

May 3, 2021

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Mainstem

Salmon/Steelhead:

Bonneville Dam upstream to The Dalles Dam:

Effective through May 5, 2021: Daily limit 6, no more than 2 adults may be retained of which no more than 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

The Dalles Dam upstream to the Washington/Oregon border:

Effective through May 5, 2021: Daily limit 6, no more than 2 adults may be retained of which no more than 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

Sturgeon:

Columbia River, from Buoy 10 upstream to the Wauna Powerlines, near Cathlamet, WA:

Effective only Monday, Wednesday and Saturday, May 10 - June 5, 2021: Daily limit 1, annual limit 2.

Retained fish must measure between 44-inches and 50-inches fork length.

On days open to retention, this fishery closes to all sturgeon fishing after 2pm, including catch and release fishing. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

All other dates: Catch and release fishing only. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Cispus River: Effective until further notice: Closed to salmon fishing.

Cowlitz River: Effective until further notice: Closed to salmon fishing. Effective March 5, the fishing boundary markers will be moved downstream to 400 feet below the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery ladder at the Barrier Dam.

Lake Scanewa: Effective until further notice: Closed to salmon fishing.

Salmon Creek: Effective through May 28, 2021, From the mouth to the 182nd Avenue Bridge: steelhead daily limit 3. Selective gear rules, except barbed hooks are allowed.

Wind River: Effective until further notice, from the mouth to 800 yards downstream of Carson National Fish Hatchery: angling for salmon is closed.

Drano Lake: Effective through May 4, 2021, in the waters downstream of markers on point of land downstream and across from Little White Salmon National Fish hatchery and upstream of Highway 14 Bridge; salmon and steelhead: Daily limit 2, no more than 1 may be an adult salmon. Only hatchery Chinook and hatchery steelhead may be retained.

Beginning May 5, 2021 until further notice, salmon and steelhead fishing is closed in Drano Lake.

Klickitat River: Effective April 1, 2021 until further notice, from the mouth to Fisher Hill Bridge: the adult salmon daily limit is one fish. Effective May 29, 2021 until further notice, from 400 feet upstream from #5 fishway to boundary markers below Klickitat Salmon hatchery: the daily salmon limit is 6 fish, of which only 1 may be an adult.

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Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream – 63 bank rods had no catch. 2 boats/3 rods released one Chinook, one steelhead and one cutthroat.

Above the I-5 Br – 11 bank rods kept one steelhead and released three Chinook. 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

Kalama River – 46 bank rods kept one Chinook. 25 boats/59 rods kept 10 Chinook, two jacks and released three Chinook.

Lewis River – 58 bank rods released one cutthroat. 28 boats/55 rods kept 13 Chinook, three jacks and released three Chinook.

Drano Lake – 27 bank rods had no catch. 309 boats/870 rods kept 313 Chinook and released 17 Chinook.

Klickitat River – Six bank rods had no catch.