January 22, 2020

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.
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Salmon/Steelhead:

**John Day Pool** – 4 bank anglers released two steelhead.

Sturgeon:

**Bonneville Pool** – Two bank anglers had no catch. 20 boats/59 rods kept six legal sturgeon and released 87 sublegal and one oversize sturgeon.

**The Dalles Pool** – Seven bank anglers released one sublegal sturgeon. 10 boats/25 rods kept four legal sturgeon and released 12 sublegal sturgeon.

**John Day Pool** – 20 bank anglers had no catch. 14 boats/31 rods released one sublegal sturgeon.

Walleye:

**Bonneville Pool** – 1 boat/1 rod had no catch.

**The Dalles Pool** – 1 bank angler had no catch.

**John Day Pool** – 1 bank angler had no catch. 2 boats/3 rods kept three walleye.

Bass:

**John Day Pool** – One bank angler had no catch.

Salmon/Steelhead:

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**Grays River** – Two bank anglers had no catch.

**Elochoman River** – 39 bank anglers kept 20 steelhead. 1 boat/2 rods kept two steelhead.

**Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream** – One bank angler had no catch.

**Above the I-5 Br** – Six bank anglers had no catch.

❖ **Tributaries not listed:** Creel checks not conducted.