

# McLeod River Restoration Project



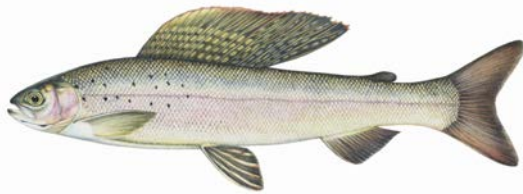
**Bull Trout**

- No black markings on dorsal fin
- Pale yellow to red spots in sides



**Mountain Whitefish**

- Slivery or blue sheen
- No black spots on sides



**Artic Grayling**

- Large dorsal fin
- Silver sheen, with some black spots

The McLeod River Restoration Project involved the enhancement of fish habitat in four side-channels of the McLeod River. Three sites located upstream of the Hamlet of Cadomin and the 4th is located downstream. The enhancement work improved side channels to maintain continuous flow; the addition of boulders and vegetation clumps to increase in-stream cover, and the construction of a pond to enhance over-wintering habitat.

These sites were selected to optimize fisheries habitat while at the same time minimizing potential risk of future flood damage and avoiding adverse impacts to local users and existing wildlife habitat.

The McLeod River Rehabilitation Project was designed to be a collaborative effort between many partners for an overall benefit to our coldwater resources.

This project essentially reversed past actions while maintaining aquatic diversity and protecting sensitive habitat. It also provides tangible result for the conservation of Alberta's freshwater resources.

The McLeod River has historically held many species of sportfish, including those pictured here.



**Rainbow Trout**

- Small black spots over most its body
- Adults may have pink band down sides



**Brook Trout**

- Worm-like markings on back
- Black markings on fins and tail

## Partners:



*Conserving Alberta's Wild Side*



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