



2020 North of Falcon

Salmon Forecasts

2020 Forecast Meeting Agenda

9:30 – 10:30	<u>Introduction</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome and Introduction• North of Falcon – Setting Salmon Fisheries in 2020• Lifeblood Documentary• SRKW Update	Kyle Adicks Julie Watson
10:30 – 11:30	<u>Salmon Forecasts 2020</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 2019/20 Environmental Outlook• Puget Sound and Coast Chinook, Coho, Chum, Sockeye Stocks• Columbia River Salmon Stocks• PFM Salmon Technical Team Review	Marisa Litz Mickey Agha Tim Sippel Kyle Vandegraaf
11:30 – Noon	<u>Regional Discussion Sessions</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Puget Sound Recreational Big Room• Columbia River & Ocean Room 172• Coastal Room 682• Puget Sound Commercial Room 175	Mark, Derek, Dave S Ryan, Kyle(s), Tim, Chad, Mike Kwasi, Dave L, Mickey
Noon – 1:00 pm	Lunch Break	
1:00 – 3:00	<u>Regional Discussion Sessions Continued</u>	

Slides Available Online: <http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/north-falcon/>

2020 NOF Meeting Schedule

Date	Purpose	Location
Feb. 27	Willapa Bay – Grays Harbor Forecast meeting	Montesano City Hall
Feb. 28	Statewide Forecast Meeting	DSHS Office Building 2 Auditorium, Olympia
Mar. 3-9	Pacific Fishery Management Council meeting	Double Tree Hilton Sonoma, Rohnert Park, CA
Mar. 12	Willapa Bay Fisheries Discussion	Raymond Elks Lodge
Mar. 16	North of Falcon 1	Lacey Community Center
Mar. 17	Columbia River Fisheries Discussion	WDFW Region 5 Headquarters, Ridgefield
Mar. 18	Snake River Fisheries Discussion	Walla Walla Community College Clarkston
Mar. 19	Puget Sound Recreational Fisheries Discussion	Trinity United Methodist Church, Sequim
Mar. 19	Mid Columbia Fisheries Discussion	Richland Public Library
Mar. 20	Upper Columbia River Fisheries Discussion	Douglas County PUD, Wenatchee
Mar. 23	Public Hearing on Ocean Salmon Management Options	Westport, WA
Mar. 24	Grays Harbor Fisheries Discussion	Montesano City Hall, Montesano
Mar. 25	Puget Sound Recreational Fisheries Discussion	WDFW Region 4 Headquarters, Mill Creek
Mar. 31	Second North of Falcon Meeting	Lynnwood Embassy Suites
Apr. 1	Columbia River and Ocean Fisheries Discussion	Region 5 Headquarters, Ridgefield
Apr. 3-10	Final Pacific Fishery Management Council Meeting	Hilton Vancouver, Vancouver, WA

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Handouts

- Agenda/Schedule
- FWC Policies (NOF Policy)
- PFMC Tables
- Regional Forecast Details:
 - Puget Sound and Columbia Chinook
 - Puget Sound Coho
 - Puget Sound Chum & Sockeye
- Presentation slides (Available Online:
<http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/management/north-falcon/>)

Lifeblood



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AWjkgVJ2s0s>

Washington Southern Resident Killer Whale Recovery Update

Julie Watson, PhD, Killer Whale Policy Lead
Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

February 2020



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Intervention for the Southern Residents: SRKW Task Force



Governor Inslee takes action

Task Force

Charge:

Provide
recommendations for
addressing all major
threats to Southern
Resident orcas



Task Force Priorities

Prey availability (salmon)
Contaminants
Disturbance and noise
Funding for implementation

Growing human population
Climate change

Year 2



2018 Recommendations

36 recommendations

- ✓ Prey - 16 recommendations
- ✓ Vessels - 10 recommendations
- ✓ Contaminants - 10 recommendations



**4 Governor Bills;
Budget Requests**

2019 legislative session



Year 2: Task Force Conclusion

- Final Task Force Meeting- Oct. 7, 2019
- Final Task Force Report- Nov. 8, 2019





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Two New Goals

Goal 5: Reduce the **threat from climate change, including ocean acidification**, to Southern Residents, the region's biodiversity and, ultimately, the wellbeing of Washington's people and economy.



Prey Availability (Climate)

Accelerate action to increase resiliency of salmon populations

Recommendation 45: Mitigate the impact of a changing climate by accelerating and increasing action to increase the resiliency and vitality of salmon populations and the ecosystems on which they depend.

- Fully implement and fund salmon recovery plans to improve climate resiliency against sea level rise, changes in precipitation, increased stream temperatures and ocean acidification. Where needed, adaptively manage and incorporate climate adaptation and resilience strategies in regional and watershed-scale recovery plans.
- Increase fish access to cold water habitats and refugia. Selectively remove, design and retrofit infrastructure (e.g., dams, culverts, dikes, rail lines, hatcheries, fish passage) to ensure long-term climate resiliency in the face of future changes in flows and water temperatures.
- Significantly increase the scale and scope of investment in habitat protection and restoration projects that focus on habitat diversity and complexity. Increase the diversity and resiliency of wild and hatchery salmon stocks.
- Ensure diverse wild and hatchery salmon populations to create more climate-resilient fish. Adaptively manage habitat restoration and hatcheries to account for and mitigate against climate change impacts such as water flow, water temperature and sea level rise. Changes may affect the location, type or operation of hatchery facilities.

