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COMMISSIONERS ANNOUNCE DETAILS, REGULATIONS AND LICENSING REQUIREMENTS FOR 2015 OPENING DAY OF TROUT SEASON

(3-26-2015/Beaver, PA) Today the Beaver County Commissioners have announced arrangements and requirements for the opening day of Trout Season on Saturday, April 18, 2015 at Bradys Run Park Lake and Brush Creek Park.

"The participation of Beaver County residents in opening day trout fishing has always been an enjoyable, family-friendly event. 2015 will continue that tradition," commented County Commission Chairman Tony Amadio.

"This year's activity schedule will allow individuals and families to set-up campsites around Bradys Run Park Lake beginning at 3 pm on Thursday, April 16. Since overnight camping is only permitted on opening weekend, this offers another special opportunity for Beaver County residents to use our beautiful park and lake property," stated County Commissioner Dennis Nichols.

"Each Spring, Trout Season Opening Day is one of our earliest outdoor activities in the County. There is literally 'something for everybody' in Beaver County. I urge all our residents to enjoy fishing and the other great activities provided through our recreation and tourism department," said County Commissioner Joe Spanik.

The Beaver County Sheriff's Department is tasked with patrolling the park prior to and throughout the season. Officers will be able to assist fishermen with questions that may arise and are obligated to enforce the following rules and regulations:

Notice of Important Rules - 2015 Trout Season in Beaver County Bradys Run Park Lake

- 1. Campsites may be set up as early as 3pm on Thursday. April 16, 2015 and must be vacated no later than sundown on Sunday, April 19, 2015.
- 2. Overnight camping (around the lake only) is only permitted on opening weekend of Trout Season (Thursday-Saturday, April 16, 17 and 18).
- 3. Parking is permitted ONLY in designated parking areas and lots. No parking is permitted along the handicap roadway around the lake. This roadway will only be available for dropping off and picking up handicapped or disabled fishermen. Signage must be obeyed.
- 4. No fishing is permitted in the swimming area of the adjacent beach.
- 5. Walk-in fishing is only permitted behind the Ice Arena.
- 6. Overnight camping and/or fires in front or behind the Ice Arena are prohibited.
- 7. Parking is permitted in the main public lot only. Parking behind or beside the Ice Arena is prohibited.
- 8. Campfires are only permitted in designated areas along the lake or stream and MUST be contained in a fire ring or with an alternative containment device. Campfires are not permitted near roadways, in parking lots or in the handicap fishing area. The cutting of live trees for firewood is strictly prohibited. The burning of wooden pallets or the use of any type of

incendiary device(s) to start fires are strictly prohibited.

- 9. Fishing licenses are required for persons 16 years of age or older. Younger residents are not required to be licensed to enjoy the fishing experience. It is recommended that those under the age of 16 be accompanied by a responsible adult. Fishing licenses are available through the Beaver County Treasurers Office (724-770-4540) or through many community retail establishments.
- 10. All Park visitors are reminded to follow the carry-in and carry-out rule for their trash and disposable items.
- 11. Attendees are reminded that all fishing and park venues are family-friendly sites. We respectfully request all visitors to behave appropriately to assure that the park and fishing experiences are also enjoyable for young children who may be in attendance.

Brush Creek Park

1. Brush Creek Parking will open from 5am until sunset on Saturday, April 18 for fishing only. Camping and campfires are NOT permitted at Brush Creek Park.

More information on the Parks and Recreation offerings at Bradys Run can be found at www.beavercountypa.gov/parks-recreation-bradys-run-park.