

# **Tucannon River Spring Chinook Salmon Captive Broodstock Program**

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# Abstract

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This report summarizes the objectives, tasks, and accomplishments of the Tucannon River spring chinook captive brood during 2001.

The WDFW initiated a captive broodstock program in 1997. The overall goal of the Tucannon River captive broodstock program is for the short-term, and eventually long-term, rebuilding of the Tucannon River spring chinook salmon run, with the hope that natural production will sustain itself. The project goal is to rear captive salmon selected from the supplementation program to adults, spawn them, rear their progeny, and release approximately 150,000 smolts annually into the Tucannon River between 2003-2007. These smolt releases, in combination with the current hatchery supplementation program (132,000 smolts) and wild production, are expected to produce 600-700 returning adult spring chinook to the Tucannon River each year from 2005-2010.

The captive broodstock program will collect fish from five (1997-2001) brood years (BY). The captive broodstock program was initiated with 1997 BY juveniles, and the 2001 BY fish have been selected. As of Jan 1, 2002, WDFW has 17 BY 1997, 159 BY 1998, 316 BY 1999, 448 BY 2000, and approximately 1,200 BY 2001 fish on hand at LFH.

The 2001 eggtake from the 1997 brood year (Age 4) was 233,894 eggs from 125 ripe females. Egg survival was 69%. Mean fecundity based on the 105 fully spawned females was 1,990 eggs/female.

The 2001 eggtake from the 1998 brood year (Age 3) was 47,409 eggs from 41 ripe females. Egg survival was 81%. Mean fecundity based on the 39 fully spawned females was 1,160 eggs/female. The total 2001 eggtake from the captive brood program was 281,303 eggs.

As of May 1, 2002 we have 171,495 BY 2001 captive brood progeny on hand. A total of 20,592 excess fish were marked as parr (AD/CWT) and will be released during early May, 2002 into the Tucannon River (rkm 40-45). This will allow us to stay within our maximum allowed number (150,000) of smolts released.

During April 2002, WDFW volitionally released 3,055 BY 2000 captive broodstock progeny from Curl Lake Acclimation Pond into the Tucannon River. These fish were marked with agency-only wire tags and no fin clips in order to differentiate them from the supplementation fish (CWT/Right Red VI/No Finclip). Monitoring their survival and future releases to adult returns, along with future natural production levels, will determine the success or failure of this captive broodstock program.

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# Introduction

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## Reporting Period

This report summarizes the objectives, tasks, and accomplishments of the Tucannon River spring chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) captive brood program for 2001. This report, while originally intended to cover activities accomplished exclusively under the Fiscal Year (FY) 2001 contract, includes some events during FY2002 activities as well. This was done to provide readers with complete results from the tagging, rearing, and spawning activities that have occurred.

## Tucannon River Spring Chinook Program Overview

Prior to 1985, artificial production of spring chinook in the Tucannon River was nearly nonexistent, with only two fry releases in the 1960s (WDFW et al. 1999). In August 1962 and June 1964, 16,000 Klickitat (2.3 g fish or 197 fish/lb) and 10,500 Willamette (2.6 g fish or 175 fish/lb) spring chinook stock, respectively, were released by the Washington Department of Fisheries into the Tucannon River. The out-planting program was discontinued after a major flood destroyed the rearing ponds in 1965. Neither of these releases is believed to have returned any significant number of adults. After completion of the four lower Snake River dams, the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan (LSRCP) program was formed to provide hatchery compensation for loss of spring chinook, fall chinook, and summer steelhead in the Snake River (USACE 1975). In 1985, WDFW began the hatchery spring chinook production program in the Tucannon River by trapping wild (unmarked) adults for the hatchery broodstock. Hatchery-origin fish have been returning to the Tucannon River since 1988. The hatchery broodstock since 1989 has consisted of natural and hatchery-origin fish.

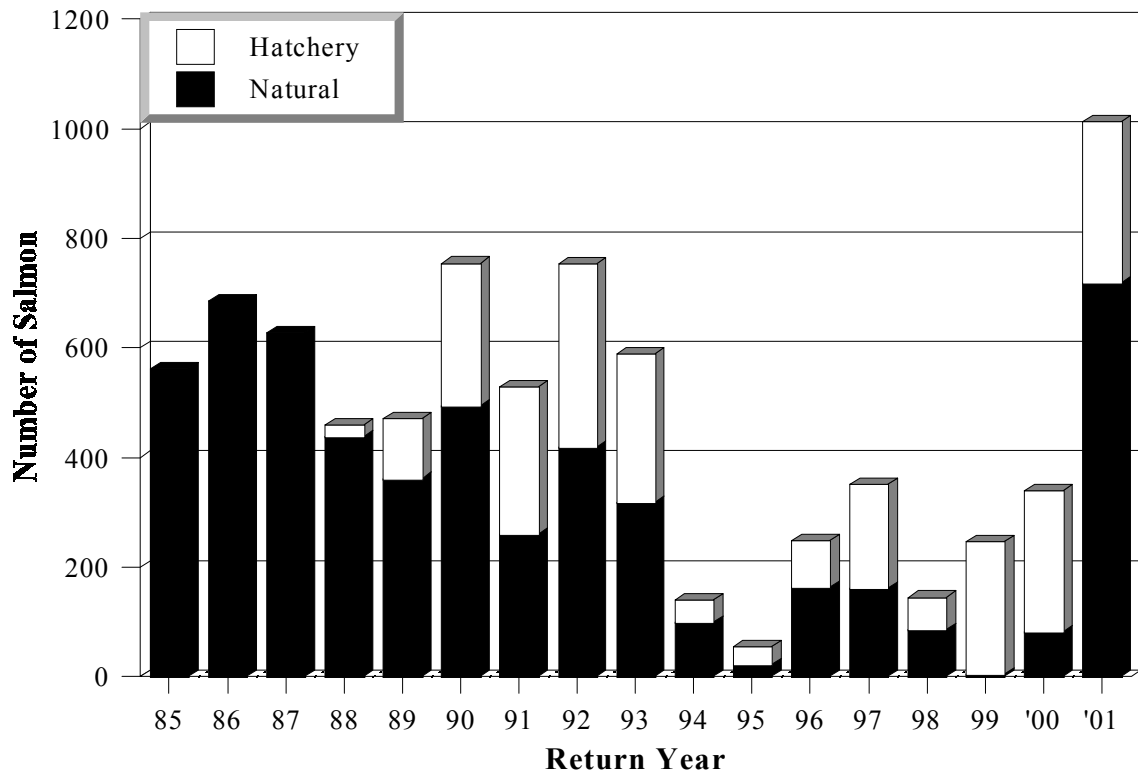
In 1992, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) listed Snake River spring/summer chinook as “endangered” (April 22, 1992 Federal Register, Vol. 57, No. 78, p 14653), which included the Tucannon River stock. The listing status was changed to “threatened” in 1995 (April 17, 1995 Federal Register, Vol 60, No 73, p 19342). Between 1993-1998, WDFW operated the supplementation program under Section 10 direct take permit #848 for artificial propagation and research. Since 1998, WDFW has operated both the supplementation and captive broodstock program under Section 10 direct take permits #1126 (artificial propagation), and #1129 (research). The Endangered Species Act (ESA) allows for “the use of all methods and procedures which are necessary to bring any endangered species or threatened species to the point at which the measures pursuant to the Act are no longer necessary” (ESA 1973).

Consistent with that provision, WDFW and the co-managers [The Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation (CTUIR) and the Nez Perce Tribe (NPT)] decided in 1997 to implement the Tucannon River captive broodstock program to sustain and potentially recover this listed population. Both of the hatchery programs (supplementation and captive brood) are being conducted with the recognition that artificial propagation may have potentially deleterious direct and indirect effects on the listed fish (Hard et al. 1992; Cuenco et al. 1993; Busack and Currens 1995; Campton 1995). These effects may include genetic and ecological hazards that



cause maladaptive genetic, physiological, or behavioral changes in donor or target populations, with attendant losses in natural productivity (Hard et al. 1992). However, WDFW and the co-managers believed the risk of extinction in the Tucannon River was high enough that aggressive intervention beyond the current supplementation program was warranted. Further, this program has been defined to last for only one-generation cycle (five brood years), and negative effects should be reduced due to the short-term nature of the program.

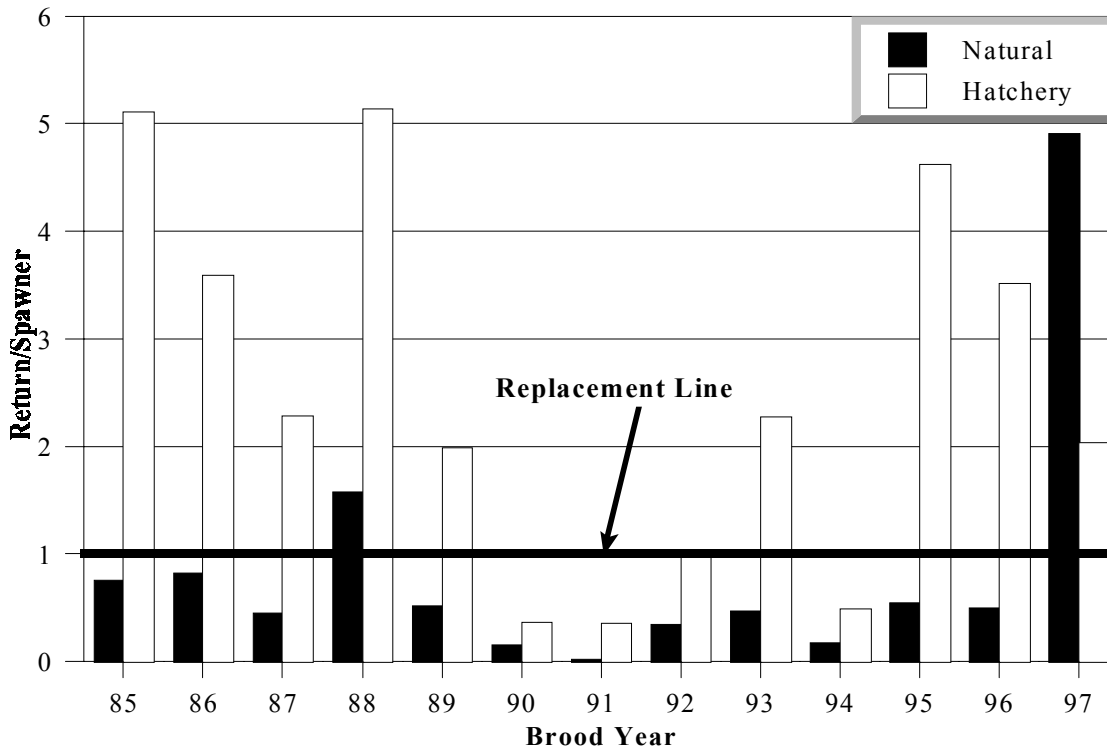
Adult returns between 1985-1993 were between 400-750 wild and hatchery fish combined (Figure 1). In 1994, the adult escapement declined severely to less than 150 fish, and the run in 1995 was estimated at 54 fish. In 1995, WDFW started the Captive Broodstock Program on their own but discontinued it based upon the 1996-97 predicted return estimates. Unfortunately, the 1996 and 1997 returns were not as strong as predicted. In addition, major floods in 1996 and 1997 on the Tucannon River eliminated most natural production. Moreover, an 80% loss of the hatchery egg take occurred in 1997 due to an operation malfunction of a water chiller that cold shocked the eggs. Because of the lower returns, and losses to both natural and hatchery production, the Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock program was re-initiated with the 1997 brood year.