Implementation details

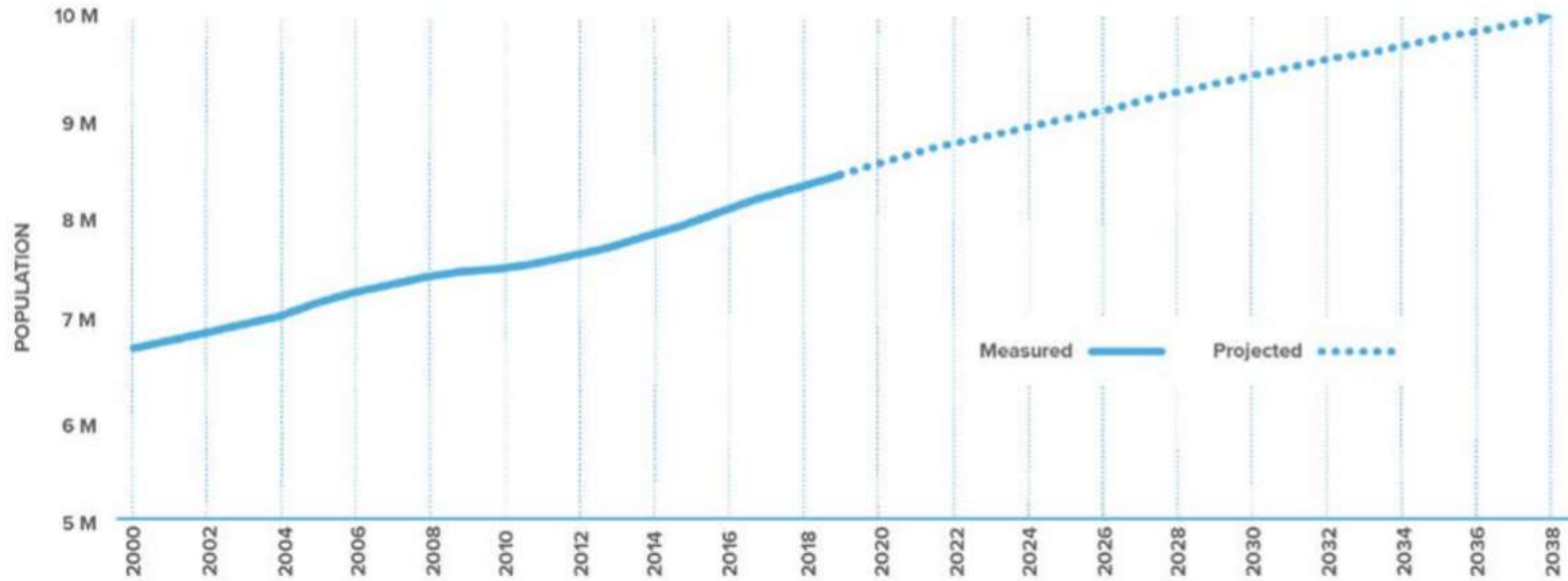
In addition to the implementation details below, Year One Recommendations 1-9 address (1) preserving, restoring and protecting habitat, (2) expanding hatchery production, (3) re-establishing salmon runs above existing dams, (4) increasing spill over dams and (5) establishing a stakeholder process to examine the future of the Lower Snake River dams. These recommendations further the resiliency and productivity of the ecosystem and salmon populations, while providing a buffer against future adverse impacts of increased air and water temperatures, changing stream flows and sea level rise:

- Fully fund salmon recovery plans as written to ensure implementation. Increase funding as needed and look for opportunities to frontload investments to address the urgency of climate change, which exacerbates existing threats to salmon. Identify new funding



Figure 5. Washington population growth from 2000, projected to 2038 [39].

Washington State Population 2000-2038



Two New Goals

Goal 6: Reduce the **threats from population growth and development** on the important habitats, sensitive ecosystems and food webs that Southern Residents orcas rely on.



Prey Availability (Population Growth)

Goal 6: Reduce the threat that population growth and development pose to the critical habitat and sensitive ecosystems that Southern Residents and their food web they rely upon

Prevent further degradation of critical habitat and sensitive ecosystems associated with human population growth and development

Recommendation 48: Adopt and implement policies, incentives and regulations for future growth and development to prevent any further degradation of critical habitat and sensitive ecosystems; enable and channel population growth in ways that result in net ecological gain; evaluate and report outcomes for all jurisdictions at the state, county, tribal and municipal level.

- Net ecological gain in this context refers to taking actions through development and land management that result in improvement to the quality and quantity of the functions of the natural environment. Key elements include:

