

**COLUMBIA RIVER FALL CHINOOK
2016 PRELIMINARY RETURNS AND
OUTLOOK FOR 2017**

2016 Preliminary Returns

- Adult fall Chinook returns were predicted to be 960,000 fish.
- Preliminary returns are about two-thirds of the forecast.
- Bright stock jack returns are about half of the recent 10 year average.

2017 Outlook

- Bright stocks should be similar to years prior to 2013.
- Tule stocks should be similar to the recent 10 year average.
- Poor ocean conditions along the Oregon and Washington coasts could potentially have negative impacts on tule fall Chinook and Coho returns.

Columbia River Coho

- 2016 preliminary return is much less than predicted.
- Jack returns to the Columbia River are up some from last year, but lower than the previous two years.

Tule Stocks

LRH – Lower River Hatchery stock

BPH – Bonneville Pool Hatchery stock

Bright Stocks

URB – Upriver Bright stock

PUB – Pool Upriver Bright stock

BUB – Bonneville Bright stock

LRW – Lower River Wild stock

SAB – Select Area Bright stock

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