**Figure 1.** Total estimated escapement of Tucannon River spring chinook salmon from 1985-2001.

Key to the Tucannon River spring chinook restoration effort will be whether or not the natural population can consistently return above the replacement level. Since 1985, WDFW has monitored and estimated the success of the natural population for comparison to the hatchery

program as part of the LSRCP program (USFWS 1998). Monitoring efforts to date have shown the natural population below replacement almost every year (Figure 2). In short, unless the

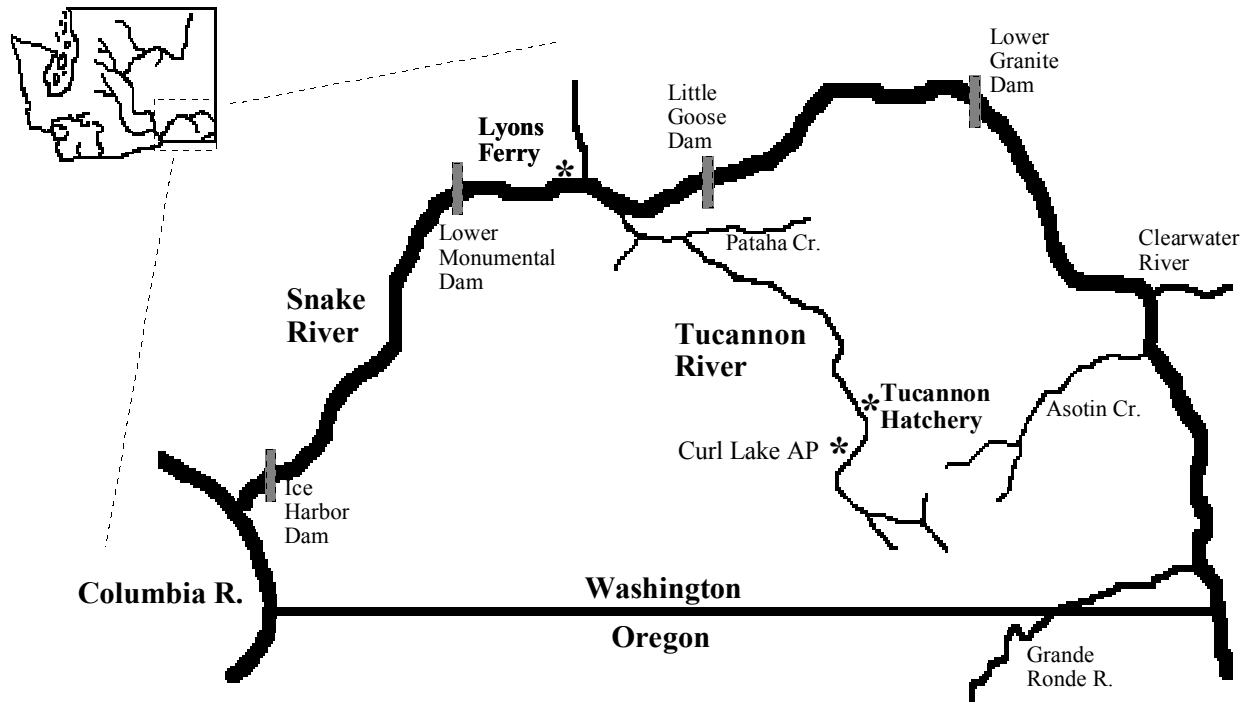


**Figure 2.** Return per spawner ratio (with replacement line) for Tucannon River spring chinook salmon for the 1985-1997 brood years.

natural population returns to a point above replacement both the captive broodstock and supplementation programs will fail to achieve their respective goals.

### Tucannon River Watershed Characteristics

The Tucannon River empties into the Snake River between Little Goose and Lower Monumental dams approximately 622 river kilometers (rkm) from the mouth of the Columbia River (Figure 3). Stream elevation rises from 150 m at the mouth to 1,640 m at the headwater (Bugert et al. 1990). Total watershed area is about 1,295 km<sup>2</sup>. Mean discharge is 4.9-m<sup>3</sup>/sec with a mean low of 1.7-m<sup>3</sup>/sec (August) and a mean high flow of 8.8-m<sup>3</sup>/sec (April/May). Local habitat problems related to logging, road building, recreation, and agriculture/livestock grazing has limited the production potential of spring chinook in the Tucannon River. Spring chinook typically spawn and rear above rkm 40. WDFW and the co-managers believe smolt releases in the upper watershed have the best chance for high survival, and recovery effects from this program and the supplementation program will be maximized.



**Figure 3.** Location of the Tucannon River within the Snake River Basin, and locations of Lyons Ferry Hatchery, Tucannon Hatchery, and Curl Lake Acclimation Pond within the Tucannon River Basin.

It is hoped that recent initiatives for habitat improvement within the Tucannon Basin (BPA funded Tucannon River Model Watershed Program, and the State of Washington Governor’s Salmon Recovery Plan) which are aimed at increasing in-river survival, changing and improved ocean conditions, and continued adult and juvenile passage improvements at Federal Columbia River Power System (FCRPS) dams, will be enough to return the natural population above the replacement level. For example, broad based goals of the Tucannon Model Watershed Program are to: 1) restore and maintain natural stream stability, 2) reduce water temperatures, 3) reduce upland erosion and sediment delivery rates, and 4) improve and re-establish riparian vegetation. Managers hope that these in-river habitat recovery efforts will ultimately increase survival of naturally reared spring chinook in the river. While this will only provide an increase to population numbers (parr or smolts), greater numbers of juveniles will return more adult fish to the Tucannon River even if passage problems and ocean conditions remain unchanged. The captive brood program should provide a quick increase in the number of adults that will produce progeny to take advantage of these habitat improvements.

## Facility Descriptions

The spring chinook supplementation program currently utilizes three different WDFW facilities: Lyons Ferry Hatchery (LFH), Tucannon Fish Hatchery (TFH), and Curl Lake Acclimation Pond (AP). Each of these facilities will also be used in some manner for the captive broodstock

program for rearing, release and subsequent adult capture upon return. Lyons Ferry is located on the Snake River (rkm 90) at its confluence with the Palouse River (Figure 3). Lyons Ferry was constructed with funds provided by the Army Corps of Engineers, and has subsequently been funded through the LSRCP program of the U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service. Ultimately, the FCRPS through BPA bears the cost of the LSRCP program. Lyons Ferry is used for adult broodstock holding and spawning, and incubation and early life rearing until production marking. Fifteen 1.2-m diameter circular starter tanks had been purchased when the captive broodstock program was started in 1995. In 1999, LSRCP purchased and supplied the needed funding for installation of eight 6.1-m diameter circular rearing tanks for the adults, and for relocation of the small circular tanks. The fifteen 1.2-m circular tanks and the eight 6.1-m circular tanks were installed during August and September of 1999 in the captive broodstock rearing area at LFH. During 2000, BPA supplied funding for security fencing around the broodstock rearing area. A diagram of the captive broodstock facility is shown in Appendix A.

Tucannon Hatchery, located at rkm 59 on the Tucannon River, has an adult collection trap on-site. Following marking at LFH, juveniles are transferred to TFH to rear through winter. In mid-February, the fish are transferred to Curl Lake AP for a minimum of three weeks acclimation. Curl Lake AP is a 0.85 ha natural bottom lake with a mean depth of 2.8 meters (pond volume estimated at 22,203 m<sup>3</sup>). During the middle of March, the pond exit is opened and the fish are allowed to volitionally emigrate from the lake until the third week of April when they are forced out.

## **Monitoring and Evaluation**

As previously mentioned, the LSRCP Tucannon River spring chinook supplementation program has ongoing evaluations. Some of the monitoring and evaluation activities include: smolt release sampling, smolt trapping, spawning ground surveys, genetic monitoring, snorkel surveys for juvenile population estimates, spawning, fecundity monitoring, and experimental release strategies for smolts. Through these and other activities, survival rates of the natural and hatchery fish have been documented for the span of the supplementation program. These same and other activities will continue to play a major role in evaluating the success of the captive broodstock program in the future (for both parents and progeny).

As part of the monitoring plan, survival and rate of maturation are being documented, by family groups, within each brood year. Fecundity and egg size in relation to spawning success will be documented for all spawned captive broodstock females. Maturation timing will be monitored as well as overall growth rates for each brood year. Smolt migration will be monitored through the use of Passive Integrated Transponder (PIT) tags, and adult return rates will be monitored through adult trapping and carcass recoveries during spawning ground surveys.

