Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary:

Salmon/Steelhead:

- McNary Dam upstream to Hwy. 395 Bridge in Pasco, WA: Effective January 1 through March 31, 2020: Closed to angling for and retention of steelhead.

- Hwy. 395 Bridge in Pasco, WA upstream to Old Hanford townsite powerline crossing: Effective January 1 through April 15, 2020: Closed to angling for and retention of steelhead.

Salmon/Steelhead:

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- There are no emergency rules at this time.

Sturgeon:

- January 1, 2020, from the mouth of the Columbia River upstream to Bonneville Dam including adjacent tributaries — White Sturgeon open for catch-and-release fishing only. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

- January 1, 2020, from Bonneville Dam upstream to The Dalles Dam including adjacent tributaries — White Sturgeon open for retention fishing until further notice. Minimum size 38” fork length, maximum size 54” fork length. Daily limit 1. Catch-and-release allowed when closed to retention.

- January 1, 2020, from The Dalles Dam upstream to McNary Dam including adjacent tributaries — White Sturgeon open for retention fishing until annual quota is met. Minimum size 43” fork length, maximum size 54” fork length. Daily limit 1. Catch-and-release allowed when closed to retention.
Fishery Reports:

Salmon/Steelhead:

John Day Pool – 15 bank anglers released 15 steelhead. 1 boat/1 rod had no catch.

Sturgeon:

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Data through 01/06/20
Estimates are preliminary and subject to change

Walleye:

Bonneville Pool – 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

The Dalles Pool – 2 boats/3 rods released two walleye.

John Day Pool – 1 bank angler had no catch. 6 boats/12 rods kept 13 walleye.

Bass:

John Day Pool – 1 boat/3 rods kept six bass.

Salmon/Steelhead:

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Grays River – 2 bank anglers had no catch.

Elochoman River – 22 bank anglers kept 12 steelhead. 3 boats/4 rods kept one steelhead and released one steelhead and one coho.

Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream – 9 bank rods had no catch.

Above the I-5 Br – 11 bank rods had no catch. 1 boat/3 rods had no catch.