

April 23, 2019

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary:

Salmon/Steelhead:

- **Above Bonneville Dam: Effective April 1 through May 5;** Open for bank fishing with hand casted lines only from Bonneville Dam upstream to the Tower Island power lines (approximately 6 miles below The Dalles Dam) plus boat and bank fishing from the Tower Island power lines upstream to the Oregon/Washington border (except for those waters closed under permanent regulations).
 - Daily limit is 6 adipose fin-clipped salmonids, including no more than 2 adults of which no more than 1 may be an adult chinook. Release all wild chinook and wild steelhead.
- **Wind River:** Effective April 1, 2019 until further notice, from the mouth to 400 feet downstream of Shipherd Falls fish ladder: The adult daily limit is 1 hatchery spring Chinook or 2 hatchery steelhead or 1 of each.
- **Wind River:** Effective May 1, 2019 until further notice, from 100' above Shipherd Falls to 800 yards downstream of Carson National Fish Hatchery: The adult daily limit is 1 spring Chinook or 2 hatchery steelhead or 1 of each.
- **Drano Lake:** Daily limit 2 hatchery spring Chinook or 2 hatchery steelhead or 1 of each. Release all wild chinook and wild steelhead. Closed to angling on Wednesdays beginning April 10, 2019.
- **Klickitat River:** Effective April 1, 2019 until further notice, from the mouth to Fisher Hill Bridge: the adult salmon daily limit is one fish.
- **Klickitat River:** Effective May 25, 2019 until further notice, from 400 feet upstream from #5 fishway to boundary markers below Klickitat Salmon hatchery: the daily salmon limit is 6 fish, of which only 1 may be an adult.

Sturgeon:

- Buoy 10 upstream to McNary Dam including adjacent tributaries: Closed to retention of white sturgeon but remains open for catch and release fishing only.

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Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream: 39 bank rods released 3 Chinook and kept 1 steelhead..

Above the I-5 Br: 15 bank rods kept 1 steelhead. 25 boats/80 rods released 2 Chinook and kept 8 steelhead and released 2 steelhead.

Last week, Tacoma Power employees recovered 432 winter-run steelhead adults, 13 spring Chinook adults and one cutthroat trout during five days of operations at the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery separator.

During the past week Tacoma Power employees released 27 winter-run steelhead adults and one cutthroat trout into the Tilton River at Gust Backstrom Park in Morton and they released 21 winter-run steelhead adults and two spring Chinook adults into Lake Scanewa located in Randle.

Tacoma Power tagged and recycled 114 winter-run steelhead adults to the lower river.

River flows at Mayfield Dam are approximately 2,990 cubic feet per second on Monday, April 22. Water visibility is 10 feet and the water temperature is 47.8 F.

Kalama River – 27 bank anglers had no catch. 10 boats/18 rods kept 3 Chinook and released 2 steelhead.

Lewis River – 9 bank anglers had no catch. 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

Wind River– 1 bank angler had no catch. 10 boats/15 rods kept 1 Chinook and released 1 Chinook.

Drano Lake – 16 boats/27 rods kept 1 Chinook.

❖ **Tributaries not listed: Creel checks not conducted.**

Catchable Trout Plants:

<u>Lake/Pond</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Number</u>	<u>Fish/lb</u>	<u>Hatchery</u>
Horseshoe (COWLITZ)	April 17, 2019	Rainbow	3,360	2.80	Mossyrock
Kress Lake (COWLITZ)	April 17, 2019	Rainbow	3,080	2.80	Mossyrock
Battle Ground (CLARK)	April 15, 2019	Rainbow	2,000	1.90	Vancouver
Sacajawea (COWLITZ)	April 15, 2019	Rainbow	3,375	2.51	Goldendale