# Captive Broodstock Program

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The overall goal of the Tucannon River spring chinook salmon captive broodstock program is for the short-term, and eventually long-term, rebuilding of the natural run, with the hope that natural population will sustain itself. The current hatchery mitigation goal under the LSRCP is to return 1,152 adult spring chinook of Tucannon River stock to the river annually. Attempts to reach the mitigation goal have been occurring through the current LSRCP supplementation program with the annual release of 132,000 smolts at 15 fish/lb (fpp) or 30 g fish, but have failed, largely because of poor smolt-to-adult survival rates. Currently, there is not an escapement goal for naturally produced spring chinook in the Tucannon River. It is hoped that through re-negotiation of the Columbia River Fish Management Plan (CRFMP), an agreed upon goal will be established to better manage the population.

The captive broodstock program is not intended to replace the hatchery supplementation program. Rather, it is to provide a quick “boost” to the population in the short term because of poor runs initially predicted through 2000. A quick “boost” would not be possible under the existing supplementation program, as it would require about 200 adults for hatchery broodstock each year. This was not believed possible by managers, as returns from 1998-2000 were expected to be less than 200 total fish annually. Further, such an increase would mean taking more fish from the river, and nearly eliminating any natural production potential. WDFW and the co-managers believed that the low runs between 1997-2000 would limit both natural and hatchery production, possibly to a point where the run would not be able to fully recover. Based on this conclusion, the captive broodstock program was initiated.

This captive broodstock program and the supplementation program will not likely recover the population without a substantial increase in survival of spring chinook throughout the system. The specific objectives of the program are to rear spring chinook salmon to adults, spawn them, rear their progeny, and release the progeny as smolts into the Tucannon River. The program is scheduled to terminate with the final release of smolts in 2008. Successes and failures during and after the program ends will be evaluated by WDFW concurrently with the LSRCP hatchery evaluation program.

Eggs/fry to be incorporated into the captive broodstock program were collected from the 1997-2001 BYs that are part of the supplementation program. The captive broodstock goal is to collect 290,000 eggs/year from captive brood females when three complete age classes (Age 3-Age 5) are spawned concurrently. Under original program design, these eggs are expected to produce about 150,000 smolts for release from the Curl Lake AP. Depending on smolts produced each year this should provide a return of about 300 adult fish of captive broodstock origin per year between 2005-2010. These fish combined with fish from the hatchery supplementation program and natural production from the river should return 600-700 fish annually between 2005-2010. While this return is still well below the LSRCP mitigation goal, it increases the in-river population level back to a pre-1994 run size.

Captive brood program production (adults, eggs, or juveniles) in excess of the smolt goal may be released by other methods as discussed in the Master Plan (WDFW et al. 1999). Options include

adult outplants, remote site incubation, fry outplants, or smolt releases into other systems deemed suitable for Tucannon River spring chinook introductions.

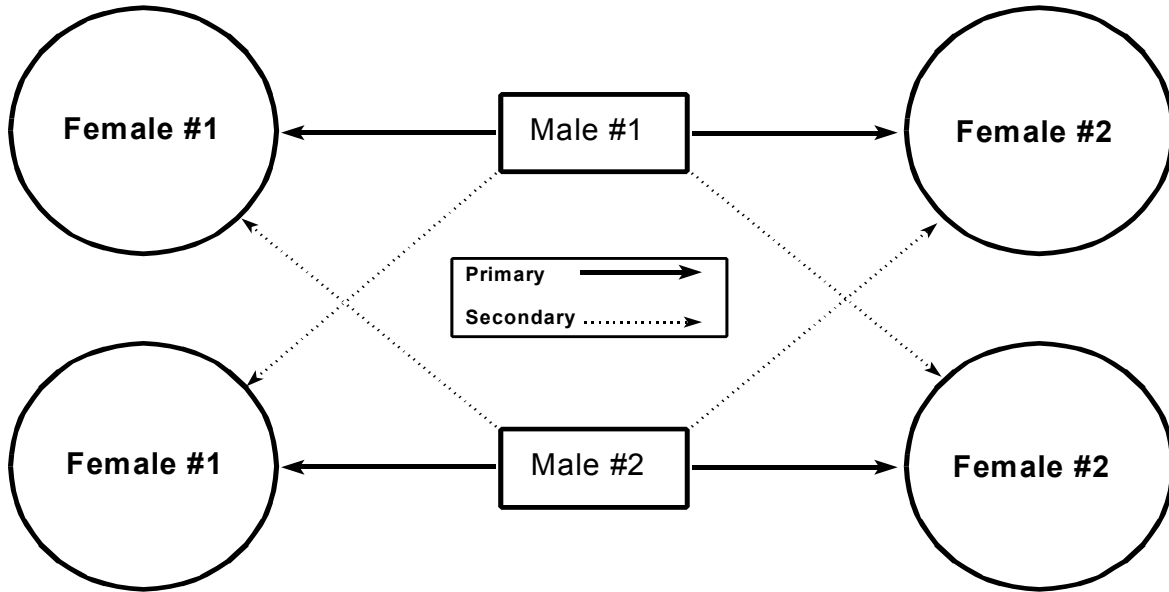
The spring chinook captive broodstock program in the short term will help ensure that the Tucannon River spring chinook population is preserved until habitat-related factors and Columbia/Snake River passage problems affecting the productivity and survival of wild fish can be remedied. The captive brood program, in conjunction with the supplementation program, is intended to facilitate recovery of the natural population, while minimizing the risk of further decline and restricting genetic changes which might result from artificial propagation. Monitoring and evaluation programs are in place to assess and adjust the effects of the captive broodstock program as needed (Bumgarner and Schuck 1999, Bumgarner et al. 2000). Measures have been taken to minimize and mitigate potential genetic and/or ecological hazards of this program to the listed population (WDFW et al. 1999).

### **Source of Captive Population**

As described in detail in the Tucannon Master Plan (WDFW et al. 1999), the captive population will come from the hatchery supplementation program during the 1997-2001 BYs. Supplementation broodstock consist of both natural and hatchery returns (generally 1:1 ratio). Returning hatchery fish used in the supplementation broodstock are verified to have come from the Tucannon River stock through Coded-Wire Tag (CWT) verification. Collection of eggs/fry from the supplementation program was done to lessen the effects of removing more fish from the natural population. Also, disease history and origin of parents would be known, and the overall effect to the supplementation program would be minimal.

During the spawning process in the supplementation program, the eggs of two females are split in half with each lot fertilized by a different primary male (each male also acts as a secondary male). Due to the relatively small population size, this 2 x 2 mating (Figure 4) strategy has been incorporated into the supplementation program to increase genetic variation. Milt from a secondary male is added as a backup 30 seconds later. Actual fertilization takes place in a few seconds, so the backup male may not contribute equally to each individual egg lot unless semen from the primary male is non-viable.

**2 x 2 Mating Cross**



**Figure 4.** Diagram of the 2 x 2 mating scheme used by WDFW in the supplementation and captive broodstock program.

However, because of the crosses, some progeny from the two females are likely related and considered a family unit. Therefore, we consider all crosses with identical males (whether as primary or secondary to the mating) as one family unit to avoid within family matings in the future. So while only 15 “family” units are chosen for the program, actual contribution of male and female parents (population size) to the captive broodstock program on a yearly basis will be higher. The actual number of parents that comprise the 1997-2001 BYs are given in Appendix B. Effective population size for each brood year was calculated by the formula:

$$N_e = 4 (N_M)(N_F)/(N_M + N_F)$$

Where:  $N_M$  = number of males  
 $N_F$  = number of females

The effective population sizes of the 1997-2001 BYs were 53, 58, 42, 56, and 58, respectively.

Selection of eggs/fry is based on Bacterial Kidney Disease (BKD) and virology screening of females, parent origin, and matings (Appendix B). Spawned females were examined for BKD using the Enzyme Linked Immunosorbent Assay (ELISA) technique. Only females which are given a “Low” (0.11 - 0.19 Optical Density (OD)) or “Below Low” (< 0.11 OD) ELISA result are used for selection, with priority given to “Below Low” females. Priority for selection (in the following order) of eggs/fry is given to Wild x Wild, Wild x Hatchery (Mixed), and Hatchery x Hatchery crosses. All BYs identified for the program will follow the same criteria.

Screening for BKD was a major factor in WDFW’s decision to collect eggs/fry from the supplementation program. By having the test results prior to selection, and by having rearing criteria that called for minimal sampling/handling, we felt that BKD outbreaks would be

minimized. To date, we know of no mortalities that can be attributed to BKD in the captive brood population.

After the eggs have hatched and absorbed their yolk sac, they are ready to be placed in the rearing vessels and the selection process begins. Eighty fish (or generally 40 fry/female) from each of the 15 “family units” are selected (1,200 total fish) from each BY and moved to the 1.2-m circular fiberglass tanks. After rearing for one year, each of the “family” groups is reduced to 30 fish/family (450 fish/BY) by random selection just prior to marking. Excess fish are returned to the supplementation production group. Fish destined for the captive broodstock program are marked by “family” group with a CWT in the snout and adipose fin (backup). This is to verify “family” groups during future spawning activities so that full or half-siblings are not mated together. In addition to the CWT, an alpha-numeric visual implant (VI) tag is placed behind the left or right eye to identify individual fish. The VI tag, should it be retained, will provide a quicker “family” identification method than the CWT. In addition, fish that retain the VI will provide individual growth rates. After the fish have been tagged, they are transferred to one of the 6.1-m circular fiberglass tanks for rearing to maturity. Once the fish have been transferred to the larger rearing tanks, they are not moved again unless survival rates are greater than anticipated, or density limits are exceeded within the rearing tanks. At maturity, fish are transferred to the lower section of an adult raceway, directly below fish that have been trapped for the supplementation program. Family size and marking procedures will be the same for all brood years collected.

Density limits for each rearing tanks were established prior to any stocking of fish. Most of the density limits prescribed were taken from the WDFW Dungeness River Captive Broodstock Program, where similar size starter and adult rearing tanks are used. Based on those density limits and expected survival and maturation rates, we were able to design the facilities needed. The current fish number maximums are as follows: 1.2-m circular tanks = no more than 200 fish/tank at Age 1; 6.1-m circular tanks = no more than 150 fish/tank at Age 3, or 100 fish/tank at Age 4.

Fry from each brood year were collected as described above, with appropriate families chosen for the program (Appendix B). Data on average length (mm), weight (g), and condition factor (K) for each “family” group were compiled during tagging (Appendix C).