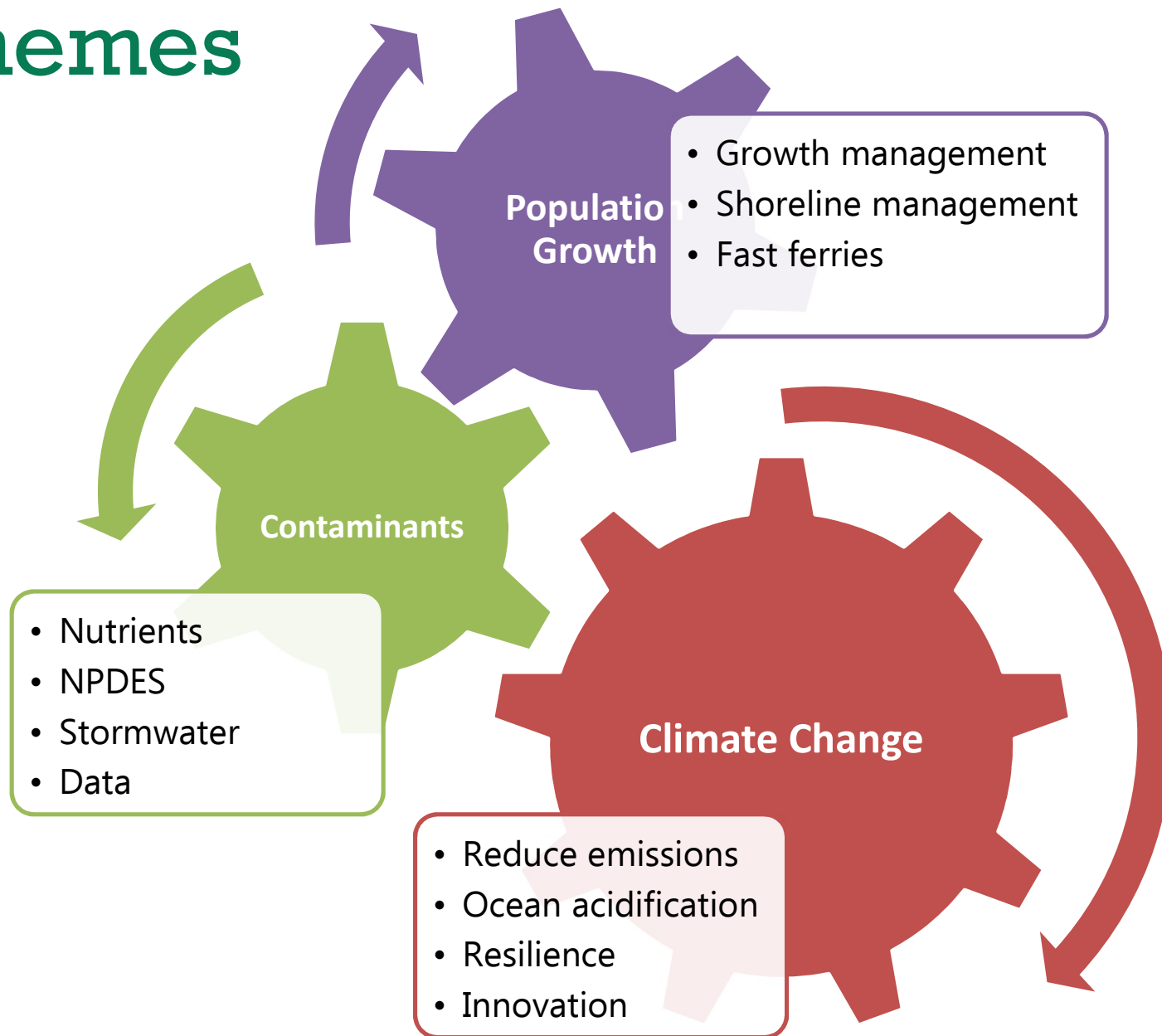


Task Force Year 2 results & 13 new recommendations

- Doubling down on 2018 recommendations
- Climate change (5)
- Population growth & development (2)
- Emergent issues: contaminants (5)
- Life beyond the Task Force (1)



Themes



Report

https://www.governor.wa.gov/sites/default/files/OrcaTaskForce_FinalReportandRecommendations_11.07.19.pdf



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What's next?

