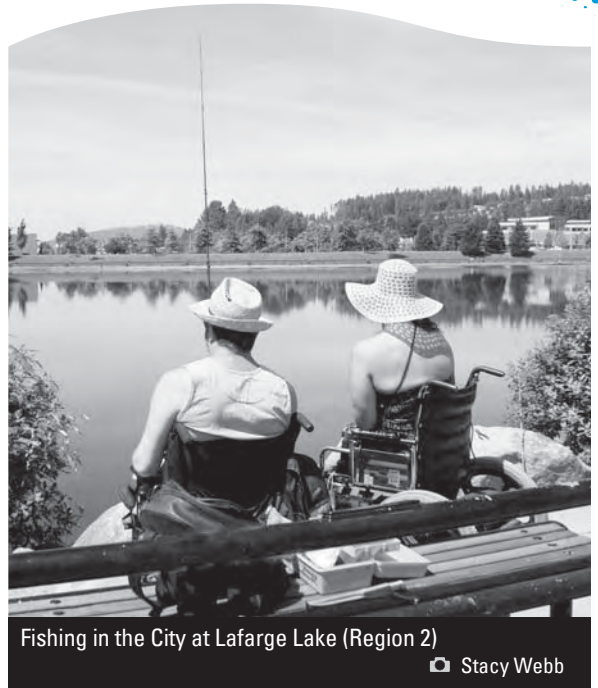


Want to fish but don't have the time? The Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC, Ministry of Environment, and municipal and regional district partners are working to address that problem. By enhancing catchable trout stocking programs, developing fishing piers, improving shore fishing access, and providing Learn to Fish programs for youth on urban lakes, we are making it easier for busy city dwellers to experience fishing. The 2008 Fishing in the City pilot program at Lafarge, Como, Rice and Green Timbers lakes was a great success, with thousands of residents from Coquitlam, North Vancouver and Surrey enjoying the fishing opportuni-

ties available in their local and regional parks. A large number of first time anglers experienced the joy of fishing, travelling on average only 10 minutes to reach their local urban fishing lake. Fishing participation rates exceeded expectations, ensuring Fishing in the City opportunities will continue to grow in the coming years.

For more information about the program, or to find an urban fishing location in the Metro Vancouver or Greater Victoria areas, visit www.gofishbc.com/fishinginthecity. Also keep your eyes open for signs indicating a Fishing in the City opportunity at your local urban lake.



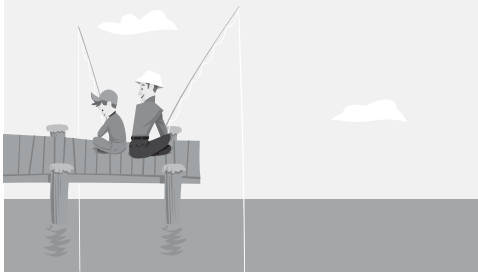
Fishing in the City at Lafarge Lake (Region 2)

Stacy Webb

This urban fishery is managed by the Ministry of Environment and stocked by the Freshwater Fisheries Society of BC.

Fishing opportunities are at their best in the spring and fall when the lake is frequently stocked with catchable-sized rainbow trout.

The lake is not stocked during July and August when high surface water temperatures significantly reduce fish survival.



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