## Rearing, Spawning, and Release

Captive brood fish are being reared at LFH using standard fish culture practices and approved therapeutants in pathogen free well water that is a constant 11°C. Each 6.1-m circular captive tank is supplied with 581.3 L/min, while the 1.2-m tanks receive 23.3 L/min. To reduce the risk of catastrophic fish loss due to hatchery facility or operational failure, a number of safeguards are in place. LFH is staffed full time by personnel living on-station, providing for the protection of fish from vandalism and predation. The hatchery is also equipped with back up generators in the event of power outages. All staff are trained in proper fish handling, transport, rearing, biological sampling, and WDFW fish health maintenance procedures to minimize the risk of fish loss due to human error. All fish are handled, transported, and propagated in accordance with the WDFW Fish Health Manual (WDFW 1996) and Pacific Northwest Fish Health Protection Committee (PNFHPC 1989) disease prevention and control standards to minimize loss due to disease. Sanitation procedures are employed to reduce the transfer and incidence of fish diseases, and to promote quality fish in accordance with PNFHPC (1989) and Integrated Hatcheries Operations Team (1995) guidelines.

A variety of high quality commercial feed is provided through a state contract, and feed size varies with the estimated fish size of the different BYs. To date, we've used Moore-Clark Nutra™, Moore-Clark Fry™, and Bio-Products Salmon Brood Feed™ on the captive brood. Estimated size only is generally used to prescribe feed, as WDFW decided initially that too much handling of the fish to determine growth and size would not maintain a healthy population. This decision resulted from problems that Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) and Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) captive programs experienced during their first years of operation with monthly fish sampling (Bumgarner and Gallinat 2001). Due to the degree of early maturation of females in the 1997 and 1998 brood years, size at age recommendations were revised to produce more mature Age 4 and 5 fish. Size at age goals are as follows for each of the brood years: Age 1, 20-25 g; Age 2, 150-200 g; Age 3, 900 g; and Age 4, 4,000 g. All captive brood fish are reared outside under natural photoperiod conditions. However, each of the 6.1-m circular tanks are covered with camouflage netting which provides a shading effect over the pond. The netting also prevents fish from jumping out of the tank, and seems to maintain a "fright" response in the fish.

During the summer (late June to early July), captive brood fish that are Age 2 or greater are examined for signs of sexual maturation. Maturation is determined by change in body coloration, as other morphological sexual characteristics are not as obvious. Mature fish are removed and held below maturing spring chinook trapped from the Tucannon River for the supplementation program at LFH. Mature captive broodstock are initially injected with Erythromycin (0.5 cc/4.5 kg of body weight) and again every 30 days to reduce infection levels of *Renibacterium salmonarum*, the causative agent of BKD. The broodstock are also treated with a formalin flush (167 ppm) every other day to control fungus. Mature fish (primarily Age 2 jacks) not used for spawning are sacrificed at the end of the spawning season.

All captive brood progeny smolts will be marked differently from supplementation progeny for identification upon adult return. Smolts will be unclipped and marked with an agency-only wire tag in the snout (production fish have an elastomer tag and CWT). When supplementation or captive brood fish return as adults at the TFH adult trap, each unmarked (no adipose clip) adult

spring chinook will be scanned for wire in the snout and examined for a VI tag. If the fish is not adipose fin clipped, and wire is present in the snout and no VI is present, the fish is likely from the captive broodstock program and will be passed upstream to spawn in the river. Only if the run completely collapses, as it did in 1995, would any of the captive broodstock fish be collected for hatchery broodstock.

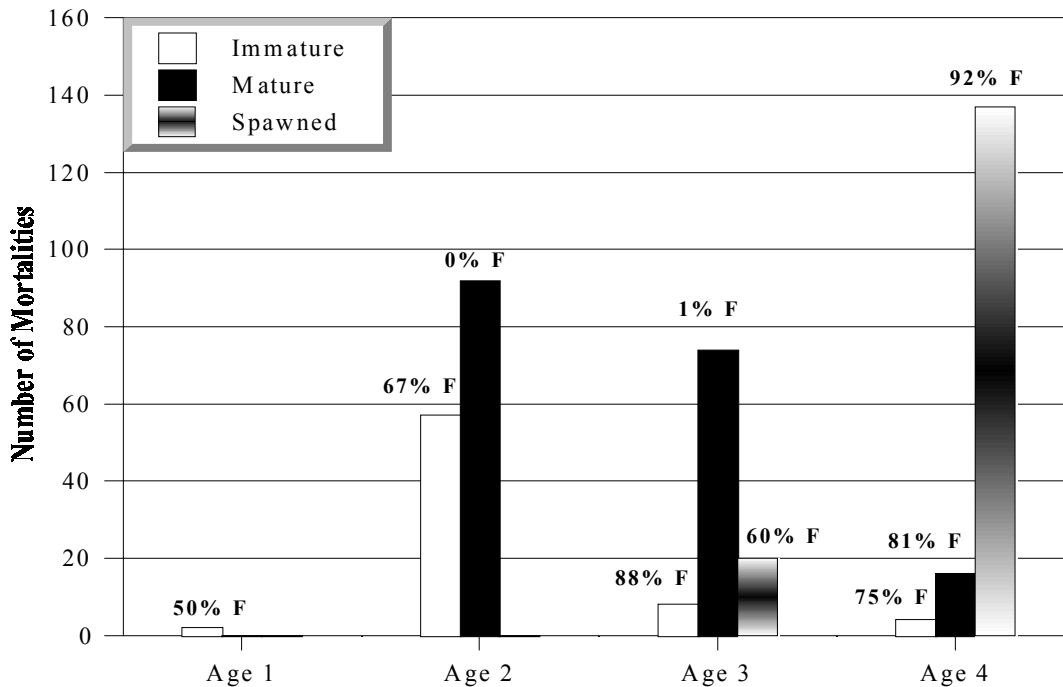
As stated earlier, the captive broodstock program was initiated with 1997 BY juveniles and we have just completed selection from the 2001 brood year. This is the last of the five brood years (1997-2001) to be selected for the captive broodstock program. We started the year (Jan. 1, 2001) with 176 97BY; 268 98BY; 408 98BY; and 1,200 00BY fish on hand. As of Jan. 1, 2002, WDFW has 17 BY97; 159 BY98; 316 BY99; 448 BY00, and approximately 1,200 BY01 fish on hand. The paragraphs below detail the selection, tagging, rearing, sorting, spawning activities, and mortalities for each BY during 2001.

### 1997 Brood Rearing

We began 2001 with 176 BY 1997 fish on hand. Fish from this brood have remained healthy throughout their rearing at LFH, with four mortalities during the year not related to maturation (Appendix D, Table 1). Since Age 1, there have been 71 (16.4%) mortalities not related to maturation. The 1997 BY were sorted for maturity on July 2, 2001. One hundred forty-nine fish were determined to be mature based on coloration and were transported to the spawning raceway for holding. The remaining 23 fish were immature and put into Tank 1 (Appendix A). Twenty-two of these immature fish were sampled for length and weight information during sorting (Table 1).

<b>Table 1.</b> Length and weight statistics of 1997 brood year immature fish sampled on July 2, 2001.					
Sample Size	Mean Length (mm)	Mean Weight (g)	# Fish/lb	Coefficient of Variation	Condition Factor (K)
22	455.7	1464.2	0.310	15.4	1.40

Mortalities by age for each stage of maturity have been followed since program inception (Figure 5). Fish from the captive brood program have matured earlier than fish from the supplementation program (Figure 5, Appendix D). Captive brood males begin maturing at Age 2 and captive brood females begin to mature at Age 3 (Figure 5). Mature fish not used for spawning are fish that were in excess of the number required for spawning or mature fish that did not become ripe in time for spawning (Figure 5). The results from spawning the mature fish from the 1997 BY during 2001 are provided in the spawning section of this report.



**Figure 5.** Number of mortalities by age and percent composition of females for each stage of maturity for the 1997 brood year.

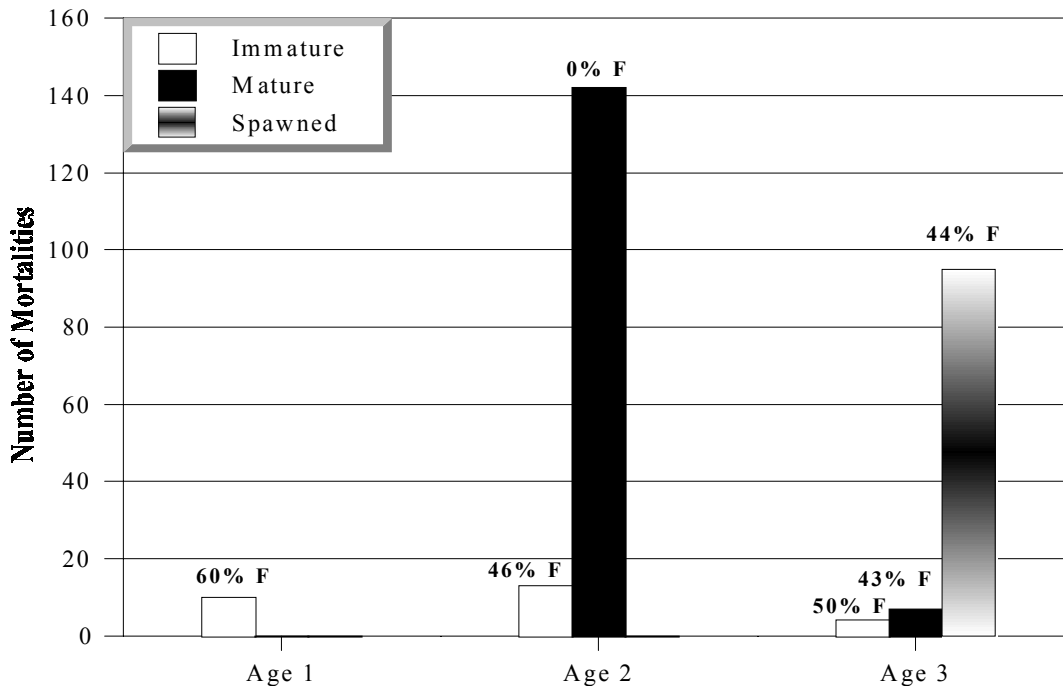
### 1998 Brood Rearing

We started 2001 with 268 BY 1998 fish on hand. Fish from this brood have remained healthy throughout their rearing at LFH, with four mortalities during the year not related to maturation (Appendix D, Table 2). Since Age 1, there have been only 27 (6.2%) mortalities not related to maturation. A total of 100 1998 BY fish were determined to be mature during sorting on July 2, 2001. These fish were transported to the adult spawning building and held directly below the supplementation fish captured at the adult trap. The remaining 163 fish were immature and split into two tanks with 84 fish (29 sampled for length and weight) left in Tank 2 (Appendix A) and 79 fish (29 sampled for length and weight) placed into Tank 5 (Table 2).

