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**HISTORY OF FISH HEALTH INSPECTIONS
STATE OF MICHIGAN
1970-1999**

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Abstract.—This report is an update to: Hnath, J. G., and J. Zischke. 1991. Fish Health Inspection History for Michigan State Fish Hatcheries and Wild Salmonid Stocks for the Period 1972-1991. Michigan Department of Natural Resources, Fisheries Technical Report 91-13. As such it presents a concise summary of fish health inspections performed on State of Michigan public fish hatcheries and associated feral stocks for the period of 1970-1999. The report summarizes the results chronologically, and discusses the ways in which the inspection program has been of benefit to the Great Lakes fishery. It concludes with the following. “Because of the enormous value of the Great Lakes fishery stocks, it is imperative that the State of Michigan be knowledgeable and current in its information about infectious diseases in its stocks. Therefore, a constant vigilance must be maintained on hatchery fish and associated feral stocks destined for Great Lakes and tributary plants in order to protect these resources from potentially serious disease. In order to be knowledgeable and current, both an annual fish health inspection program and fish health diagnostic services must be continued as they have been under this study.”