

OREGON AND WASHINGTON DEPARTMENTS OF FISH AND WILDLIFE
JOINT STAFF REPORT #9
Buoy 10 Recreational Fishery
August 28, 2008

Management guidelines, allocations, and run forecasts for the 2008 fall season were presented in the Fall Fact Sheet #1 (July 22, 2008)

- Chinook retention (1 fish/day) in the Buoy 10 fishery was scheduled for August 1-September 1, with a 6,500 Chinook catch guideline. The fishery was closed to retention of Chinook at midnight August 24 because the guideline for Chinook had been exceeded. Buoy 10 remained open for coho and steelhead retention.
- Coho catch rates have increased significantly since the August 21 Joint State Hearing, particularly since August 24. August 25-27 coho catch rates averaged 0.66 coho kept per angler trip. If catch rates remain high for the remainder of the week, the weekly catch rate will be the highest seen since 2003.
- Fishing effort has been slightly higher than the recent 4-year average to date.

2008 Buoy 10 Catch and Effort					
	Date	Trips	Kept Chinook	Kept coho	Coho CPUE
	Week 31	484	2	0	0.00
	Week 32	1,027	135	0	0.00
	Week 33	6,263	2,771	356	0.06
	Week 34	15,687	5,366	2,560	0.16
	Monday	25-Aug 1,218	0	842	0.69
	Tuesday	26-Aug 1,340	0	899	0.67
	Wednesday	27-Aug 1,231	0	744	0.60
Week 35	Mon-Wed Total		3,789	0	2,485
	Thurs-Sat projected		7,300-8,800	0	3,250-5,400
	Season Total thru 8/30		8,274	8,650-10,800	0.40 - 0.60
	Sunday	31-Aug 2700-3200	0	1,200-2,000	
	Season Total thru 8/31		8,274	9,850-12,800	

- Through August 27 a total of 5,401 coho have been harvested compared to the preseason expectation of 4,000 fish. Considering recent effort and catch rates, total catch of coho through August 30 is expected to be 8,650-10,800 fish.

Joint Staff Recommendation	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Effective Sunday, August 31, close Buoy 10 to the retention of coho salmon and steelhead. 	

FUTURE MEETINGS

None scheduled.