

March 14, 2022

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Mainstem

Sturgeon:

Columbia River, from Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam, including adjacent tributaries:

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

Bonneville Pool:

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

The Dalles Pool:

Effective immediately through March 30, 2022: Open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only for retention of sturgeon between 43" and 54" fork length. Catch and release fishing for sturgeon is allowed on days not open to retention. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

John Day Pool:

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

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Salmon Creek:

Effective March 16 through May 27, 2022, from the mouth to the 182nd Avenue Bridge: Hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 3. Selective Gear Rules in effect, except use of barbed hooks is allowed.

Wind River:

Effective March 16, 2022 until further notice, from the mouth to 800 yards downstream of Carson National Fish Hatchery: Salmon and hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 6. Up to 1 adult salmon and 1 hatchery steelhead or up to 2 hatchery steelhead may be retained. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

Drano Lake:

Effective March 16, 2022 until further notice, in the waters downstream of markers on the point of land downstream and across from Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery and upstream of the Highway 14 bridge: Salmon and hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 2, of which up to 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia River mainstem Cathlamet upstream to Bonneville Dam – 98 salmonid boats and 23 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday's (3/12) flight count.

Mainstem Columbia River

Salmon/Steelhead:

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – Five bank anglers had no catch.

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

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – 6 boats/9 rods had no catch.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – 19 bank anglers had no catch. 16 boats/24 rods had no catch.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – 71 bank anglers kept four steelhead. 17 boats/36 rods had no catch.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 18 bank anglers had no catch. 17 boats/35 rods had no catch.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 2 boats/3 rods had no catch.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 78 bank anglers kept five steelhead and released two steelhead. 23 boats/38 rods had no catch.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – Four bank anglers had no catch. 5 boats/7 rods had no catch.

Sec 10 (Cathlamet) – Three bank anglers had no catch. 31 boats/59 rods kept two Chinook.

Sturgeon:

The Dalles Pool – 57.4 percent of 190 fish guideline.

Walleye:

Bonneville Pool – No report.

The Dalles Pool – Three bank anglers kept one walleye. 18 boats/41 rods kept 110 walleye.

John Day Pool – 8 boats/21 rods kept 21 walleye and released two walleye.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 72 bank rods kept 19 steelhead and released one steelhead. 3 boats/7 rods kept seven steelhead.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – 82 bank rods kept 12 steelhead and released one steelhead. 39 boats/131 rods kept 69 steelhead.

Kalama River – Three bank rods had no catch. 3 boats/6 rods kept one steelhead.

Lewis River – No report.