

## COLUMBIA RIVER FALL CHINOOK

### 2013 Forecast/Actual Returns and 2014 Preseason Forecasts

The forecasts shown here are estimates made in February in preparation for the North of Falcon season-setting process. Once the North of Falcon process is complete, these February forecasts will change slightly. Final forecasts will be available in mid-April.

Stock Group	2013		2014
	February Forecasts	Actual Returns	February Forecasts
Lower River Hatchery - LRH	88,000	103,200	110,000
Lower River Wild - LRW	14,200	25,800	34,200
Bonneville Pool Hatchery - BPH	38,000	86,600	115,100
Upriver Bright – URB	432,500	784,100	973,300
<i>Snake River Wild (SRW)*</i>	<i>31,600</i>	<i>32,900</i>	<i>64,600</i>
Bonneville Upriver Bright - BUB	35,200	35,600	49,500
Pool Upriver Bright - PUB	70,000	207,800	310,600
Select Area Bright - SAB	9,000	23,300	10,200
<b>Columbia River Total</b>	<b>686,900</b>	<b>1,266,400</b>	<b>1,602,900</b>

*\*Subset of URB*

#### 2014 Forecasts

- ❖ LRH – Similar to the 5-year average (95,500) and 2013 actual return.
- ❖ LRW – Largest return since 1989. More than double the 10-year average (13,600).
- ❖ BPH – About 40% greater than the 10-year average (80,700).
- ❖ URB – Nearly 1 million fish..... 😊
- ❖ BUB – About 35% greater than 10-year average (36,500).
- ❖ PUB – Record high forecasted return. Highest actual return on record was 207,800 in 2013.
- ❖ The total forecast of 1,602,900 Columbia River fall Chinook would be the largest return on record since 1938.

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