546

Net Assets end of year

\$ 343,358



Copies of the audited financial statements are available in the HFF office. The Foundation is a nonprofit 501(c)(3) corporation. All donations to HFF are tax deductible to the extent allowable by law.

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CALENDAR YEAR 2004

Note: The Donor Honor Roll contains gifts entered in the HFF donor database between January 1 and December 31, 2004. Some donor gifts may have been dated in 2004 but not entered until January 2005. If you do not see your gift listed here, look for it in our current donor list on page 11.

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Members are invited to the annual reception June 17th from 5 pm—7 pm at Hydes Last Chance Lodge, Island Park.

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The annual meeting of members of the Henry's Fork Foundation will be held on Friday, June 17, 2005 from 10:00 a.m. to 12:00 at Elk Creek Ranch, 3906 Loop Road, Island Park



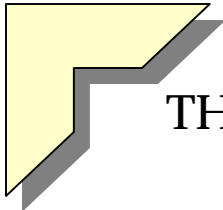
Shaun Lawson
at work on the
lower Henry's
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THE NEW ACCESS SITE AT VERNON BRIDGE

The new Vernon Bridge access site is under construction, and should be completed (or nearly so) by the time you receive this newsletter. The site is on the east (river left) bank of the river, about one third of a mile downstream from the former boat launch and parking area at the bridge itself. The new site, known variously as "the gravel pit" or "Black Springs," is on part of a larger piece of property owned by Fremont County. Once it is completed, the site will include a concrete boat ramp, a large parking area, and a good access road. Portable toilets will be provided by the county and the HFF.



This project is a collaborative effort between the HFF (which is paying for the construction of the access facility), Fremont County (which is providing the ground on which the public access point sits and future maintenance of the site), and the Idaho Department of Fish and Game (which has provided technical expertise, design work, and signs). The project is in response to dramatically increased angler use of the lower Henry's Fork, and to the accompanying challenges of assuring access to a stretch of river that flows almost entirely through private land. Although local landowners are happy to continue to provide foot access to their land, they - and Fremont County, which is in charge of enforcing a county ordinance prohibiting parking on county roads - needed a solution to the problem of dozens of parked cars all over the Vernon Bridge landscape from above the bridge to well below Nedrow's.



The new Vernon public access site will provide both wading and boating anglers with a public site at which to park. All anglers using the Vernon Bridge area - including the west bank (Nedrow's) and both banks upstream of the bridge - will be required to park at the public site and either walk to their chosen spot or launch/take out their boats there. The old boat launch will be removed, and county roads in the area are going to be posted "no parking," a rule that the county intends to enforce.

This arrangement is, of course, less convenient than the old system. It is far preferable, however, to landowners simply posting "No trespassing" signs on their property. Please work with us make the change as fast as possible, and to encourage other anglers to do the same.

2005 Election of Directors

Dear HFF Member:

It is time again for Henry's Fork Foundation members to vote for their Board of Directors. This year we have two new prospective members and three other directors finishing their first terms as board members wishing to serve for another three-year term. The bylaws of the foundation require that they be affirmed by a vote of the membership. The bylaws allow for the Board of Directors to consist of up to 21 members. Confirmation of the candidates listed below will bring the board roster to 20. A brief introduction to each candidate is provided below. Names are listed on the postcard ballot at the bottom of the page. Please mark your votes on the ballot, cut it out and mail it to HFF before June 10, 2005.

We sincerely appreciate your continued support of the Henry's Fork Foundation.

—Ann P. Murray, Governance Committee Chair

Steve Born


Currently a resident of Madison, Wisconsin, Steve Born recently retired as a professor of Urban and Regional Planning at the University of Wisconsin. He has dedicated countless volunteer hours to Trout Unlimited, including serving for many years as the chairman of that organization's National Resource Board. He is very familiar with coldwater fisheries and watershed management. Steve was the 1999 recipient of TU's Roy Mortensen award, given in recognition of the organization's top volunteer.

Layne Hepworth

Layne is a devoted lover of the Henry's Fork with a deep interest in the continued success of the Foundation. He and his wife, Mary, have a summer home in Island Park, where they spend all their free time. He feels that, as a

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	Henry's Fork Foundation	
2005 Ballot for Board of Directors		
Steve Born	_____ Yes	_____ No
Layne Hepworth	_____ Yes	_____ No
Bob Lamm	_____ Yes	_____ No
Mike Gibbons	_____ Yes	_____ No
Whit Fosburgh	_____ Yes	_____ No
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resident of the Boise area, he will be able to communicate and participate during the state's legislative sessions concerning issues involving the Henry's Fork watershed. He is a financial representative with Northwestern Mutual, specializing in estate and retirement planning, business continuation agreements and employee benefits.

Bob Lamm

Bob is completing his first term on the board and is seeking a second. He is an active member of the board's stewardship and fundraising committees. Bob has a summer home in Island Park, where he is a highly sought fishing guide with the Henry's Fork Anglers. Since his appointment to the board in 2002 he has been an effective liaison with Henry's Fork outfitters and guides. Bob winters in Sedalia, Missouri, where he is a hunting guide and trains hunting dogs.

Mike Gibbons

Another board member completing a first term on the board and seeking a second is Mike Gibbons of Salt Lake City, Utah. He is the board treasurer, chair of the finance committee and a member of the stewardship committee. Mike has co-chaired two highly successful Salt Lake City receptions for the HFF. He has been an active member of the Foundation for many years, and spends his free time at his cabin on the upper Henry's Fork. He is co-owner of Gibbons Realty in Salt Lake.

Whit Fosburgh

Whit Fosburgh is also completing his first term as a board member and is seeking re-election for another three years. Whit, an active member of the fundraising committee, has been instrumental in obtaining numerous grants for the HFF over the past three years. Whit is currently the vice-president for program development and director of the Coldwater Conservation Fund at Trout Unlimited in Arlington, Virginia. He previously served as fisheries director for the National Fish & Wildlife Foundation. Whit resides in Washington, DC.

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- All Day **Silent Auction and Bucket Raffles**
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