



SUMMARY OF WORLD FISH MIGRATION DAY EVENTS IN CONNECTICUT

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<http://www.worldfishmigrationday.com/events>

All fishway open houses are from 10:00 am until 3:30 pm unless otherwise noted. Look for yard signs on the day of the event.

Rainbow Dam Fishway Open House- The state's tallest fishway on the Farmington River, Windsor. A vertical slot fishway at a 59 foot high hydroelectric dam. Includes a trap, an underground window where visitors can see fish swim by, and downstream fish passage facilities. DEEP staff will be on hand to answer questions. Species could include Atlantic salmon, American shad, blueback herring, sea lamprey, American eel, sea-run trout, and many resident river species like trout and bass.

400 Rainbow Road, Windsor, CT

Harry Haakonsen Fishway Open House- A Denil fishway on the Quinnipiac River in Wallingford in the shadow of the Wilbur Cross Parkway (exit 64). Includes an underground video chamber with a camera that records images of migrating fish. Species could include American shad, gizzard shad, blueback herring, sea lamprey, American eel, and many resident river species like white suckers, trout, and bass. DEEP staff will be on hand to answer questions.

367 Quinnipiac Ave., Wallingford, CT

StanChem Fishway Open House- A Denil fishway on the Mattabesset River in Berlin. Includes an underground viewing window where visitors can watch migrating fish swim past. Species could include American shad, gizzard shad, blueback herring, sea lamprey, American eel, and many resident river species like white suckers, trout, and bass. DEEP staff will be on hand to answer questions.

409 Berlin St., East Berlin, CT

Greenville Dam Fishlift Open House- A fish elevator on the Shetucket River in the Greenville section of Norwich. Includes a viewing window where visitors can watch migrating fish swim past. Species could include American shad, gizzard shad, blueback herring, striped bass and many resident river species like white suckers, trout, and bass. Norwich Public Utilities staff will be on hand to answer questions.

8 8th Street, Norwich, CT

Latimer Brook Fishway Open House- A steepass fishway on Latimer Brook in East Lyme. Includes a trap and an electronic fish counter. This fishway passes alewife and sea-run trout. DEEP staff will be on hand to explain the operation of the fishway and the sea-run trout program.

100 Boston Post Road, East Lyme, CT (best for GPS since the fishway has no fixed address) but the actual site is about ¼ mile east of the intersection of Rt. 161 and Rt. 1 (Flanders) on Rt. 1 (Boston Post Road).

Mianus Pond Fishway Open House- A steepass fishway at the head-of-tide on the Mianus River in the Cos Cob section of Greenwich. Includes a walkway along the fishway, an electronic fish counter, an underwater video camera, and an eel pass. Staff from the Greenwich Conservation Commission will be on hand to explain the fishway. **This open house will run from 2:00 to 4:00 pm.**

848 East Putnam Ave. Cos Cob, CT

Branford- A steepass fishway on Queach Brook, a tributary to the Branford River. Includes a beautiful stone walkway all along the fishway compliments of the world famous Stony Creek quarries, an electronic fish counter, eel nets, and a Town park. Alewives are the main target fish. Folks from the Branford Land Trust will be there to show visitors around.

1 Stonegate Dr. Branford, CT (best for GPS). But parking is across the street along Short Rocks Road.

Connecticut River Floatilla- Old Lyme, CT- A family-friendly group paddling event that will draw attention to World Fish Migration Day while exploring the estuary of the Connecticut River, which is critical habitat to many migratory fish species. Bring your kayak or canoe to Smith Neck Road Boat Launch (1.8 miles south of I-95 exit 70 on Rt. 156) at 9 am and launch and paddle with the group, which will include restoration specialists such as engineers and DEEP biologists. This is sponsored by Princeton Hydro, the Connecticut River Watershed Council, and other conservation groups. If you wish to attend, email Laura Wildman at lwildman@princetonhydro.com with the title WFMD Floatilla to let her know how many people in your party will be attending. For more information- <http://www.worldfishmigrationday.com/events/917/connecticut-river-floatilla>

