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**Pilgrim Lake Fish Ladder ATM – Art. 23
OCF – April 20, 2023**

Pilgrim Lake Fish Ladder



- **Constructed in the 1930's**

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- **Neighbors tentatively in favor. Want to be involved in process.**

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- **Approx. 20 to 30,000 herring use the ladder per year.**

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- **Up to 60,000 American eels use the ladder per year.**

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- **Failing walls**

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- **Failing notched weirs**

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- **Increased drought conditions / lower water levels**
- **Increased predation by gulls, raccoons, otters, etc.**

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- **1930's technology with current low water levels**
- **We're pushing the limits**
- **Rationing every drop coming from Pilgrim Lake**

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- **\$1.6 million / const. cost estimate**
- **Verbal NRCS \$1.2 million Grant**
- **We need 25% const. / \$400k plus permitting**
- **Article ask - \$450k**
- **NRCS highly encouraging us to act. This much money may not be available in the future.**

THANK YOU!!!