Legislative session

Implementation continues

Life after the Task Force



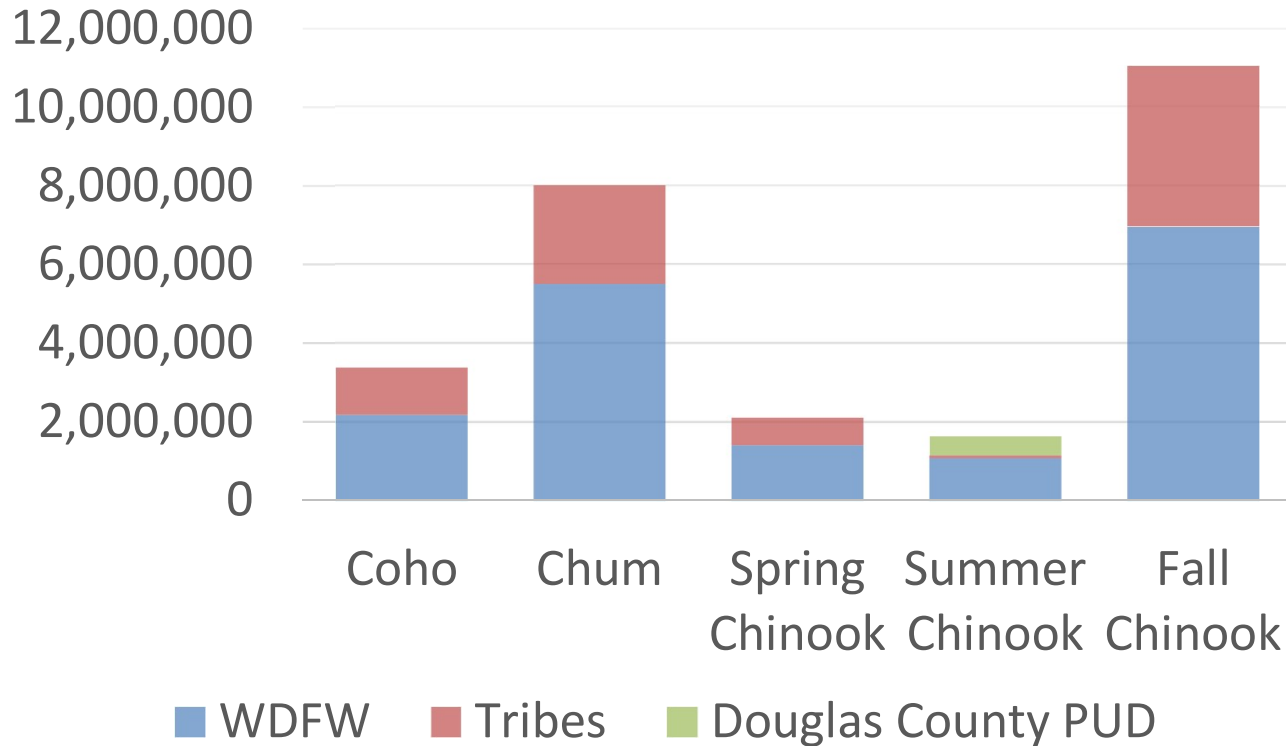


WDFW Implementation of 2018 SRKW Task Force Recommendations

Producing Prey



HATCHERY PRODUCTION: 2019 BROOD YEAR



Total fish:
26,150,200



On the Water



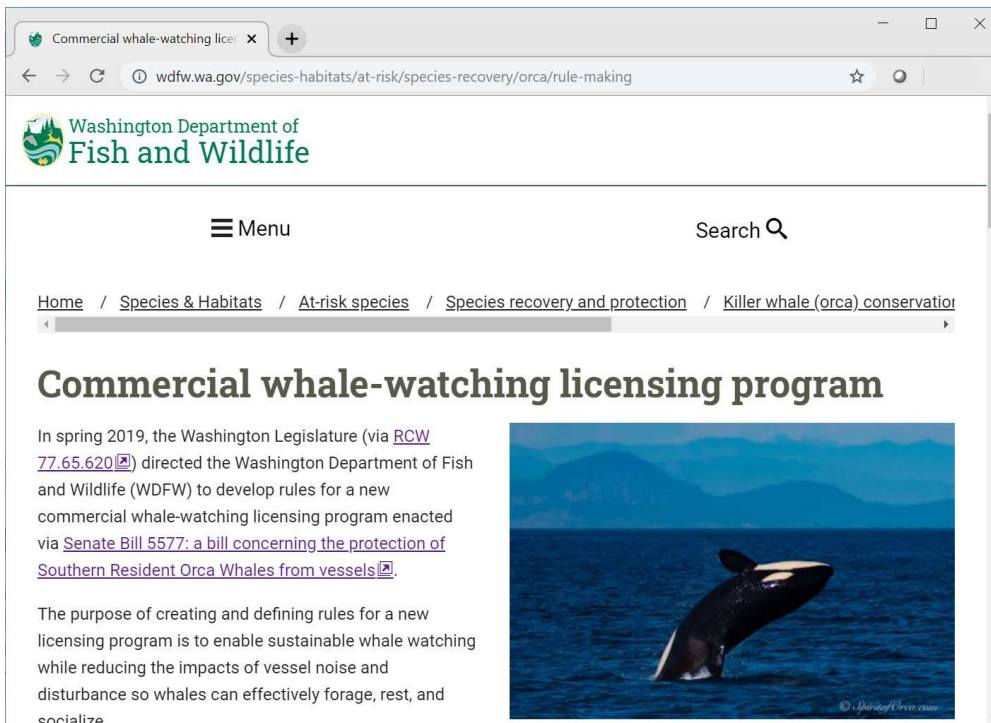
Elaine Thompson AP Photo from July 31, 2015

- 105 whale patrols
- No violations issued, ~dozen warnings
- Increased outreach and education efforts



Commercial Whale Watching

Licensing program rulemaking
underway: rules adopted by 1/1/21



The screenshot shows a web browser window with the URL wdfw.wa.gov/species-habitats/at-risk/species-recovery/orca/rule-making. The page header includes the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife logo and a search bar. The breadcrumb trail reads: Home / Species & Habitats / At-risk species / Species recovery and protection / Killer whale (orca) conservation. The main heading is "Commercial whale-watching licensing program". The text states: "In spring 2019, the Washington Legislature (via [RCW 77.65.620](#)) directed the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) to develop rules for a new commercial whale-watching licensing program enacted via [Senate Bill 5577: a bill concerning the protection of Southern Resident Orca Whales from vessels](#). The purpose of creating and defining rules for a new licensing program is to enable sustainable whale watching while reducing the impacts of vessel noise and disturbance so whales can effectively forage, rest, and socialize." To the right of the text is a photograph of an orca breaching the water.

- Advisory committee
- Intergovernmental coordination group
- Independent scientific panel



Protecting Habitat



Rulemaking initiated:
HPA single family
residence exemption

Seeking civil
enforcement capacity
in supplemental
budget



Salmon Predation

- Warm water piscivorous fish rulemaking complete
- New limits in effect (2/18/20)



Salmon Predation

- Co-Managers Workshop- 11/1
- 2nd Transboundary Pinniped Science Workshop 11/20-21
- Columbia River recommendation- not funded, but included in WDFW supplemental budget request



Dams and Barriers

- Barrier analysis
- Fishways, flows, and screenings rulemaking



WDFW Implementation

- Supplemental budget request
- Ongoing support for implementation for SRKW



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Southern Resident Killer Whales & Fisheries

- In April 2019, the Pacific Fishery Management Council tasked an Ad-Hoc Workgroup with reassessing the effects of Council-area ocean salmon fisheries on Southern Resident Killer Whales
- Workgroup has held series of public meetings, and drafted a Risk Assessment Framework – available on the Briefing Book page for the March Council meeting -
<https://www.pcouncil.org/documents/2020/02/e-3-a-srkw-workgroup-report-1-electronic-only.pdf/>
- The Workgroup recommendation is to continue Workgroup process to develop potential Fishery Management Plan measures for SRKW based on the risk assessment
- NMFS will provide their annual guidance letter for 2020 to Council soon, and will include measures to protect SRKW. NMFS has been involved in the Workgroup's development of the risk assessment document, and will likely use that information in developing 2020 measures in guidance letter.



Questions?



