

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

October 19, 2012

Hanford Reach Fall Chinook Sport Fishery Summary: August 1 – October 14, 2012

WDFW staff interviewed 659 anglers from 276 boats with 353 adult Chinook and 167 jacks this past week. An estimated 1,548 adult fall Chinook and 732 jacks were harvested (1.9 chinook per boat). A total of 2,890 anglers 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 14, an estimated 8,451 adult Chinook and 3,567 jacks have been harvested.

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

Yakima River Fall Salmon Fishery Summary: September 1 – October 14, 2012

Angler effort and harvest is holding steady for salmon fishing in the lower Yakima River. WDFW staff talked with 135 anglers fishing for salmon this week with 38 Chinook and 3 coho harvested. There were an estimated 815 angler trips for the week with 152 adult fall Chinook, 47 jacks and 15 coho harvested. For the season, 572 adult fall Chinook, 197 jacks, and 15 coho 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		
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	152	47	15	0	0	135	353.2	2,133.1	16.6%
Oct 15 - 22									
Season	572	197	15	0	15	489	1,244.3	8,490.6	14.7%

Angler Trips
0
0
211
719
786
795
815
3,327

Data Summary for Oct 8-14

Section	Weekday								Weekend							
	Sampled							Effort Pole Hrs	Sampled					Effort Pole Hrs		
	Anglers	Hours	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead	Pole Hrs	Anglers	Hours	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead	Pole Hrs
Lower (Mouth to Horn Rapids)	4	3.3	0	0	0	0	0	119	3	2.6	0	0	0	0	0	94
Middle (Benton City to Prosser)	45	116.1	8	2	1	0	0	932	83	231.2	21	7	2	0	0	987
Upper (Granger to Parker)																
Total	49	119.4	8	2	1	0	0	1,052	86	233.8	21	7	2	0	0	1,081

Harvest	Chinook	Jacks	Coho	Jacks	Steelhead
Lower (Mouth to Horn Rapids)	0	0	0	0	0
Middle (Benton City to Prosser)	63	18	7	0	0
Upper (Granger to Parker)					
Total (Weekly)	63	18	7	0	0