

RESERVOIR FISHERIES HABITAT PARTNERSHIP
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The focus of the Reservoir Fisheries Habitat Partnership's (RFHP) activities over the past year has been partner expansion. To date, RFHP has 44 angling /conservation group members and three corporate sponsors. RFHP and the Friends of Reservoirs (FOR) Foundation held its first workshop for members at its Annual Meeting at the Texas Freshwater Fisheries Center in Athens Texas in November 2014. More than 75 lay partners and professionals attended the workshop which focused on Best Management Practices for reservoir habitat restoration and highlighted member projects. Another workshop is planned for the 2015 meeting in Ogden, UT in early November, 2015.

Five projects received funding in 2015: a streambank stabilization effort in IL, a shoreline restoration project in MO, a native vegetation restoration effort in VA, and brush and artificial structure projects in KY and PA. RFHP currently is in the final year of a 3-year MSCG aimed at expanding outreach efforts and compiling reservoir habitat restoration BMPs and providing a searchable, web-based catalogue of BMPs.