

New Offices for Division of Fish and Wildlife

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The New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife recently opened its new Central Regional Office in Upper Freehold Township. Bradley Campbell, New Jersey's Commissioner of the Department of Fish and Wildlife, officiated at the ribbon cutting ceremony.

Constructed by Scozzari Builders, Inc., Trenton, the 22,000 square foot building, contains offices, classrooms, warehouse and storage space, a secure area, and restrooms. "The building sits gracefully on a broad, grassy open field," said Nick Scozzari, Vice President of Scozzari Builders, Inc. "To preserve the natural look of its environment, custom stonework is featured both inside and outside the structure and custom oak trussed are used in the lobby."

The New Jersey Fish and Wildlife Division has a rich heritage, dating back to 1892. At that time, a commission form of wildlife administration had been created with an appointed Fish and Game Protector. Before 1900, widespread resentment against wildlife laws resulted in the fatal shooting of the first two wardens appointed.

Today, the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife manages over 233,000 acres in the Wildlife Management System. It has reestablished the osprey, peregrine, bald eagle, wild turkey, bobcat and beaver populations; stocks over 600,000 trout in approximately 200 bodies of water and maintains the most progressive deer management program in the nation. The Division holds wildlife workshops for teachers each year and trains an estimated 18,000 future hunters and trappers in hunter education courses.

The Division of Fish and Wildlife's new Central Regional Office is located at #1 Eldridge Road in Upper Freehold Township. Hours are 9:00 am. to 4:00



p.m. Monday through Friday. For more information visit the New Jersey Division of Fish and Wildlife's web site at: www.njfishandwildlife.com.

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