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Fishway, River - State	Data as of:	American Shad	Alewife	Blueback Herring	Atlantic Salmon	American Eel	Sea Lamprey	Striped Bass	Gizzard Shad	Shortnose Sturgeon	Other/ comment
Rogers Lake-CT	5/18		2,694								Mary Stuebe passed
Mary Steube, Mill-CT	5/18		6,166								
Mill Pond, Falls -CT	5/18		846								
Moulson Pond, Eightmile-CT	5/1		90				8				
Leesville, Salmon-CT	open										
StanChem, Mattabesset-CT	open										
*Rainbow, Farmington-CT	not operated										not operated
W. Springfield, Westfield-MA	open										
Holyoke, Connecticut-MA	5/11	167,511	0	24	0	0	502	9	2	0	opened 4/9
Easthampton, Manhan-MA	open										
Turners Falls-Gatehouse, Connecticut-MA	5/17	3,867					1				
Vernon, Connecticut-VT	5/6	13									
Bellows Falls, Connecticut-VT	opened 5/12	0									
<i>Total to basin, only first barrier counts</i>		167,511	0	24	0	0	502	9	2	0	
<i>Last year totals</i>		324,172	16,784	1,925	1	**6481	17,170	518	83	18	

* CTDEEP will not operate the Rainbow Fish Ladder due its documented poor performance and the lack of suitable downstream fish passage protection measures at the Stanley Works owned dam/project. Fish passage at this project has been the responsibility of the CTDEEP, due to FERC legal rulings.

** total collected from 4 eel ramp/traps at Holyoke in 2025

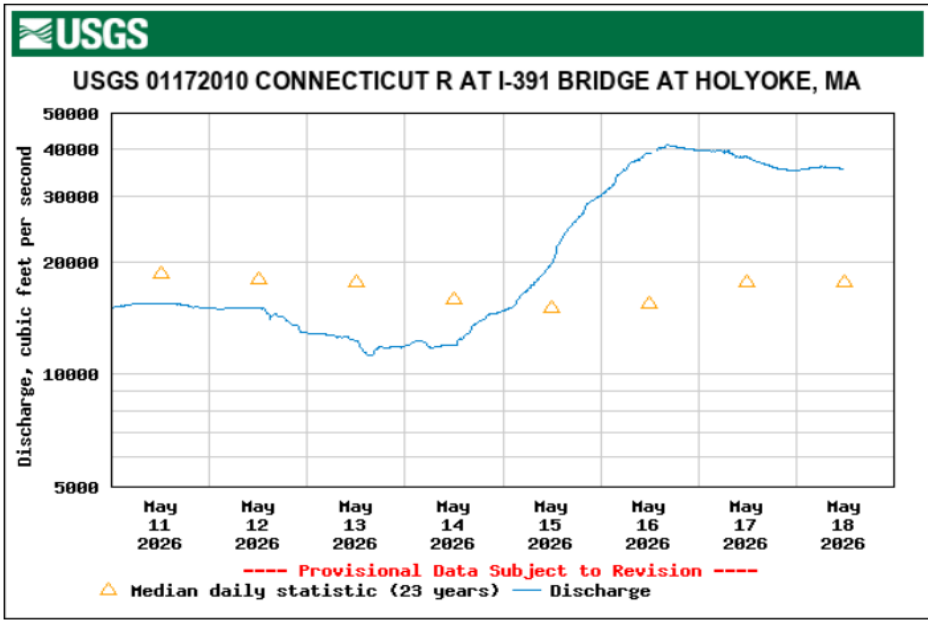
Bellow Falls lift is up and running. Water temperatures (reported at the Thompsonville gauges) hover at ~14C (57F). Main stem river discharge (~36,000 cfs on May 18 at Holyoke Gas and Electric) is above average (~20,000 cfs, averaged over the past 23 years). At CT DEEP, Kevin Job reports blueback herring have arrived in good numbers "with some runs packed to levels not seen by any of us here since the early 1990's". Tim Warren and our SCA interns were only able to electrofish at Wethersfield Cove last week as tending the staked pound net required several days effort. We hope to return to our normal schedule and fish the Farmington, Chicopee, and Westfield this week. Last Tuesday, 175 blueback were collected from the net and handed off to the North Attleboro hatchery people.



Blueback for the pilot hatchery program
(photo taken by Tim Warren)



SCA interns, Anneka (l) and Erik (r) working up blueback at Wethersfield Cove
(photo taken by Tim Warren)



Main stem river discharge, 5/11 to 5/18 at Holyoke, MA.