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WASHINGTON--U.S. Sen. Robert C. Byrd (D-W.Va.) today said that nearly 400,000 trout have been allocated to state-managed West Virginia waters this year by the Bowden National Fish Hatchery in Randolph County.

Byrd, who secured the hatchery for West Virginia, said "the stocking actually began in January for winter fishermen, and fish will be planted throughout the spring and early summer to maintain good fishing.

"The trout range from one-quarter to one-half pound in size," Byrd said.

Byrd said "the Bowden trout are in addition to the 150,000 catchable size trout allocated from the White Sulphur Springs and Leetown National Fish Hatcheries in West Virginia."