

August 28, 2023

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Tributaries

Tributary Weir Report: Current status as of August 28, 2023.

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.

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

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

South Fork Toutle Weir - located ~ 0.25 mile from the mouth with the NF Toutle. Installed and operating.

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

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

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

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

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia River, Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to Bonneville Dam – 858 salmonid boats and 242 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday's (8/26) flight count.

Mainstem Columbia River

Salmon/Steelhead:

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – 60 bank anglers kept 13 Chinook, one Chinook jack and released two steelhead. 9 boats/23 rods released one steelhead.

Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal) – 8 boats/21 rods kept four Chinook and two Chinook jacks.

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – 4 boats/7 rods kept one Chinook.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – 68 bank anglers kept eight Chinook. 55 boats/122 rods kept 21 Chinook, one coho and released one Chinook.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – 35 bank anglers kept five Chinook. 35 boats/83 rods kept 25 Chinook, one Chinook jack and released one coho.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 189 bank anglers kept 11 Chinook and one Chinook jack. 28 boats/75 rods kept 12 Chinook, one coho and released two Chinook and one steelhead.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 57 boats/141 rods kept 20 Chinook, one Chinook jack and released one coho.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 49 bank anglers kept one Chinook and released four steelhead. 67 boats/143 rods kept 12 Chinook.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – 25 bank anglers had no catch.

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Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 22 bank rods had no catch.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – Nine bank rods released one Chinook. 9 boats/29 rods kept 16 steelhead.

Kalama River – Seven bank rods kept one Chinook and one steelhead.

Lewis River – No report.

Wind River – No report.

Drano Lake – 23 bank rods had no catch. 94 boats/249 rods kept 99 Chinook, three Chinook jacks, two coho and released 15 Chinook and 17 steelhead.

Klickitat River below Fisher Hill Bridge – One bank rod had no catch.

Klickitat River above #5 Fishway – No report.