



Volunteers Raising Salmon

Curry Anadromous Fishermen

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Fellow Chamber Members:

I'm contacting you on behalf of Curry Anadromous Fishermen (CAF), a 501c3, created to enhance the lower Rogue River Fisheries. CAF maintains and operates, with volunteer staff, the Indian Creek Hatchery in the Gold Beach/Wedderburn area. We operate under the supervision of the Oregon Dept of Fish and Wildlife Salmon and Trout Enhancement Program. Our organization is totally dependent upon fundraising/sponsorships done by CAF, as funding from outside sources seems to be nonexistent for helping perpetuate our mission.

We are contacting you to ask you to consider sponsoring or donating toward the hatchery operation. The hatchery started from nothing, to now raising 75,000 Fall Chinook Salmon Smolt being released over the past 18 years under CAF's operations and improvements.

This area has been economically crippled over the past several years of a "down" economy, subsisting primarily on out-of-town tourist traffic. In the past we've raised funds through community events like a 4th of July Fireworks booth, spaghetti feeds, and steak feeds. Even though we do these events and receive money from fishing-related people and businesses, we are looking at operating at a major funding shortfall again this year.

In an effort to increase revenues, we are organizing our 2nd annual Salmon Derby, with the plan of continuing it each year as our major fundraising event.

This year, CAF will hold this 2nd Annual Lower Rogue Salmon Derby from Sept 6th-10th. This blind-bogey style Derby will finish with an award presentation with a large selection of raffle prizes. The solicitation of raffle tickets for this wide array of donated merchandise will be the main focus of fundraising. Raffle tickets will be sold for \$1/ticket, with quantity discounts available to allow purchasers to enter many tickets toward the 24 ft by 8 ft wall display of raffle items. Appetizers and beverages, along with Wheel of Fortune games of chance will be other revenue sources.

Our thanks for your support; we appreciate your donations toward our raffle prizes. Please call and let me know how you can help support fishing in the Rogue. We've included an outline of our sponsorship reward levels for you to consider. Thanks again!

Sincerely,

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Come and join us tomorrow, Tuesday, Aug. 30th at 10am to watch/help the fish release from the Indian Creek Hatchery into the Rogue River.

