

September 30, 2019

## Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

### Updates:

#### SALMON & STEELHEAD

##### *Columbia River Mainstem*

- **Buoy 10 upstream to Rocky Point/Tongue Point**, September 25, 2019 through September 30, 2019: Release all steelhead.
- **Rocky Point/Tongue Point upstream to Bonneville Dam**, Effective September 26, 2019 through October 31, 2019: Closed to angling for and retention of salmon and steelhead.
- **Bonneville Dam upstream to Hwy 395 Bridge in Pasco, WA**, Effective September 26, 2019 through December 31, 2019: Closed to angling for and retention of salmon and steelhead.

##### *Columbia River Tributaries*

- **Cowlitz River**: Until further notice, the closed waters section below the Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery Barrier Dam is 400 feet, at the posted markers.
- **Green River**: from the mouth to Miner's Creek, effective through November 30, 2019: the salmon daily limit is 6 hatchery fish; up to 4 hatchery adults may be retained, of which only 1 may be a hatchery Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook and hatchery coho. The area from 400 feet below to 400 feet above the water intake at the upper end of the hatchery is closed waters.
- **Toutle and NF Toutle Rivers**: from the mouth of the Toutle River upstream to the posted markers below the fish collection facility, effective through November 30, 2019: the salmon daily limit is 6 hatchery fish; up to 4 hatchery adults may be retained, of which only 1 may be a hatchery Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook and hatchery coho.
- **Washougal River**: from the mouth to the bridge at Salmon Falls, effective through December 31, 2019: the salmon daily limit is 6 hatchery fish; up to 3 hatchery adults may be retained, of which only 1 may be a hatchery Chinook. The hatchery steelhead daily limit is 3 fish. The area from 1,000 feet below, or posted markers, to 200 feet above the temporary weir located at the County Line Access site is 'Closed Waters' when the weir is installed.
- **Wind River**: From the mouth to 400 feet downstream of Shipherd Falls fish ladder, effective through September 30, 2019: release all steelhead. From 100 feet above Shipherd Falls to Moore Bridge, effective through November 30, 2019: closed to all fishing.
- **Drano Lake**: Effective September 29, 2019 until further notice: closed waters.

- **White Salmon River:** From the mouth to the county road bridge below the former location of the powerhouse: Effective through September 30, 2019: release all steelhead.
- **Klickitat River:** From the mouth to Fisher Hill Bridge, effective through September 30, 2019: release all steelhead.

### **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.

## **Fishery Reports:**

### **Salmon/Steelhead:**

#### ***Columbia River Tributaries***

**Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream** – 56 bank rods released 1 Chinook and 1 coho jack. 65 boats/159 rods kept 41 coho, 9 coho jacks and released 49 Chinook, 4 Chinook jacks, 39 coho, 13 coho jacks and 1 steelhead.

**Above the I-5 Br** – 36 bank rods kept 5 coho and released 14 Chinook and 2 Chinook jacks. 4 boats/14 rods kept 1 coho, 6 steelhead and released 5 Chinook, 2 coho and 10 coho jacks.

**Kalama River** – 6 bank anglers had no catch. 1 boat/1 rod had no catch.

**Lewis River** – 75 bank anglers released 2 Chinook, 1 Chinook jack and 1 coho. 5 boats/11 rods kept 3 coho and 1 coho jack.

**Washougal River**– 10 bank anglers had no catch. 4 boats/9 rods released 3 Chinook.

**Wind River** – 12 boats/16 rods kept 1 Chinook, 9 coho and released 1 Chinook, 10 coho and 3 steelhead.

**Drano Lake** – 4 bank anglers had no catch. 15 boats/42 rods kept 28 Chinook, 5 Chinook jacks and released 6 Chinook.

**Klickitat below Fisher Hill Bridge** – 75 bank anglers kept 38 Chinook, 1 Chinook jack, 1 coho and released 1 Chinook. 1 boat/2 rods kept 1 Chinook.

**Klickitat above #5 Fishway** – 14 bank anglers kept 2 Chinook and released 1 Chinook.

**Sturgeon:**

**Cowlitz River – I-5 Br downstream** – 26 bank rods had no catch. 22 boats/65 rods kept 5 legal sturgeon and released 12 sublegal and 3 oversize sturgeon.