**Table 2.** Length and weight statistics of the 1998 brood year immature fish sampled on July 2, 2001.

Tank #	Sample Size	Mean Length (mm)	Mean Weight (g)	# Fish/lb	Coefficient Of Variation	Condition Factor (K)
2	29	410.0	910.4	0.50	10.1	1.30
5	29	395.9	860.5	0.53	8.2	1.37
Total	58	402.9	885.5	0.51	9.4	1.33

A greater number of mature 3-year old females were observed in the 1998 BY than the 1997 BY (Figures 5 and 6; Appendix D). This is most likely due to their accelerated growth. Mature Age 3 females can also be expected for the 1999 BY in 2002.



**Figure 6.** Number of mortalities by age and percent composition of females for each stage of maturity for the 1998 brood year.

### 1999 Brood Rearing

We began 2001 with 408 BY 1999 fish on hand. During October, 85 mature males were removed (20 used for spawning and 65 killed outright) and the remaining 318 immature fish were evenly split into two 6.1-m circular tanks (Tanks 3 and 6, Appendix A) to reduce rearing density. Fifty of the immature fish were sampled for length and weight information during sorting (Table 3). There were two mortalities during the year not related to maturation.

Sample Size	Mean Length (mm)	Mean Weight (g)	# Fish/lb	Coefficient of Variation	Condition Factor (K)
50	309.8	446.5	1.0	11.4	1.42

Results from spawning the mature fish from the 1999 BY during 2001 are provided in the spawning section of this report.

### 2000 Brood Rearing

We began 2001 with approximately 1,200 BY 2000 fish on hand in the 1.2-m circular tanks. Fish appeared to be out-of-size and were sampled on May 18 to obtain length and weight statistics (Table 4). Sampling confirmed the fish were above size goals and feeding levels were reduced to 0.5% body weight/day. On October 10 we marked 450 of the 2000 BY fish by family group (30 fish from each of the 15 families) with both visual implant and CWT (Appendix C). The fish were very large and precocious fish were observed but not selected for marking. Marked fish were then moved from the 1.2-m circular tanks into Tank 4 (Appendix A). Two fish died following tagging with no other mortalities reported for 2001. Fish not selected for the captive brood program were mixed in with juveniles (2000 BY) from the supplementation program.

**Table 4.** Length and weight statistics of the 2000 brood year sampled during 2001.

Sample Date	N	Mean Length (mm)	Mean Weight (g)	# Fish/lb	Coefficient of Variation	Condition Factor (K)
5/18	472	103.5	13.9	32.7	6.7	1.24
10/10	450	147.0	36.4	12.5	9.1	1.13

### 2001 Brood Rearing

Following spawning of the supplementation fish in 2001, we selected family units from which the captive broodstock population would be chosen. Selection of the 2001 brood year fish was based on crosses (WxW, HxW, HxH), origin, and BKD test results (Appendix B). During December, 2001 we selected 80 fish from each of the 15 family units (1,200 fish total) and moved them to the 1.2-m circular tanks in the captive broodstock enclosure. This is the last of the five brood years (1997-2001) to be selected for captive broodstock.

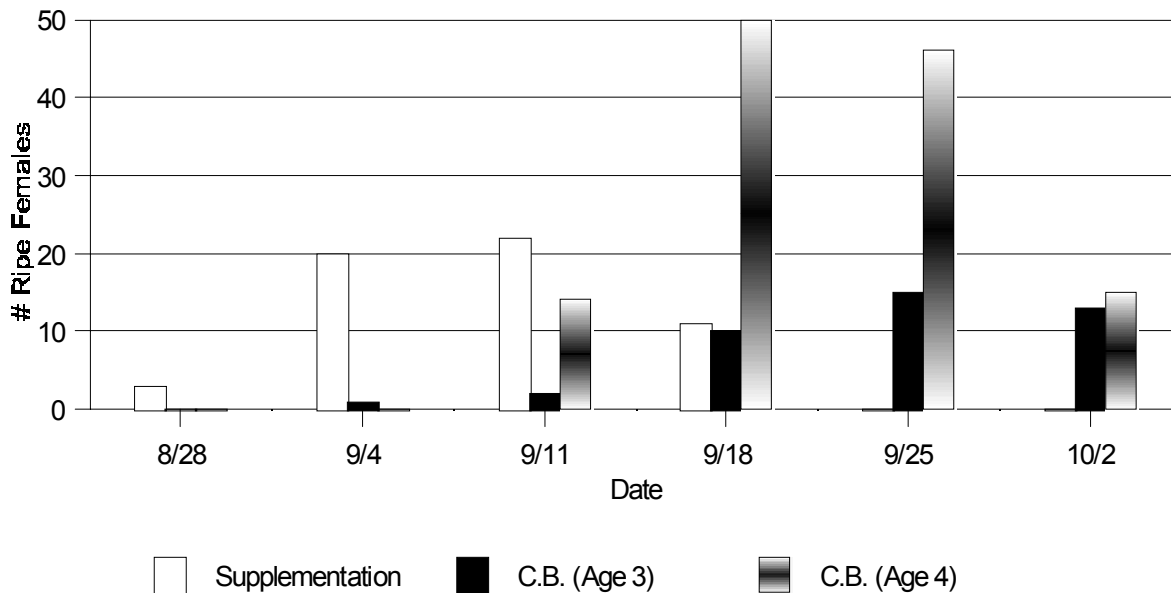
### 2001 Spawning with Comparisons to the Supplementation Broodstock

Twelve of the 149 mature fish from the 1997 brood year (Age 4) were males, of which 10 were used in spawning and two were killed outright (green). Mean length and weight for Age 4 mature males was 50.3 cm and 1,782 g, respectively (Appendix E, Table 1). One hundred thirty-seven of the mature fish were females. Of those, 125 were spawned (20 were partially ripe), four were green and killed outright, and eight died before spawning. Mean length and weight of Age 4 mature females was 52.8 cm and 2,250 g, respectively (Appendix E, Table 1). Length-weight relationships for males, females, and both sexes combined are found in Appendix E, Table 2.

Eggs were initially disinfected and water hardened for one hour in iodophor (100 ppm). During incubation, formalin (1,000 ppm) was added every other day for a 30 min treatment period to control fungus on the eggs. Eggtake from the 1997 brood year was 233,894 eggs and egg survival was 69%. Mean fecundity based on the 105 fully spawned females was 1,990 eggs/female. Fecundity by size relationship for Age 4 females was expressed by the formula:

$$\text{Fecundity} = -2,084.19 + 75.06 \times \text{Fork Length (cm)} \quad (r^2 = 0.57; P < 0.01)$$

Peak spawning was only one to two weeks later than observed for the supplementation fish (Figure 7). Due to the close proximity in spawn timing we were able to use wild males with a portion of the captive brood females. We did not attempt to cryo-preserve any semen from wild males but instead placed semen from wild origin fish into plastic bags with oxygen and stored them in a refrigerator for up to one week. Forty-three of the 125 spawned captive brood females were crossed with wild (unmarked) males from the supplementation program, with the remaining 82 crossed with mature captive brood males.



**Figure 7.** Spawn timing comparison by origin for the 2001 spawning season.

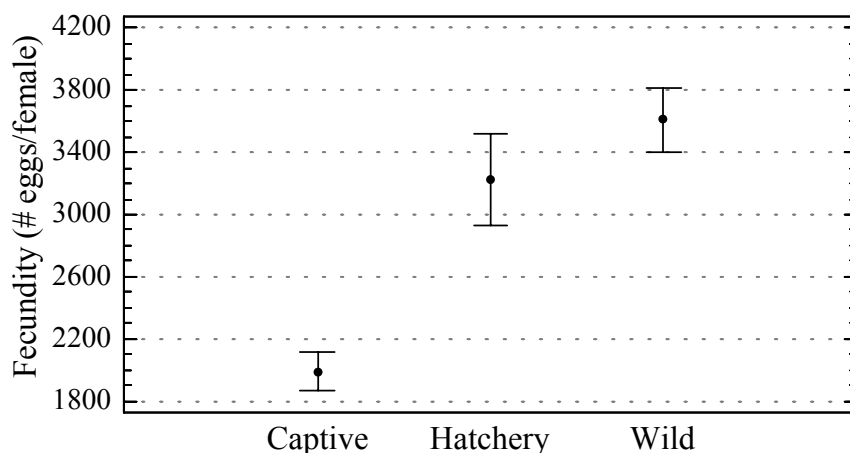
Fifty-six of the 100 mature fish from the 1998 brood year (Age 3) were males, of which 53 were used for spawning, one was green and killed outright, and two died before spawning. Average length and weight for mature Age 3 males was 41.1 cm and 903 g, respectively (Appendix E, Table 1). Forty-four of the mature fish were females. Of those, 41 were spawned (two were partial spawns), two were killed outright (green), and one died before spawning. Average length and weight for mature Age 3 females was 45.4 cm and 1,301 g, respectively (Appendix E, Table 1). Length-weight relationships for males, females, and both sexes combined are found in Appendix E, Table 2. Eggtake was 47,409 eggs and egg survival was 81%. This is in comparison to only 47% survival to the eyed-egg stage for Age 3 fish (1997 BY) spawned in 2000. Mean fecundity based on the 39 fully spawned females was 1,160 eggs/female. This is slightly lower than the fecundity of Age 3 fish spawned in 2000 (1,298 eggs/female based on 11 fully spawned fish) but differences are probably due to sample size. Fecundity by size relationship for Age 3 females was expressed by the formula:

$$\text{Fecundity} = -1,455.67 + 57.45 \times \text{Fork Length (cm)} \quad (r^2 = 0.47; P < 0.01)$$

Three of the 41 spawned females were crossed with wild (unmarked) males from the supplementation program, with the remaining 38 crossed with mature captive brood males. Peak spawning was two weeks later than observed for the supplementation fish (Figure 7).