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Update on Environmental Conditions

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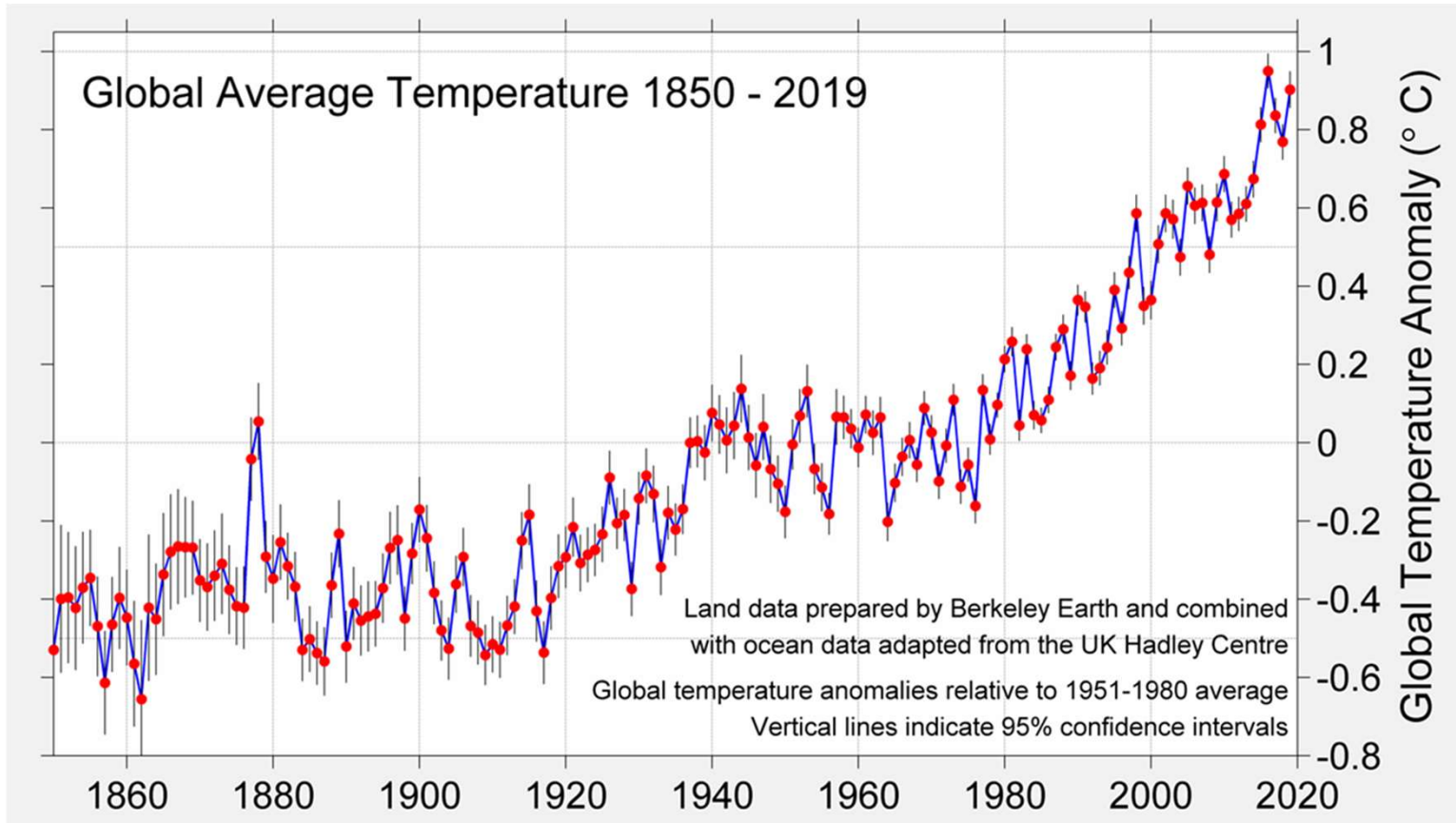
Outline

- ➔ Update on marine heatwave (a.k.a. the “warm blob”)
- ➔ Physical and biological observations
- ➔ NWFSC environmental indicators (stoplight chart)

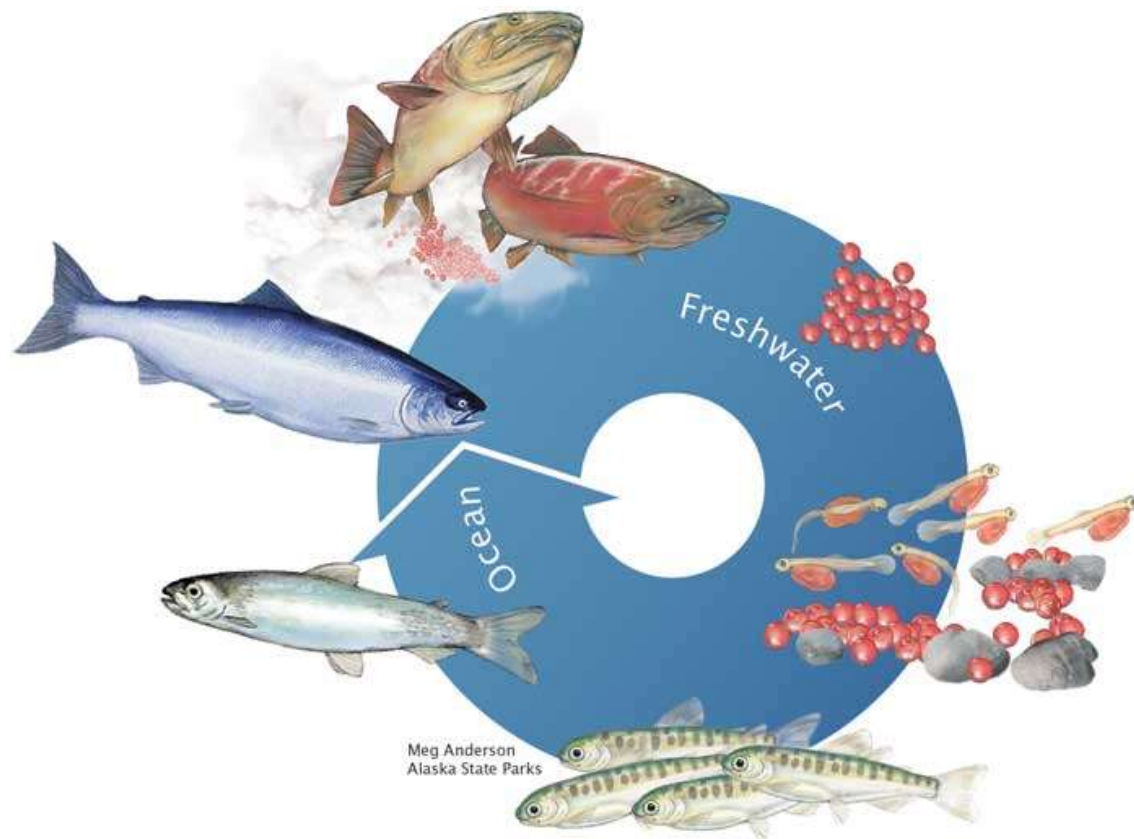
Take-Home Messages:


- ➔ Climate change is impacting salmon returns across the state of Washington
- ➔ Environmental stressors affect **BOTH** freshwater and marine life history phases
- ➔ Another year of poor returns expected in 2020

The global climate is warming



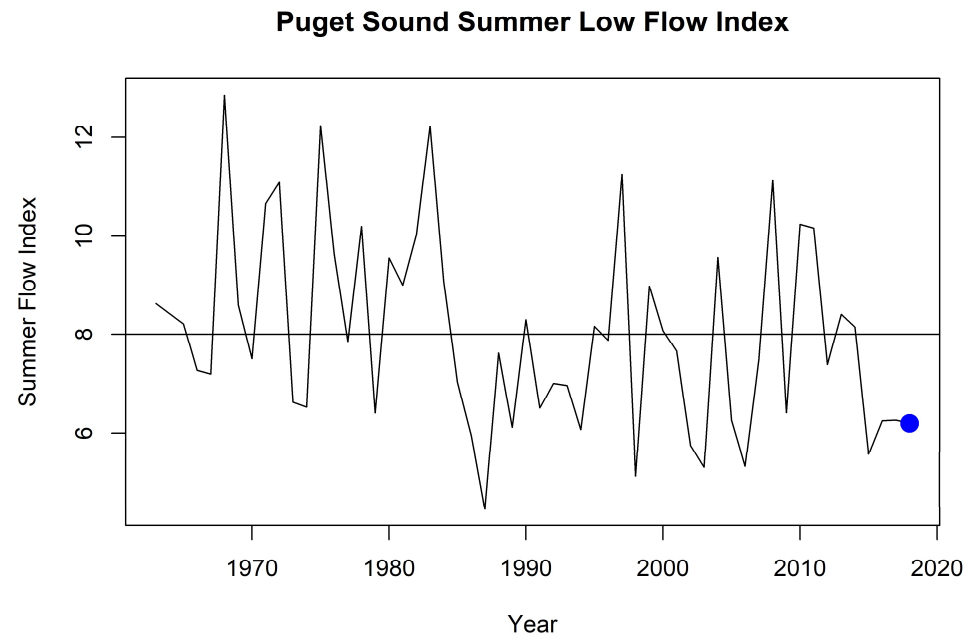
Warming affects salmon at all life history stages





Terrestrial impacts on salmon production

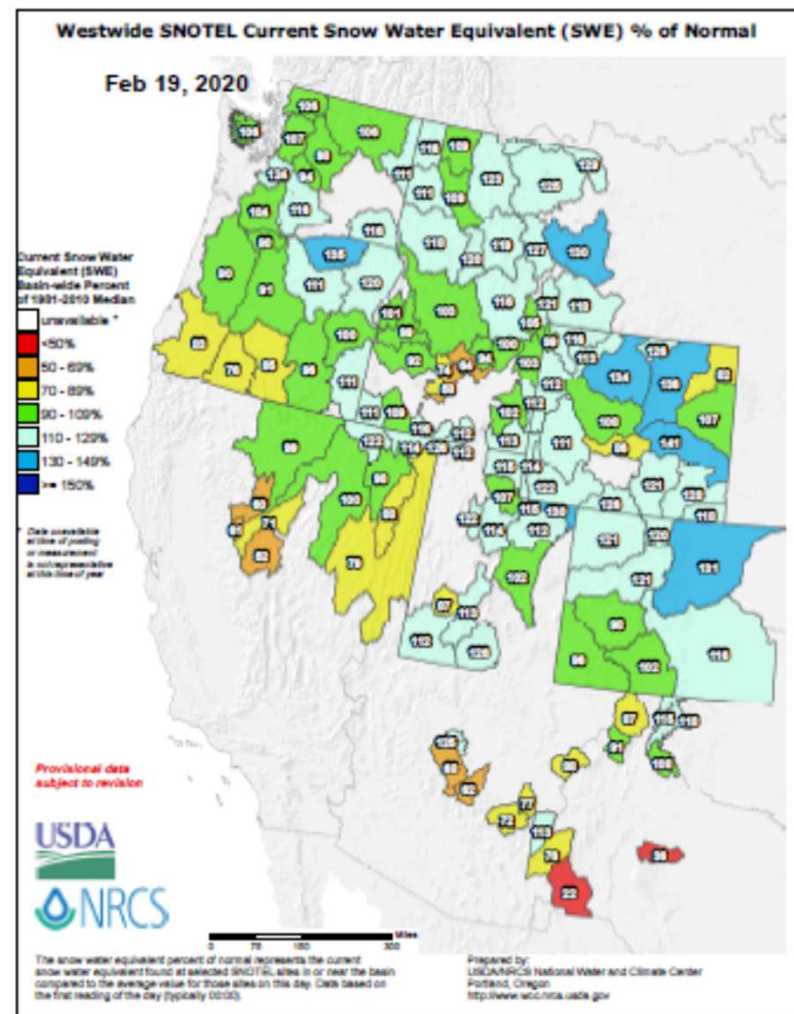
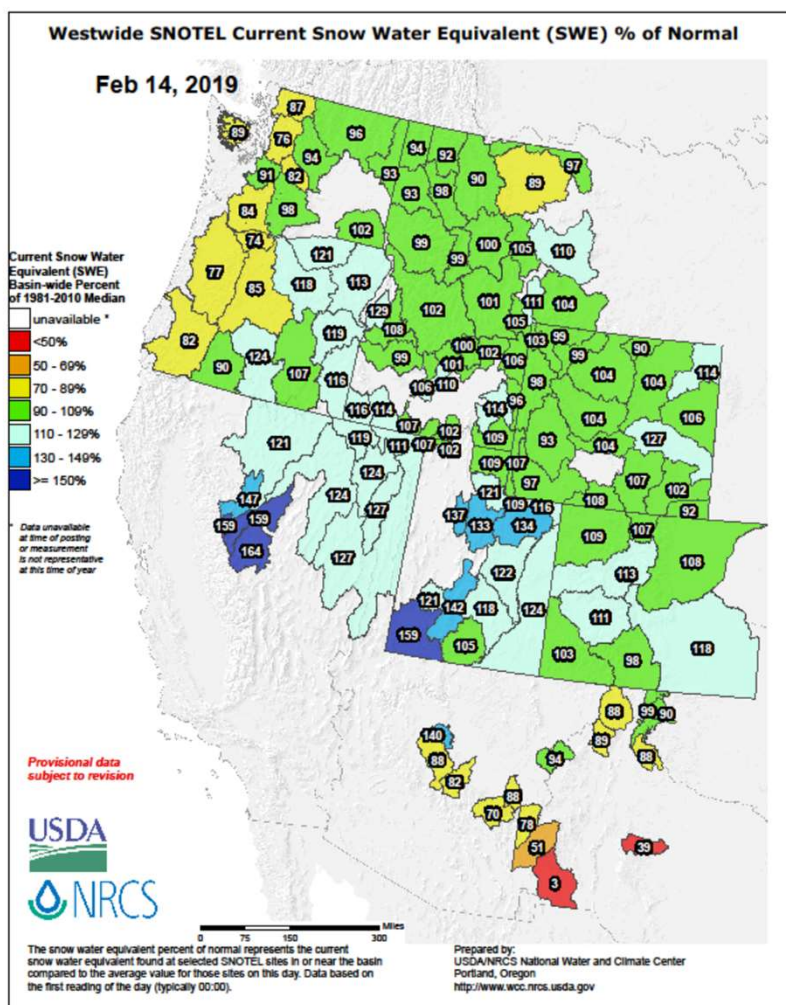
Puget Sound Low Flow Index



