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## **Army Corps of Engineers Hosting Conneaut Creek Sea Lamprey Barrier Public Information Session**

**ALBION, Pa.** — The U.S. Army Corps of Engineers is hosting a public information session on May 30, 2024 for area residents and stakeholders to learn more about the recommended plan to create a barrier against the invasive sea lamprey in Conneaut Creek in Albion.

The barrier is designed to prevent or significantly reduce the numbers of sea lamprey from reaching nearly 50 river miles of Conneaut Creek where they currently reproduce and mature before returning to Lake Erie, reduce the need to use lampricide in the water, and maintain or improve the stream habitat for native fish.

**Who:** Representatives from: USACE Buffalo District, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service, Great Lakes Fishery Commission, Pennsylvania Fish and Boat Commission, Pennsylvania Department of Environmental Conservation, Ohio Department of Natural Resources, Sea Grant Pennsylvania

**What:** **Public information session** – poster board presentation and conversations between the public, subject matter experts, and project stakeholders

**When:** **Thursday, May 30, 2024 from 5:30-7 p.m.**

**Where:** Northwestern High School cafeteria  
200 Harthan Way, Albion, PA 16401  
<https://maps.app.goo.gl/xcc1LZzZ35z2V7HMA>



*Sea lamprey*

About sea lamprey: Sea lampreys are primitive fish that feed on the body fluids of other fish. Native to the Atlantic Ocean, these parasitic fish entered the Great Lakes through man-made shipping canals and quickly colonized the entire Great Lakes. Sea lampreys are an incredibly destructive invasive species, capable of killing up to 40 pounds of fish every year.

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About this project: This project is being executed under the Corps of Engineers' Great Lakes Fishery Ecosystem Restoration program and is cost-shared between the U.S. Army Corps of Engineers and Great Lakes Fishery Commission. The Great Lakes Restoration Initiative provides the federal funding. The study is investigating the feasibility of implementing a permanent sea lamprey control barrier in Conneaut Creek, Pennsylvania.

More information on the GLFER program can be found here: <https://www.lrd.usace.army.mil/Home/Great-Lakes-Fishery-Ecosystem-Restoration-Program/>

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