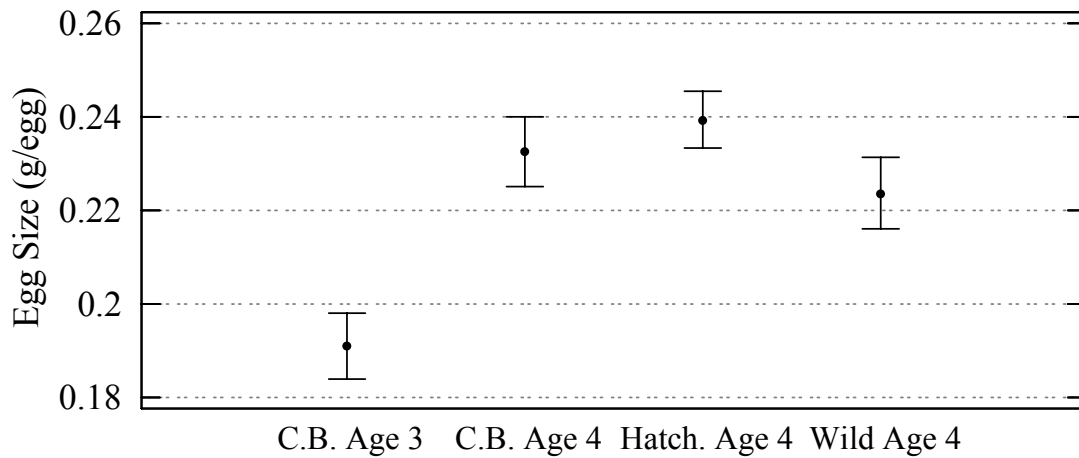
Twenty of the 85 mature males sorted from the 1999 BY on October 2, 2001 were used for spawning. They averaged 31.4 cm in length and had a mean weight of 488 g (Appendix E, Table 1). The length-weight relationship for these males can be found in Appendix E, Table 2. The remaining 65 mature males were sampled for length (Mean 30.8 cm; S.D. 4.3) and weight (Mean 430 g; S.D. 185.6) and were killed outright.

Analysis of variance was performed to determine if there were significant differences in mean fecundities between captive brood (Age 4) and wild and hatchery origin females (Age 4) trapped from the Tucannon River for the supplementation program at the 95% confidence interval. Age 4 fish trapped for the supplementation program (both hatchery and wild origin) had significantly higher fecundities than Age 4 captive brood females ( $P < 0.001$ ) (Figure 8). Wild origin fish had significantly higher fecundities than hatchery origin fish trapped in the river for the supplementation program ( $P < 0.05$ ).



**Figure 8.** Mean fecundity (with 95% confidence intervals) of Age 4 captive, wild, and hatchery origin spawned females, 2001.

Egg size (g/egg) has been tracked in the supplementation program since 1990. Mean egg size was significantly different at the 95% confidence level between Age 4 hatchery origin fish and Age 4 wild origin fish from the supplementation program ( $P < 0.05$ ), but neither were significantly different in size from Age 4 captive brood eggs ( $P > 0.05$ ) (Figure 9).



**Figure 9.** Mean egg size (g/egg) with 95% confidence intervals for Age 3 and 4 captive brood spawners in 2001 compared to Age 4 fish from the supplementation program, 1990-2001.

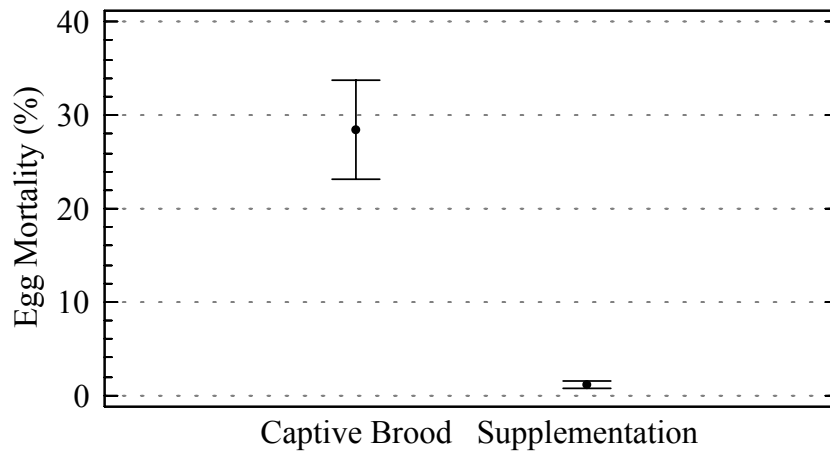
Surprisingly, mean egg size was not significantly different between Age 4 captive broodstock and Age 4 supplementation fish even though captive broodstock females were significantly smaller ( $P < 0.001$ ) (Table 5). Captive brood females may be able to allocate more energy into producing larger eggs.

**Table 5.** Comparison of mean fork length (cm) and mean egg size (g/egg) from female captive broodstock (2001) and female supplementation broodstock (1990-2001).

Female Origin (Age)	N	Mean Fork Length (cm)	S.D.	Mean Egg Size (g/egg)	S.D.	Range
Captive Brood (Age 3)	40	45.7	2.93	0.19	0.02	0.15-0.25
Captive Brood (Age 4)	125	53.6	6.31	0.23	0.04	0.15-0.37
Wild Origin (Age 4)	80	71.7	4.19	0.22	0.04	0.15-0.33
Hatchery Origin (Age 4)	131	71.7	3.89	0.24	0.03	0.10-0.32
Wild Origin (Age 5)	58	83.7	4.14	0.27	0.04	0.13-0.35
Hatchery Origin (Age 5)	20	78.1	4.33	0.27	0.04	0.20-0.34

Mortality to the eyed egg stage was significantly higher for captive brood origin eggs than eggs from the supplementation program ( $P < 0.001$ ) (Figure 10). It is unknown why egg mortality was so high for the captive brood fish. It may be nutritionally or hatchery environment related. The effect of male origin (captive or wild) was examined to determine its influence on egg survival, but no statistically significant differences were found ( $P = 0.649$ ).





**Figure 10.** Mean percent egg mortality (with 95% confidence intervals) of captive brood and supplementation origin eggs from the 2001 spawning.

### 2001 Progeny

As of May 1, 2002 we have 171,495 BY 2001 captive brood progeny on hand. A total of 20,592 excess fish were marked as parr (AD/CWT) in April and will be released during early May, 2002 into the Tucannon River (rkm 40-45). This will allow us to stay within our maximum allowed number (150,000) of smolts released during April 2003.

### 2000 Progeny

During April 2002, WDFW volitionally released 3,055 BY 2000 captive broodstock progeny from Curl Lake Acclimation Pond into the Tucannon River. These fish were marked with agency-only wire tag and no fin clips in order to differentiate them from the supplementation fish (CWT/Right Red VI/No Finclip). Monitoring their survival and future releases to adult returns, along with future natural production levels, will determine the success or failure of the captive broodstock program. Due to their large size difference and small number of captive brood progeny released, the 2000 BY captive brood progeny were not PIT tagged for comparisons with the supplementation fish (Table 6).

<b>Table 6.</b> Length and weight statistics of the 2000 brood year supplementation and captive brood progeny sampled on February 19, 2002.						
Origin	N	Mean Length (mm)	Mean Weight (g)	# Fish/lb	Coefficient of Variation	Condition Factor (K)
Supp.	200	120.5	23.3	19.5	12.1	1.28
C.B.	160	163.5	50.8	8.9	10.8	1.13

## DNA Genetic Samples

Since the beginning of the program in 1997, evaluation staff has collected DNA samples from all spring chinook parents that eventually contributed gametes to the captive broodstock population. Additional samples are also collected on an annual basis from other Tucannon River origin spring chinook carcasses to provide a large genetic data set that will describe the population. Opercle punches for DNA analysis were collected from 2001 spawners, including captive brood spawners. All 2001 DNA samples were sent to the WDFW genetics lab in Olympia for baseline microsatellite DNA analysis.

## Coordination and Reporting

Since BPA funding was acquired, WDFW has joined other researchers in a group known as the Captive Broodstock Technical Oversight Committee (CBTOC). The CBTOC Committee brings together all BPA funding projects working with captive broodstock or captive rearing programs to ensure that all groups are coordinated, and communication is occurring between projects. The CBTOC also gives each of the researchers a chance to ask questions about other program's successes and failures, so each respective program can be adapted for better results.

In addition, WDFW formed its own Technical Working Group (TWG), which consists of WDFW project personnel, and representatives from the NPT and CTUIR. The group was formed so that WDFW and co-managers could make unified decisions regarding questions about the Tucannon Spring Chinook captive broodstock program.

To satisfy the ESA Section 10 permit requirements, WDFW also provides NMFS with a monthly update on the captive broodstock and supplementation program activities. This monthly program update is also sent to the co-managers to inform them of fish on hand, mortalities incurred, and any up-coming actions (i.e., sorting of mature fish) that may warrant their attention.

This annual progress report is produced by WDFW to monitor and disseminate the information gathered from this project to other researchers in the Columbia and Snake River basins. Additional reports and papers will also be published in the future following complete returns of all captive brood origin fish back to the Tucannon River.