Current Snow Pack

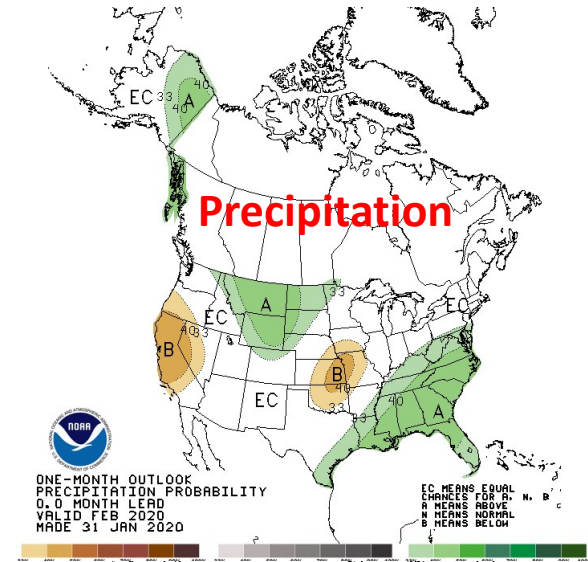
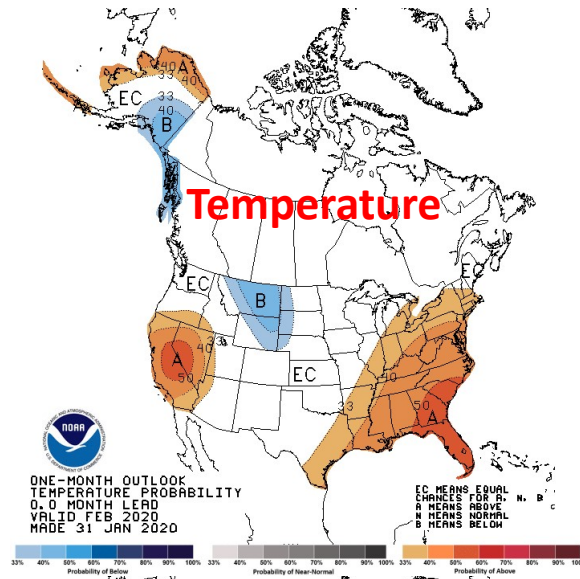
Feb 2019

