

July 26, 2021

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Mainstem

Salmon/Steelhead:

Buoy 10 upstream to Megler/Astoria Bridge:

Immediately through July 31, 2021: Closed to angling for and retention of salmon and steelhead.

Megler/Astoria Bridge upstream to Bonneville Dam:

Immediately through July 31, 2021: Daily limit 6, up to 2 adults may be retained of which up to 1 may be a sockeye and up to 1 may be a steelhead. Release all salmon other than sockeye and hatchery jack Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

Bonneville Dam upstream to Hwy. 395 Bridge at Pasco:

Immediately through July 31, 2021: Daily limit 6, up to 2 adults may be retained of which up to 1 may be a sockeye and up to 1 may be a steelhead. Release all salmon other than sockeye and hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

Sturgeon:

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

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

Columbia River Tributaries

Tributary Weir Report: Current status as of July 22, 2021.

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 will start being installed on July 15th

Green River Weir - located at the North Toutle Hatchery will start being installed on July 26th

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

Washougal River Weir - located at the Fords Game Access Site will start being installed on July 26th

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia mainstem Rocky Point/Tongue Point line upstream to Bonneville Dam – 43 salmonid boats and 118 Washington bank rods were tallied during Saturday's (6/24) flight count.

Mainstem Columbia River

Salmon/Steelhead:

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – 26 bank anglers kept one steelhead and released two Chinook and three steelhead. 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal) – 1 boat/2 rods had no catch.

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – 65 bank anglers kept three steelhead and released one Chinook, two jacks and six steelhead.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – Two bank anglers had no catch. 4 boats/10 rods released two steelhead.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – 14 bank anglers had no catch. 4 boats/5 rods kept two steelhead and released one steelhead.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 72 bank anglers kept one jack, three steelhead and released seven steelhead. 5 boats/11 rods released one steelhead.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 2 boats/7 rods kept one steelhead and released one Chinook and one jack.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 88 bank anglers kept six steelhead and released six steelhead. 15 boats/31 rods kept one jack and three steelhead.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – 13 bank anglers kept one steelhead. 6 boats/17 rods kept nine steelhead and released one steelhead.

Sec 10 (Cathlamet) – One bank angler had no catch. 1 boat/4 rods had no catch.

Sturgeon:

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – 1 boat/3 rods had no catch.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – Two bank anglers released one sublegal sturgeon. 1 boat/3 rods released 12 sublegal and three legal sturgeon.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 1 boat/4 rods released two legal sturgeon.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 1 boat/4 rods released two sublegal and one legal sturgeon.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 22 bank rods kept two steelhead. 1 boat/2 rods kept one steelhead.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – 13 bank rods kept two steelhead and one cutthroat. 21 boats/73 rods kept 36 steelhead.

Kalama River – 13 bank rods had no catch.

Lewis River – 12 bank rods kept one steelhead and released one steelhead. 4 boats/5 rods released one Chinook.

Drano Lake – 6 boats/16 rods kept six Chinook and released one Chinook and one steelhead.

Klickitat River below Fisher Hill Bridge – Two bank rods released one steelhead.

Klickitat River above #5 Fishway – No report.