# Clifton Court Forebay Predatory Fish Relocation Study

#### **Project Description:**

This project will implement a two year Predatory Fish Relocation Study (PFRS) within the boundaries of Clifton Court Forebay (CCF). This study will remove and relocate predatory fish such as Striped Bass, Black Bass, Channel Catfish, and White Catfish to Bethany Reservoir by employing commercial fishing methods. Fishing methods that will be used include the following:

- 1. Beach sein
- 2. Fyke trap
- 3. Kodiak trawl
- 4. Hoop traps
- 5. Lampara net.

#### Project Purpose:

This study is an important part of the Department's compliance with the 2009 National Marine Fisheries Services Biological Opinion which requires DWR to implement reasonable and prudent alternatives to reduce predation of ESA listed fish species within the CCF and develop predator control methods. This will be done concurrently with three other interim measures focused on increasing survival of ESA listed species across the CCF.

### Project Schedule:

January 2019 - June 2019	Implement Year One Study (6-months)
February 2020.	Summary Report Year One
October 2019 - June 2020	Implement Year Two Study (9-months)
February 2021	Summary Report Year Two

# Studies Supporting Predatory Fish Relocation Study:

Skinner Evaluations and Improvements Study (SEIS)

## **Project Cost:**

\$8.9 Million

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