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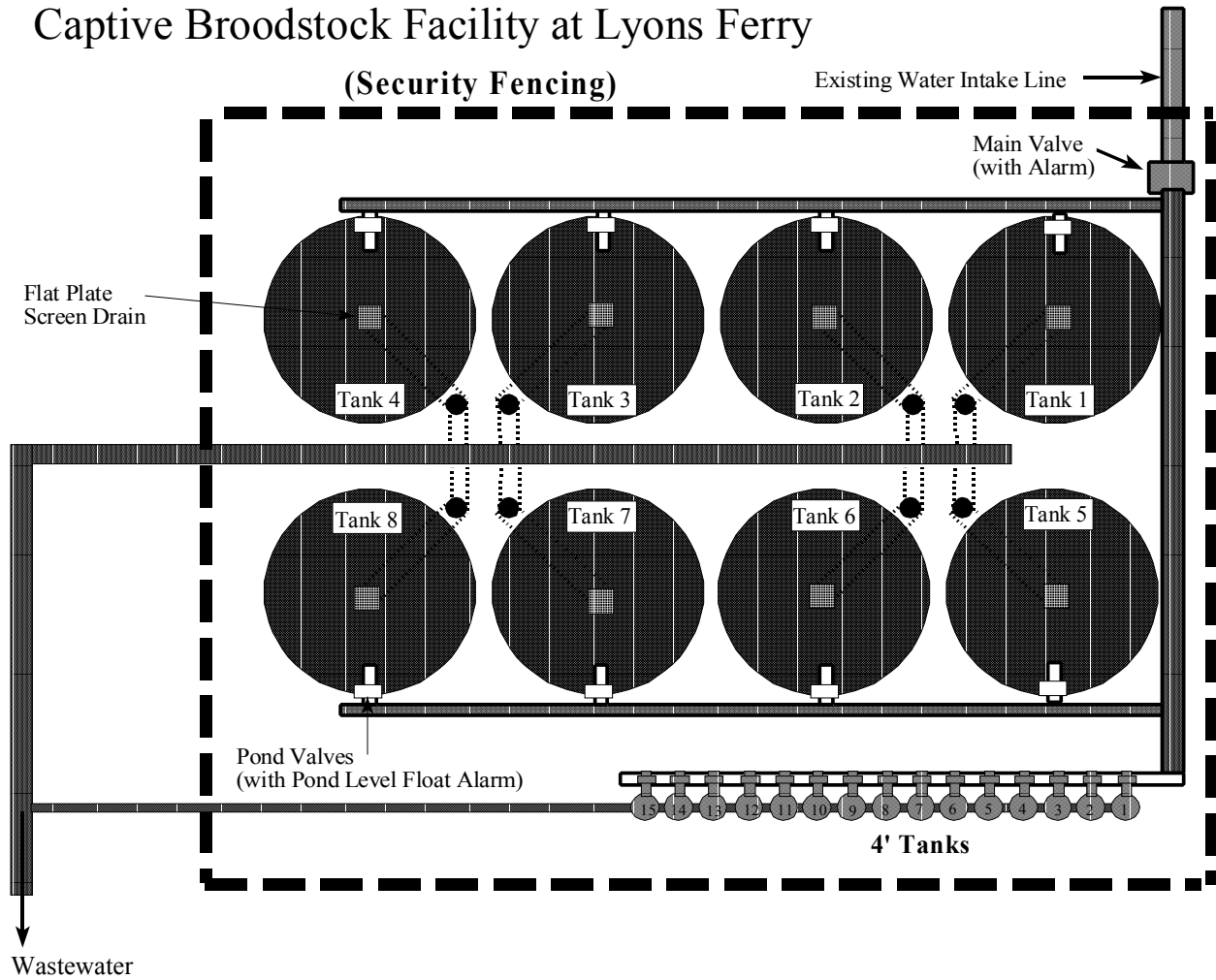
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# APPENDIX A

## Captive Broodstock Facility at Lyons Ferry



## APPENDIX B

**Table 1.** Selection of progeny for the Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock program based on origin, crosses, and BKD ELISA results, 1997 and 1998 BYs.

Brood Year	Eggtake Date	Female Numbers	Male Numbers	Crosses	BKD ELISA*	Tank/Family Number
97	09/16	H885 + H886	W108 + W110	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 1
97	09/16	H889	W116 + W120	Mixed	BL	TANK 2
97	09/23	W958 + W957	H122 + H123	Mixed	BL	TANK 3
97	09/16	W897 + W898	H156 + H199	Mixed	BL	TANK 4
97	09/09	H872 + H871	W159 + W161	Mixed	BL	TANK 5
97	09/09	H873	W163 + W165	Mixed	LOW	TANK 6
97	09/09	W881 + W882	H167 + H175	Mixed	BL	TANK 7
97	09/16	W951 + W952	H149 + H157	Mixed	BL	TANK 8
97	09/09	W874 + W875	H171 + H173	Mixed	BL	TANK 9
97	09/09	W878 + W876	H179 + H181	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 10
97	09/02	W869 + W867	H191 + H193	Mixed	BL	TANK 11
97	09/09	H879	W169 + W177	Mixed	BL	TANK 12
97	09/16	W899	H153 + H154	Mixed	BL	TANK 13
97	09/02	W870	H183 + H185	Mixed	BL	TANK 14
97	09/02	H868	W187 + W189	Mixed	BL	TANK 15
98	08/25	W1003 + W1004	H754 + H753	Mixed	BL	TANK 1
98	08/25	W1005 + W1006	H751 + W131	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 2
98	09/08	W3001 + W3002	H758 + H759	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 3
98	09/08	W3003 + W3004	H755 + H756	Mixed	BL	TANK 4
98	09/08	W3005 + W3006	H757 + H760	Mixed	BL	TANK 5
98	09/08	W3007 + W3008	W128 + W129	Mixed	BL	TANK 6
98	09/08	H3009 + H3010	W130 + W133	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 7
98	09/11	H4001 + H4002	W135 + W134	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 8
98	09/11	W4003 + W4004	H762 + H761	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 9
98	09/11	W4007 + W4008	H767 + H765	Mixed	LOW, BL	TANK 10
98	09/11	W4009 + W4010	H769 + H768	Mixed	BL	TANK 11
98	09/15	W5002	H777 + H773	Mixed	LOW	TANK 12
98	09/15	W5003	H772 + H771	Mixed	LOW	TANK 13
98	09/22	W6005 + W6006	H781 + H780	Mixed	BL	TANK 14
98	09/22	W6007 + W6008	H783 + H782	Mixed	BL	TANK 15

**Table 2.** Selection of progeny for the Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock program based on origin, crosses, and BKD ELISA results, 1999 and 2000 BYs.

Brood Year	Eggtake Date	Female Numbers	Male Numbers	Crosses	BKD ELISA*	Tank/Family Number
99	08/31	H101	H1+H2+H526	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 1
99	09/07	H203	H12+H13+H536	Hatchery	BL	TANK 2
99	09/07	H204	H15+H530+H531	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 3
99	09/07	W205	H18+H532+H533	Mixed	LOW	TANK 4
99	09/07	H206	H528+H529+H534	Hatchery	BL	TANK 5
99	09/07	H212	H19+H20	Hatchery	BL	TANK 6
99	09/14	H305	W31+H571	Mixed	LOW	TANK 7
99	09/14	H306	W21+H576	Mixed	LOW	TANK 8
99	09/14	H307	H40+H550	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 9
99	09/14	H309	H23+H549	Hatchery	BL	TANK 10
99	09/14	H310	H39+H572	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 11
99	09/14	H311	H36+H568	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 12
99	09/14	H312	H24+H544	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 13
99	09/21	H403	H45+H580	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 14
99	09/21	H404	H581+H582+H583	Hatchery	LOW	TANK 15
00	8/29	H102	H1 + H2	Hatchery	BL	TANK 1
00	8/29	H103 + H104	H3 + H4	Hatchery	BL	TANK 2
00	8/29	H105 + W106	H5 + H6	Mixed	BL	TANK 3
00	9/05	H202	W1 + H19	Mixed	BL	TANK 4
00	9/05	H203 + H204	W2 + H7	Mixed	BL	TANK 5
00	9/05	H205 + H206	H8 + H9	Hatchery	BL	TANK 6
00	9/05	H209 + H210	H12 + H13	Hatchery	BL	TANK 7
00	9/05	H211	H14 + H15	Hatchery	BL	TANK 8
00	9/05	H213 + H214	H16 + H17	Hatchery	BL	TANK 9
00	9/05	W215	H10 + H11	Mixed	BL	TANK 10
00	9/12	H301 + H302	H20 + H24	Hatchery	BL	TANK 11
00	9/12	H303 + H304	W3 + H23	Mixed	BL	TANK 12
00	9/12	H308 + H311	W5 + H22	Mixed	BL	TANK 13
00	9/19	W401 + H402	H30 + H31	Mixed	BL	TANK 14
00	9/19	H403 + H404	W6 + H32	Mixed	BL	TANK 15

\* Low = 0.11-0.19 Optical Density; Below Low = < 0.11 Optical Density.

**Table 3.** Selection of progeny for the Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock program based on origin, crosses, and BKD ELISA results, 2001 BY.

Brood Year	Eggtake Date	Female Numbers	Male Numbers	Crosses	BKD ELISA*	Tank/Family Number
01	8/28	H101 + H103	28A2 + BCCC	Mixed	BL	TANK 1
01	9/04	W201 + W203	HM8 + HM9	Mixed	BL	TANK 2
01	9/04	W205 + W207	HM4 + HM5	Mixed	BL	TANK 3
01	9/04	H206 + H208	B2F4 + AAE7	Mixed	BL	TANK 4
01	9/04	W211 + W212	HM3 + HM6	Mixed	BL	TANK 5
01	9/04	H210 + H213	AOFB + DB6E	Mixed	BL	TANK 6
01	9/04	W214 + W220	HM2 + HM7	Mixed	BL	TANK 7
01	9/11	W301 + W303	HM10 + HM11	Mixed	BL	TANK 8
01	9/11	W314	HM16 + HM23	Mixed	BL	TANK 9
01	9/11	W304 + W305	HM12 + HM14	Mixed	BL	TANK 10
01	9/11	W307 + W308	HM13 + HM17	Mixed	BL	TANK 11
01	9/11	H309 + H311	9890 + 2912	Mixed	BL	TANK 12
01	9/11	H312	FEAC + 5F6F	Mixed	BL	TANK 13
01	9/18	W401 + W409	HM25 + HM26	Mixed	BL	TANK 14
01	9/18	W410 + W411	2626 + AF96	Wild	BL	TANK 15

\* Low = 0.11-0.19 Optical Density; Below Low = < 0.11 Optical Density.



## APPENDIX C

Average length (mm), weight (g), and condition factor (K) with standard deviations for each family unit from the 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 BYs of captive broodstock at the time of tagging.

