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Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

**Columbia River Mainstem**

**Salmon/Steelhead:**

*Buoy 10 upstream to the I-5 Bridge:* Effective through March 31, 2021: Daily limit 6. Up to 2 adult salmon or 2 hatchery steelhead or 1 of each may be retained. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

*I-5 Bridge upstream to The Dalles Dam:* Effective through March 31, 2021: Daily limit 2 hatchery steelhead. Release all salmon and wild steelhead.

*The Dalles Dam upstream to Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco:* Effective through March 31, 2021: Daily limit 1 hatchery steelhead. Release all salmon and wild steelhead.

**Sturgeon:**

*Columbia River, from Buoy 10 upstream to John Day Dam including adjacent tributaries:* Catch and release fishing only. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

*Columbia River, John Day Dam upstream to McNary Dam:* White Sturgeon open for retention fishing until annual quota is met. Minimum size 43” fork length, maximum size 54” fork length. Daily limit 1, annual limit 2 fish. Catch and release allowed when closed to retention. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

**Fishery Reports:**

*Lower Columbia mainstem from Bonneville to Astoria –* 21 salmonid boats and 28 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday’s (2/20) effort count.

**Mainstem Columbia River**

**Salmon/Steelhead:**

*Sec 4 (Vancouver)* – One bank angler had no catch.

*Sec 5 (Woodland)* – Nine bank anglers had no catch.

*Sec 8 (Longview)* – Four bank anglers had no catch.

*The Dalles Pool* – 1 boat/1 rod released one steelhead.
**Sturgeon:**

*John Day Pool* – Three bank anglers had no catch. 5 boats/17 rods had no catch.

**Walleye:**

*The Dalles Pool* – Two bank anglers kept two walleye. 3 boats/9 rods had no catch.

*John Day Pool* – 14 boats/38 rods kept 47 walleye and released five walleye.

**Columbia River Tributaries**

**Salmon/Steelhead:**

*Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream* – 108 bank rods kept five steelhead. 5 boats/8 rods kept one steelhead.

*Above the I-5 Br* – 32 bank rods kept four steelhead and released two steelhead. 69 boats/224 rods kept 79 steelhead, two cutthroat and released five steelhead.

*Kalama River* – 2 boats/5 rods had no catch.