

ODFW Sells excess Boats, Trailers, Motors on eBay

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Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife is selling the first of seven custom-made boats this week on eBay, an online auction and shopping website.

The minimum bid is \$20,000. Funds raised will help cover continued costs of the Diamond Lake project, including water quality monitoring, fish stocking, and education materials.

Pictures of the boats will be posted weekly over the next two months at the following link: [ODFW Weekly Boat Listings](#)

The first boat auction began Wednesday, Dec. 27 at 10:00 a.m. and can be viewed at this link: [2007 "Bare Deck" Work Boat & Trailer](#)

The boats were custom made to carry heavy loads of rotenone and used for just a few hours during the Sept. 2006 rotenone treatment of Diamond Lake. They are 2007 model 10' x 24' heavy-duty aluminum pontoon work boat by Hydrotech Manufacturing of Medford. The outboard motors are 2006 Mercury 90 horsepower 4-stroke ELEPT with electronic fuel injection, power trim/tilt and a 14' x 11' 3B AL prop. The trailers are a dual-axle and all steel construction custom manufactured for Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) by TDF Services in White City, Ore.

The boats have a maximum capacity of 20 people, a maximum speed of 24 mph, navigational lights and a powder-coated aluminum console.

ODFW originally paid \$23,800 for each of these boats that were designed for and used to safely apply rotenone, an effective pesticide derived from plant roots that successfully removed an estimated 98 million invasive tui chub from Diamond Lake.

The eBay auction for ODFW's first boat, motor, & trailer began on Wednesday. The boat is available for viewing during business hours at ODFW's Roseburg office, 4192 N. Umpqua Hwy, and photos are available on the ODFW website. For more information, regarding the boats or to schedule a viewing, contact Umpqua Watershed Manager David Loomis at 541-440-3353 ext. 224, or Diamond Lake Restoration Project Biologist Mari Brick at 541-440-3353 ext. 234.

For more information regarding the purchasing process, contact Bob LaDuke with Department of Administrative Services Surplus Property at (971) 218-0700.

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