Brood Year	Family Unit	Number of Fish	Mean Length	S.D.	Mean Weight	S.D.	K
1997	1	29	113	7.8	19.4	4.4	1.31
1997	2	14	110	5.2	17.3	2.7	1.29
1997	3	31	125	9.1	28.4	6.0	1.44
1997	4	29	118	9.3	22.7	6.0	1.37
1997	5	31	119	9.3	22.7	5.8	1.30
1997	6	30	119	8.6	22.6	5.2	1.33
1997	7	30	117	7.2	21.3	4.3	1.32
1997	8	29	121	10.2	24.8	6.8	1.36
1997	9	30	117	8.1	21.8	5.0	1.32
1997	10	30	115	11.0	19.7	6.1	1.27
1997	11	30	101	6.4	13.1	2.6	1.25
1997	12	30	120	12.5	24.5	8.0	1.38
1997	13	30	121	9.3	24.4	6.6	1.34
1997	14	30	112	6.2	18.8	3.2	1.33
1997	15	30	109	9.6	18.7	4.8	1.41
<b>Totals / Means</b>		<b>433</b>	<b>116</b>	<b>10.5</b>	<b>21.5</b>	<b>6.4</b>	<b>1.34</b>

1998	1	30	120	15.6	22.3	8.6	1.23
1998	2	29	108	10.0	15.9	5.0	1.25
1998	3	30	112	13.1	18.6	7.8	1.26
1998	4	30	112	11.5	17.7	6.4	1.24
1998	5	30	117	16.0	20.5	9.9	1.20
1998	6	28	117	15.0	21.6	11.0	1.26
1998	7	32	120	18.0	23.2	11.6	1.26
1998	8	30	129	12.0	26.5	7.8	1.21
1998	9	30	121	16.9	23.0	9.9	1.24
1998	10	28	130	9.0	26.0	4.9	1.18
1998	11	25	120	13.6	22.3	7.7	1.26
1998	12	31	127	10.1	24.0	4.9	1.16
1998	13	29	122	11.4	22.0	6.7	1.19
1998	14	27	120	13.2	21.6	7.7	1.20
1998	15	29	138	11.0	30.3	6.7	1.14
<b>Totals / Means</b>		<b>438</b>	<b>121</b>	<b>15.2</b>	<b>22.4</b>	<b>8.7</b>	<b>1.22</b>

1999	1	27	147	14.6	41.1	11.3	1.25
1999	2	28	138	13.1	35.7	8.9	1.34
1999	3	28	133	11.6	33.9	11.3	1.42
1999	4	30	145	8.9	39.2	6.7	1.27
1999	5	25	136	15.8	35.4	11.8	1.34
1999	6	30	136	10.7	33.8	8.9	1.32
1999	7	27	129	20.9	30.0	14.8	1.29
1999	8	29	129	12.0	29.9	9.0	1.35
1999	9	25	128	16.3	29.3	11.6	1.33
1999	10	23	130	18.9	31.0	14.4	1.32
1999	11	23	137	13.1	36.0	10.7	1.37
1999	12	28	141	13.5	38.4	10.2	1.33
1999	13	30	133	13.9	31.9	9.1	1.34
1999	14	30	133	10.7	31.6	7.6	1.32
1999	15	26	132	16.6	34.1	14.1	1.39
<b>Totals / Means</b>		<b>409</b>	<b>135</b>	<b>15.1</b>	<b>34.1</b>	<b>11.2</b>	<b>1.33</b>

**Appendix C (cont.).** Average length (mm), weight (g), and condition factor (K) with standard deviations for each family unit from the 1997, 1998, 1999 and 2000 BYs of captive broodstock at the time of tagging.

Brood Year	Family Unit	Number of Fish	Mean Length	S.D.	Mean Weight	S.D.	K
2000	1	30	164	11.8	52.3	8.4	1.19
2000	2	30	157	11.1	45.5	8.1	1.16
2000	3	30	152	10.1	37.9	5.9	1.08
2000	4	30	152	11.0	43.0	8.0	1.20
2000	5	30	152	8.4	38.6	5.9	1.09
2000	6	30	138	11.3	31.2	6.1	1.18
2000	7	30	140	10.1	31.4	5.4	1.14
2000	8	30	147	8.4	35.0	5.4	1.10
2000	9	30	151	9.5	37.3	6.3	1.07
2000	10	30	151	7.7	37.4	5.7	1.08
2000	11	30	143	13.9	34.9	8.3	1.18
2000	12	30	147	9.1	35.4	5.2	1.12
2000	13	30	144	13.5	34.1	8.7	1.13
2000	14	30	136	9.4	27.1	4.5	1.08
2000	15	30	132	10.8	25.1	5.1	1.10
<b>Totals / Means</b>		<b>450</b>	<b>147</b>	<b>13.4</b>	<b>36.4</b>	<b>9.4</b>	<b>1.13</b>

## APPENDIX D

**Table 1.** Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock mortalities by family unit, sex, age, and maturity for the 1997 Brood Year.

Family Unit	N	Males										Females										Total Mort. <sup>1</sup>	% Mort. <sup>2</sup>			
		Age 1		Age 2		Age 3		Age 4		Age 5		Age 1		Age 2		Age 3		Age 4		Age 5						
		IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA			SP		
1	29	1	4	6	1	1	1																	27	93	
2	14		4	1	1	2																			14	100
3	31	3	4	3	3																				23	74
4	29	2	4	10																					30	103
5	31		8	7	1	1																			30	97
6	30	2	13	1	1	1																			32	107
7	30	1	5	5	1	1																			27	90
8	29		14	1	1																				28	97
9	30	2	6	5	2																				31	103
10	30	1	7	5	5																				31	103
11	30	1	3	6	1	1																			31	103
12	30	2	5	4																					29	97
13	30	1	7	4	4																				26	87
14	30	1	1	13	1	1																			27	90
15	30	1	7	2																					27	90
Totals	433	1	19	92	1	73	8	1	3	11															413	95

IM = Immature, MA = Mature, SP = Spawning

<sup>1</sup>Totals include 3 fish of unknown sex.

<sup>2</sup>Some percentages higher than 100% due to misreading of visible implant tags.

**Appendix D, Table 2.** Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock mortalities by family unit, sex, age, and maturity for the 1998 Brood Year.

Family Unit	N	Males												Females												Total Mort. <sup>1</sup>	% Mort.
		Age 1		Age 2		Age 3		Age 4		Age 5		Age 1		Age 2		Age 3		Age 4		Age 5							
		IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA	IM	MA				
1	30		12			1																			14	47	
2	29		9																							16	55
3	30		11																							19	63
4	30		1	10			1																			21	70
5	30			8																						18	60
6	28		2	5																						15	54
7	32		1	8																						18	56
8	30		1	9																						19	63
9	30			5			1																			14	47
10	28			15																						26	93
11	25			10			2																			20	80
12	31	1	11																							23	74
13	29		1	8																						17	59
14	27		1	10																						14	52
15	29	3	11																							25	86
Totals	438	4	7	142	2	4	53																			279	64

IM = Immature, MA = Mature, SP = Spawned

<sup>1</sup>Totals include 8 fish of unknown sex.

**Appendix D, Table 3.** Tucannon River spring chinook captive broodstock mortalities by family unit, sex, age, and maturity for the 1999 Brood Year.

Family Unit	N	Males												Females						Total Mort.	% Mort.					
		Age 1			Age 2			Age 3			Age 4			Age 5			Age 4					Age 5				
		IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP	IM	MA	SP			IM	MA	SP		
1	27			3																				9	33	
2	28	1	6	1																					8	29
3	28		4	2																					6	21
4	30	1	3	4																					4	13
5	25		3	4																					7	28
6	30		5	2																					7	23
7	27		5	5																					5	19
8	29		3	2																					5	17
9	25		5	2																					7	28
10	23		4	1																					5	22
11	23		4	1																					5	22
12	28		4	4																					4	14
13	30	1	7	1																					9	30
14	30		5	1																					5	17
15	26		1	1																					2	8
Totals	409	1	2	65	20																				88	22

IM = Immature, MA = Mature, SP = Spawned

## APPENDIX E

**Table 1.** Fork length (cm) and weight (g) statistics for male, female, and both sexes combined by brood year for mature captive brood fish sampled during spawning, 2001.

Brood Year	Sex	N	Mean Length (cm)	Range	S.D.	Mean Wt. (g)	Range	S.D.
1997	M	12	50.3	42.0-60.5	6.3	1781.9	862.6-3041.8	761.9
1997	F	137	52.8	37.0-66.0	6.8	2250.4	726.4-4449.2	799.9
1997	Both	149	52.6	37.0-66.0	6.7	2211.9	726.4-4449.2	804.8
1998	M	56	41.1	31.5-48.5	3.5	903.1	363.2-1452.8	236.3
1998	F	44	45.4	39.5-51.0	2.9	1300.8	862.6-1952.2	256.2
1998	Both	100	43.0	31.5-51.0	3.9	1075.8	363.2-1952.2	314.2
1999	M	20	31.4	25.5-40.5	4.1	488.1	227.0-1135.0	237.5

S.D. = Standard Deviation

**Table 2.** Length-weight relationship for male, female, and both sexes combined by brood year for the captive brood used for spawning in 2001.

Brood Year	Sex	Length-Weight Relationship	r <sup>2</sup>	Probability
1997	Female	Fork Length (cm) = 35.571 + 0.0078 x Wt (g)	0.88	< 0.01
1997	Male	Fork Length (cm) = 35.904 + 0.0081 x Wt (g)	0.97	< 0.01
1997	Combined	Fork Length (cm) = 35.712 + 0.0077 x Wt (g)	0.89	< 0.01
1998	Female	Fork Length (cm) = 34.685 + 0.0083 x Wt (g)	0.51	< 0.01
1998	Male	Fork Length (cm) = 28.732 + 0.0137 x Wt (g)	0.86	< 0.01
1998	Combined	Fork Length (cm) = 31.113 + 0.0110 x Wt (g)	0.79	< 0.01
1999	Male	Fork Length (cm) = 23.201 + 0.0168 x Wt (g)	0.96	< 0.01

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