

August 31, 2021

## Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

### Updates: Mainstem and tributary

#### *Columbia River Mainstem*

##### Sturgeon:

**Columbia River, Buoy 10 upstream to the Wauna Powerlines near Cathlamet WA including adjacent tributaries:**

Catch and release fishing only. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

**Columbia River, from Wauna Powerlines near Cathlamet WA upstream to Bonneville Dam including the Cowlitz River:**

Effective Saturdays, September 11 and September 18, 2021 only: Daily limit 1, annual limit 2.

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

Reminder to anglers: Fork length is measured in a straight line from the tip of the nose to the fork in the caudal fin (tail) with the fish laying on its side on a flat surface, with the tape measure/ruler positioned under the fish.

Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

Retention of green sturgeon is prohibited.

**Columbia River, from Bonneville Dam upstream to McNary Dam including adjacent tributaries:**

Catch and release fishing only, except closed within spawning sanctuaries as specified in permanent regulations. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

#### *Columbia River Tributaries*

**Drano Lake:** Effective August 25 through October 31, 2021, in the waters of Drano Lake located between a line projected through shoreline markers (located on north and west shores) approximately 2,000' downstream of the Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery, upstream to the deadline markers at the mouth of the Little White Salmon River immediately below the fish hatchery: Bank fishing only. Fishing from any floating device prohibited. Only hand-cast lines may be used.

**Tributary Weir Report:** Current status as of August 31, 2021.

This section will provide operational status of the resistance board weirs run in Southwest WA. Additional information for these and other weirs will be available in the coming weeks.

**Grays River Weir** - located upstream of the Highway 4 bridge ~.3 miles. **Installed** and operating.

**Kalama River Weir** - located at the Modrow Trap facility. **Installed** and operating.

**Elochoman River Weir** - located upstream of the Foster Road bridge ~.5 miles. **Installed** and operating.

**Washougal River Weir** - located at the Fords Game Access Site. **Installed** and operating.

**Green River Weir** - located at the North Toutle Hatchery. **Installed** and operating.

**Coweeman River Weir** – located at river mile 6.8 near the end of Allen Street in Kelso. **Installed** and operating.

**Cedar Creek Weir** – located 0.25 mile from the mouth with the NF Lewis. **Installed** and operating.

## **Fishery Reports:**

**Lower Columbia mainstem Tongue Point/Rocky Point upstream to Bonneville Dam** – 1,100 salmonid boats and 203 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday's (8/28) flight count.

### ***Mainstem Columbia River***

#### **Salmon/Steelhead:**

**Sec 1 (Bonneville)** – 51 bank anglers kept three Chinook. 24 boats/60 rods kept 14 Chinook, one coho and released one Chinook, one Chinook jack and one coho.

**Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal)** – 66 boats/148 rods kept 23 Chinook, two Chinook jacks, one coho and released one Chinook and one coho.

**Sec 3 (I-5 area)** – 12 boats/23 rods kept two Chinook.

**Sec 4 (Vancouver)** – 103 bank anglers kept 10 Chinook. 106 boats/236 rods kept 46 Chinook, three Chinook jacks, one coho and released one Chinook, two coho and one steelhead.

**Sec 5 (Woodland)** – 191 bank anglers kept 12 Chinook and one coho. 62 boats/184 rods kept 82 Chinook, two Chinook jacks, five coho, one coho jack and released two Chinook, 12 coho, one coho jack and two steelhead.

**Sec 6 (Kalama)** – 387 bank anglers kept 54 Chinook and released two coho and one steelhead. 153 boats/388 rods kept 75 Chinook, three Chinook jacks, six coho and released five Chinook, two Chinook jacks, six coho and one steelhead.

**Sec 7 (Cowlitz)** – 119 boats/320 rods kept 121 Chinook, six Chinook jacks, 14 coho and released two Chinook, one Chinook jack, 12 coho and one steelhead.

**Sec 8 (Longview)** – 89 bank anglers kept one Chinook and released two steelhead. 233 boats/536 rods kept 63 Chinook, seven Chinook jacks, six coho and released two Chinook, two Chinook jacks, one coho, one coho jack and one steelhead.

**Sec 9 (Cathlamet)** – 17 bank anglers released one steelhead. 59 boats/139 rods kept 47 Chinook, one Chinook jack, two coho and released one Chinook jack and three coho.

**Sec 10 (Cathlamet)** – One bank angler had no catch. 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

**Sturgeon:**

**Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal)** – 1 boat/2 rods released one legal sturgeon.

**Sec 6 (Kalama)** – 1 boat/2 rods released eight sublegal and four legal sturgeon.

**Sec 8 (Longview)** – 2 boats/5 rods released nine sublegal, eight legal and one oversize sturgeon.

**Walleye:**

**Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal)** – 2 boats/3 rods had no catch.

***Columbia River Tributaries***

**Salmon/Steelhead:**

**Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream** – No report.

**Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br** – No report.

**Kalama River** – No report.

**Lewis River** – 16 bank rods kept one Chinook jack and eight coho. 1 boat/5 rods had no catch.

**Wind River** – 1 boat/1 rod kept one coho.

**Drano Lake** – 42 boats/100 rods kept 35 Chinook, one Chinook jack, three coho and released 56 Chinook, two Chinook jacks, one coho and four steelhead.

**Klickitat River below Fisher Hill Bridge** – Four bank rods kept one Chinook.

**Klickitat River above #5 Fishway** – Four bank rods released one steelhead.