**Pikeminnow Sport – Reward Fishery Program:**

The program operates from May 1 to September 30 in the lower Columbia River (mouth to Priest Rapids Dam) and the Snake River (mouth to Hells Canyon Dam). <http://www.pikeminnow.org/>

<b>Northern Pikeminnow Sport-Reward Fishery 2019</b>			
<b><u>Weekly Catch</u></b>			
<b>Sept 23-29, 2019</b>			
<b>Station</b>	<b>\$500 Tags</b>	<b>Total NPM</b>	<b>CPUE</b>
<b>Cathlamet</b>	0	1,612	14.0
<b>Willow Grove</b>	0	73	6.6
<b>Rainier</b>	0	108	5.4
<b>Kalama</b>	0	64	10.7
<b>Ridgefield</b>	1	231	12.1
<b>Gleason</b>	0	717	21.1
<b>Chinook Landing</b>	0	64	4.0
<b>Washougal</b>	0	670	17.2
<b>Beacon Rock</b>	0	274	45.7
<b>Cascade Locks</b>	1	292	16.2
<b>Bingen</b>	0	0	0.0
<b>The Dalles</b>	0	3	0.3
<b>Giles French</b>	0	94	10.4
<b>Umatilla</b>	0	128	32.0
<b>Columbia Point</b>	1	14	0.9
<b>Vernita</b>	0	89	3.6
<b>Lyon's Ferry</b>	0	1	0.3
<b>Boyer Park</b>	0	225	4.5
<b>Greenbelt</b>	0	567	9.9

Preliminary Washington lower Columbia River mainstem sport sampling summary

Month/Week	Salmonid											Chinook											
	Sec.	Bank Anglers	Kept Adults	Jacks	Released Adults	Jacks	Steelhead Kept	Rel.	Coho Kept	Rel.	Other	# Boats	Boat Anglers	Kept Adults	Jacks	Released Adults	Jacks	Steelhead Kept	Rel.	Coho Kept	Rel.	Other	
Sept 23-29, 2019	1	4	CLOSED	CLOSED	0	0	CLOSED	0	0	0	0												
Bonneville	2		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					11	16	CLOSED	CLOSED	3	0	CLOSED	0	3	0	0	
Camas/Washougal	3		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED							CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					
I-5 area	4		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					4	7	CLOSED	CLOSED	5	0	CLOSED	0	0	1	6	
Vancouver	5		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					1	2	CLOSED	CLOSED	0	0	CLOSED	0	0	0	0	
Woodland	6	6	CLOSED	CLOSED	3	0	CLOSED	0	0	0	0	6	17	CLOSED	CLOSED	2	0	CLOSED	0	3	0	0	
Kalama	7		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					3	6	CLOSED	CLOSED	2	0	CLOSED	1	4	0	0	
Cowlitz	8	1	CLOSED	CLOSED	0	0	CLOSED	0	0	0	0	2	4	CLOSED	CLOSED	0	0	CLOSED	0	0	2	0	
Longview	9		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED							CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					
Cathlamet	10		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED							CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					
private boats/bank charter	10		CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED							CLOSED	CLOSED			CLOSED					
<b>Total</b>		11	CLOSED	CLOSED	3	0	CLOSED	0	0	0	0	27	52	CLOSED	CLOSED	12	0	CLOSED	1	10	3	6	

Month/Week	Sturgeon							# Boats	Boat Anglers	Sublegals	Legals	Oversize	Legals Kept
	Sec.	Bank Anglers	Sublegals Rel.	Legals Rel.	Oversize Rel.	Legals Kept	Rel.						
Bonneville	1	45	0	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0	0
Camas/Washougal	2						18	41	10	0	0	4	
I-5 area	3												
Vancouver	4	7	0	0	0	0	43	118	22	0	6	1	
Woodland	5	22	0	0	0	0	47	140	21	0	1	5	
Kalama	6	19	0	0	0	0	47	140	24	0	8	3	
Cowlitz	7												
Longview	8	25	0	0	0	1	86	230	27	0	5	7	
Cathlamet	9												
Deep River + Knappton boats	10												
<b>Total</b>		118	0	0	0	1	242	673	104	0	20	20	

Month/Week	Walleye				# Boats	Boat Anglers	Kept	Rel.
	Sec.	Bank Anglers	Kept	Rel.				
Bonneville	1	9	0	0				
Camas/Washougal	2							
I-5 area	3							
Vancouver	4							
Woodland	5							
Kalama	6							
Cowlitz	7							
Longview	8							
Cathlamet	9							
Chinook/Elochoman	10							
<b>Total</b>		9	0	0	0	0	0	0