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Dear Municipal Clerk:

Please see the attached NJDEP Press Release concerning the start of the fall trout stocking season on October 7.

If you have any questions, please contact me directly.

Sincerely,

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Bob Martin, Commissioner

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### FALL TROUT STOCKING SET TO BEGIN OCTOBER 7 ACROSS NEW JERSEY

**(14/P109) TRENTON** – The Division of Fish and Wildlife will stock state waters with thousands of trout beginning Tuesday, October 7, providing anglers with some great fall fishing, Department of Environmental Protection Commissioner (DEP) Bob Martin announced today.

“Fall trout fishing is a treasured tradition that binds generations together and provides anglers and families with opportunities to enjoy being in the beauty of our great outdoors,” Commissioner Martin said. “We are committed to continuing this important tradition in the Garden State.”

In all, 25,000 fish will be stocked. Yearling brown and rainbow trout averaging 7 to 9 inches in length will be stocked in 17 streams and 14 lakes and ponds statewide. In addition to the yearling trout, up to 500 brood stock rainbow trout will also be stocked.

These brood stock fish, averaging 18 to 24 inches, will be stocked in lakes and ponds during the second week of stocking, with each water body receiving more than 30 of these trophy-sized fish.

Waters stocked during the first week of fall stocking are the 17 large streams and rivers in northern and coastal areas, such as the Big Flatbrook, Pequest River, South Branch Raritan River, Musconetcong River, and the Manasquan and Toms Rivers. During the second week, 14 ponds and lakes in the central and southern portions of the state are stocked.

All fall-stocked waters may be fished as soon as they are stocked, as there are no closed waters during fall stocking. It is important to note that there is a 9-inch minimum size limit on trout in New Jersey, so anglers must immediately release fish caught smaller than the minimum size.

“Fall trout fishing in New Jersey is exceptional,” Division of Fish and Wildlife Director David Chanda said. “Spectacular scenery, cool water, and great weather combine to make what many anglers consider to be the best time of the year for trout fishing in the Garden State. I encourage anyone who has not given the fall trout season a try to head out to their favorite waterway this year and see what it’s all about.”

The complete list of fall-stocked waters and the stocking schedule is available at <http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/flstk14.htm>

or through the Trout Stocking Hotline at 609-633-6765. Updates to the fall stocking program will be posted as necessary.

A wealth of information about trout fishing in New Jersey, including regulations, fishing access points and trout fishing facts can be found at:  
<http://www.njfishandwildlife.com/trinfo.htm>

**Media interested in doing stories about stocking in their local coverage areas may contact the numbers above.**

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