

**Yakima River / Hanford Reach
Salmon Reports and Ringold Steelhead Reports**

October 8, 2012

Hanford Reach Fall Chinook Sport Fishery Summary: August 1 – October 7, 2012

WDFW staff interviewed 1,022 anglers from 441 boats with 501 adult Chinook and 231 jacks this past week. An estimated 1,892 adult fall Chinook and 873 jacks were harvested (1.7 chinook per boat). A total of 4,067 angler trips were made to the Hanford Reach to fish for fall Chinook this past week. All areas continue to report strong catches.

For the fishery, August 1 through October 7, an estimated 6,902 adult Chinook and 2,835 jacks have been harvested.

The current in-season run forecast for the Hanford Reach estimates the 2012 adult return at 69,000.

Yakima River Fall Salmon Fishery Summary: September 1 – October 7, 2012

Angler effort and harvest is holding steady for salmon fishing in the lower Yakima River. WDFW staff talked with 149 anglers fishing for salmon this week with 42 Chinook harvested. There were an estimated 795 angler trips for the week with 154 adult fall Chinook and 53 jacks harvested. For the season, 420 adult fall Chinook and 151 jacks have been harvested. The fishery will run through October 22.

2012 YAKIMA FALL SPORT SALMONID CREEL SUMMARY

Season	Harvest				Catch & Released	Sampled			Total Effort (pole hrs)	Sampled %
	Chinook		Coho			Steelhead	Anglers	Hours		
Week	Adult	Jacks	Adult	Jacks	Steelhead	Anglers	Hours	(pole hrs)	%	
Sept 1 - 2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	
Sept 3 - 9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0.0	0.0	0.0%	
Sept 10 - 16	50	0	0	0	0	20	46.4	489.9	9.5%	
Sept 17 - 23	16	23	0	0	0	100	226.6	1,629.1	13.9%	
Sept 24 - 30	200	74	0	0	15	85	240.1	2,221.3	10.8%	
Oct 1 - 7	154	53	0	0	0	149	378.0	2,017.3	18.7%	
Oct 8 - 14										
Oct 15 - 22										
Season	420	151	0	0	15	354	891.1	6,357.5	14.0%	

Angler Trips
0
0
211
719
786
795
2,512

Data Summary for Sept 24-30

Section	Weekday								Weekend							
	Sampled							Effort Pole Hrs	Sampled							Effort Pole Hrs
Anglers	Hours	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead	Anglers		Hours	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead		
Lower (Mouth to Horn Rapids)	9	23.9	2	1	0	0	0	211	4	8.6	0	0	0	0	0	75
Middle (Benton City to Prosser)	71	146.1	7	3	0	0	0	916	65	199.4	22	7	0	0	0	815
Upper (Granger to Parker)																
Total	80	170.0	9	4	0	0	0	1,127	69	208.0	22	7	0	0	0	890

Harvest	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead
Lower (Mouth to Horn Rapids)	16	5	0	0	0
Middle (Benton City to Prosser)	46	19	0	0	0
Upper (Granger to Parker)					
Total (Weekly)	63	24	0	0	0