

October 15, 2024

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia River, Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to Bonneville Dam – 291 salmonid boats and 41 Washington bank rods were tallied during the flight count 10/12.

Mainstem Columbia River

Salmon/Steelhead:

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – 82 bank anglers kept eight Chinook, three Chinook jacks, five coho and released one Chinook jack. 31 boats/77 rods kept 46 Chinook, 10 Chinook jacks, eight coho and two coho jacks.

Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal) – Two bank anglers had no catch. 50 boats/89 rods kept 10 Chinook, four Chinook jacks, six coho, one coho jack, released three Chinook jacks and one coho.

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – No bank effort reported. 9 boats/19 rods kept two Chinook and released two Chinook.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – Five bank anglers had no catch. 33 boats/68 rods kept 13 Chinook, one Chinook jack, seven coho, three coho jacks, released two Chinook jacks and three coho.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – No bank effort reported. 40 boats/89 rods kept six Chinook, two Chinook jacks, 10 coho, five coho jacks and released two coho jacks.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 27 bank anglers had no catch. 13 boats/35 rods kept seven Chinook and five coho.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – No bank effort reported. 1 boat/1 rod kept one coho.

Sec 8 (Longview) – Two bank anglers had no catch. 5 boats/9 rods kept one Chinook and released one coho.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – No bank effort reported. 4 boats/7 rods had no catch.

Sec 10 (Cathlamet) – No report.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 80 bank rods kept four coho, three coho jack, released three coho and two coho jacks. 9 boats/16 rods kept five coho, released one Chinook and two coho.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – 49 bank rods kept one steelhead and released eight Chinook. 1 boat/2 rods released one Chinook.

Kalama River – Six bank rods had no catch. No boat effort reported.

Lewis River – 13 bank rods kept eight coho. 5 boats/8 rods kept one coho and released one coho.

Wind River – One bank rod had no catch. 27 boats/62 rods kept 13 Chinook, 31 coho, released three Chinook and three coho.

Drano Lake – 35 bank rods kept one coho, one steelhead, released six coho and three steelhead. 76 boats/204 rods kept 42 Chinook, nine Chinook jacks, 61 coho, one coho jack, six steelhead, released 29 Chinook, 10 coho and seven steelhead.

Klickitat River below Fisher Hill Bridge – 62 bank rods kept three Chinook, two Chinook jacks, two coho and one coho jack. 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

Klickitat River above #5 Fishway – 11 bank rods kept one Chinook and released one steelhead. 1 boat/3 rods kept one Chinook and one steelhead.

Tributary Weir Report:

This section provides operational status of resistance-board weirs in Southwest Washington.

Grays River Weir - located upstream of Highway 4 bridge ~.3 miles. Removal on Oct. 17.

Elochoman River Weir - located upstream of Foster Road bridge ~.5 miles. Removal on Oct. 31, pending coho returns to Beaver Creek Hatchery.

Coweeman River Weir – located at river mile 6.8 near end of Allen Street in Kelso. Removal on Oct. 21.

South Fork Toutle Weir - located ~ 0.25 mile from mouth with NF Toutle. Removal on Oct. 28.

Green River Weir - located at the North Toutle Hatchery. Removal in November (TBD).

Kalama River Weir - located at the Modrow Trap facility. Removal on Oct. 14.

Cedar Creek Weir – located 0.25 mile from the mouth with the NF Lewis. Removal on Oct. 21.

Washougal River Weir - located at the Fords Game Access Site. Removal on Oct. 24 & 25.

Elochoman Sill Weir - located at Beaver Creek Hatchery. Removal in December (TBD).