

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

### **Hanford Reach Fall Chinook Fishery: August 1 - October 26**

The number of anglers fishing for salmon in the Hanford Reach continues to decline as the fishery moves towards closing on October 31. An estimated 561 boats fished for salmon in the Hanford Reach this past week. WDFW staff interviewed anglers from 222 boats (551 anglers:3,250 pole hours) and 128 bank anglers (470 hours). An estimated 1,469 salmon (1,284 adult chinook, 185 jacks) were harvested. Bank fishing for salmon at the Ringold access area remains slow. The good news is that the bank anglers are catching steelhead. There were an estimated 1,569 angler trips for fall Chinook in the Tri-cities this past week.

For the fall salmon season that started August 1, there have been 44,000 angler trips harvesting 26,880 adult Chinook, 3,474 jacks, and 171 coho. This is a new record for the number of salmon harvested in the Hanford Reach eclipsing last year's numbers by over 4,000 fish (17%).