

August 21, 2023

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Tributaries

Tributary Weir Report: Current status as of August 15, 2023.

This section will provide operational status of the resistance board weirs run in Southwest WA. Additional information for these and other weirs will be available in the coming weeks.

Grays River Weir - located upstream of the Highway 4 bridge ~.3 miles. Installed and operating.

Elochoman River Weir - located upstream of the Foster Road bridge ~.5 miles. Installed and operating.

Coweeman River Weir – located at river mile 6.8 near the end of Allen Street in Kelso. Installed and operating.

South Fork Toutle Weir - located ~ 0.25 mile from the mouth with the NF Toutle. Installed and operating.

Green River Weir - located at the North Toutle Hatchery. Installed and operating.

Kalama River Weir - located at the Modrow Trap facility. Installed and operating.

Cedar Creek Weir – located 0.25 mile from the mouth with the NF Lewis. Installed and operating.

Washougal River Weir - located at the Fords Game Access Site. Installed and operating.

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia River, Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to Bonneville Dam – 513 salmonid boats and 176 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday's (8/19) flight count.

Mainstem Columbia River

Salmon/Steelhead:

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – 47 bank anglers kept one Chinook and released five steelhead. 4 boats/8 rods had no catch.

Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal) – 14 boats/27 rods kept one Chinook and released one Chinook.

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – Two bank anglers had no catch. 7 boats/16 rods had no catch.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – 70 bank anglers kept four Chinook. 19 boats/38 rods kept one Chinook.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – 44 bank anglers had no catch. 43 boats/96 rods kept three Chinook, one jack and released one steelhead.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 285 bank anglers kept 24 Chinook, one jack and released one steelhead. 37 boats/79 rods kept seven Chinook.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 70 boats/176 rods kept 19 Chinook, one jack and released one Chinook.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 56 bank anglers kept two Chinook, one jack and released two steelhead. 58 boats/116 rods kept one Chinook and released three steelhead.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – 14 bank anglers had no catch. 6 boats/12 rods had no catch.

Sturgeon:

Sec 8 (Longview) – 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

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Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 24 bank rods had no catch. 2 boats/2 rods kept one steelhead.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – 11 bank rods kept one steelhead and released two steelhead. 10 boats/33 rods kept 29 steelhead.

Kalama River – One bank rod had no catch.

Lewis River – Three bank rods had no catch. 6 boats/11 rods released one Chinook and one steelhead.

Wind River – No report.

Drano Lake – 20 bank rods kept two Chinook and released one Chinook and one steelhead. 93 boats/232 rods kept 51 Chinook, three jacks, one coho and released 13 Chinook, two jacks and 12 steelhead.

Klickitat River below Fisher Hill Bridge – No report.

Klickitat River above #5 Fishway – One bank rod had no catch.