

Table 4-54. Criteria for selecting fish species for mitigation alternatives

Candidate species	Commercial value		Recreational value		Ecological value	Endangered species	Culture feasibility
	Existing	Potential	Existing	Potential			
ANADROMOUS SPECIES							
Striped bass	None	Low	Low	High	Unknown	No	Local hatcheries in production; value of SRP hatchery would be minimal but rearing ponds are feasible.
Blueback herring	None	Medium	Low	Medium	High	No	No local hatcheries exist; SRP hatchery is feasible.
American shad	Medium	High	Low	High	High	No	No local hatchery exists; SRP hatchery is feasible.
Atlantic sturgeon	Low	Medium	Low	Medium	Unknown	No	Local hatchery is developing techniques; SRP hatchery not feasible nor practical.
Shortnose sturgeon	None	Medium	None	Low	Unknown	Yes	Local hatchery is developing techniques; SRP hatchery is not feasible nor practical.
RESIDENT SPECIES							
Channel catfish	Low	Low	High	High	High	No	Local hatcheries in production; stock could be purchased.

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Candidate species	Commercial value		Recreational value		Ecological value	Endangered species	Culture feasibility
	Existing	Potential	Existing	Potential			
Largemouth bass	None	None	High	High	High	No	Local hatcheries in production; stock could be purchased.
Sunfish (reardear and bluegill)	None	None	High	High	High	No	Local hatcheries in production; stock could be purchased.