Feb 2020

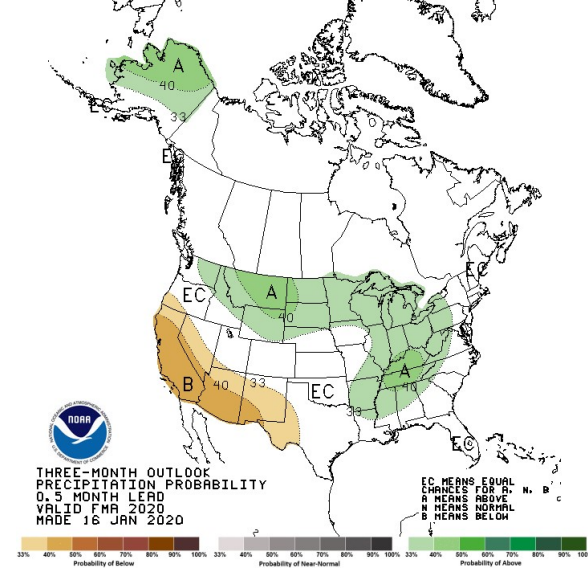
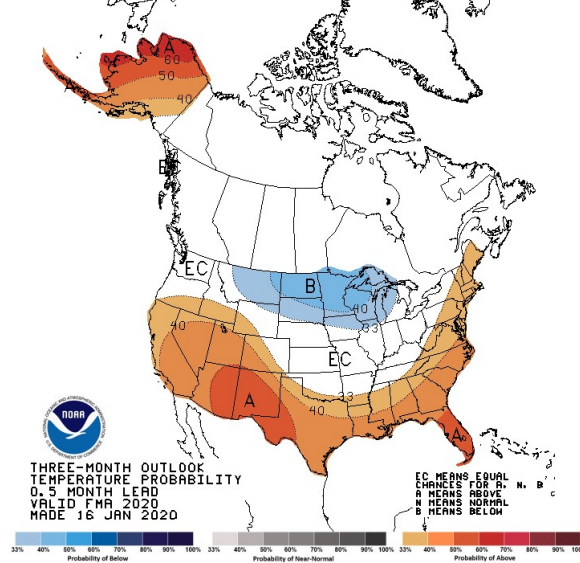


Terrestrial Climate Outlook

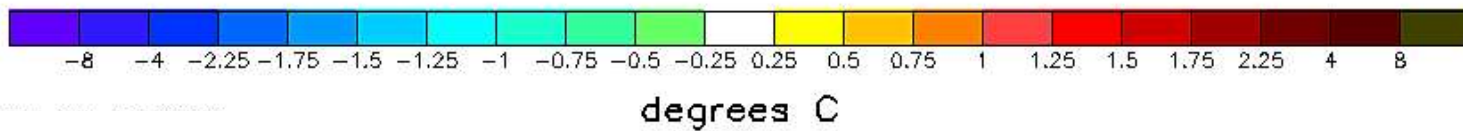
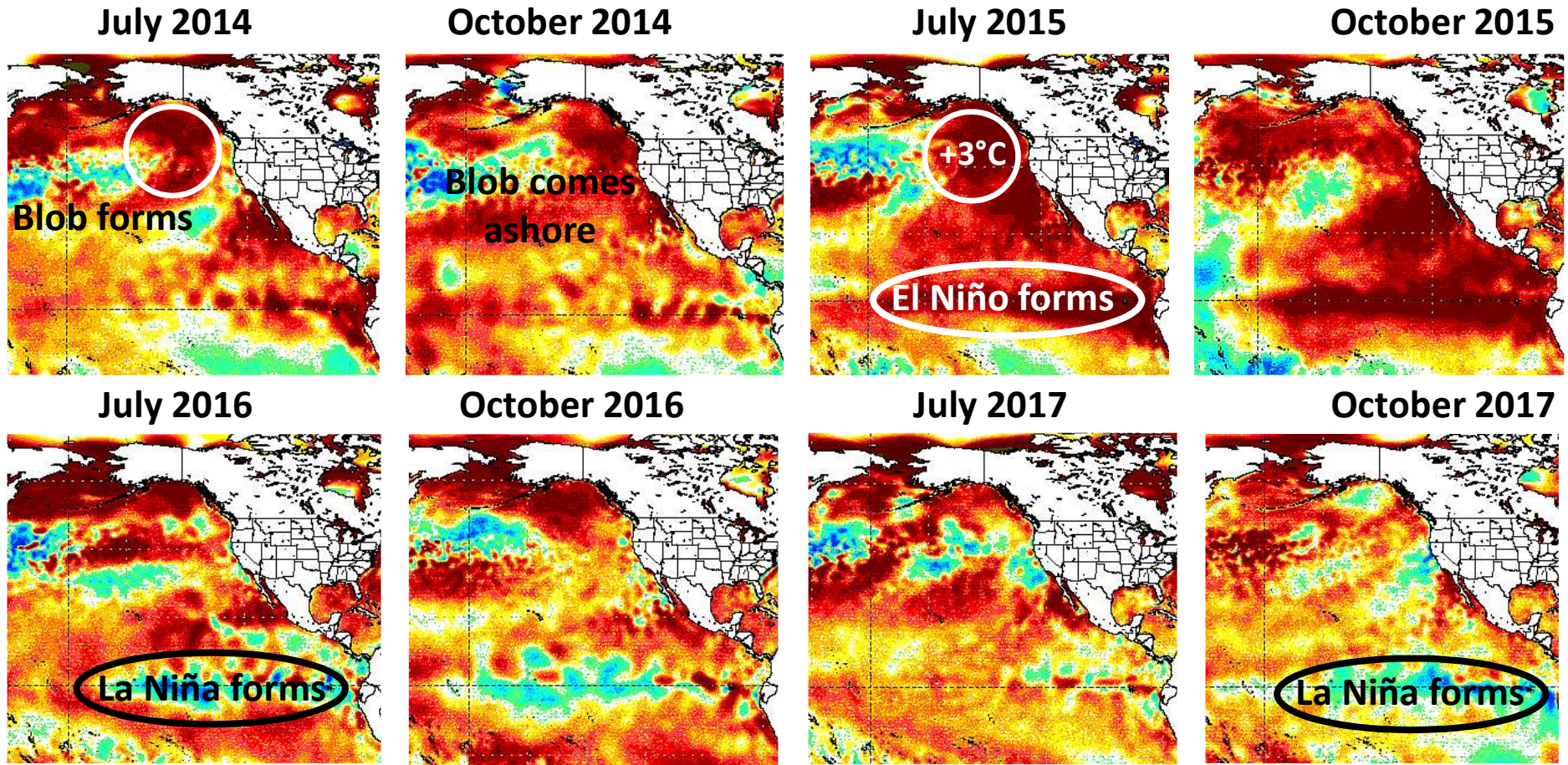
**1 Month
Feb 2020**



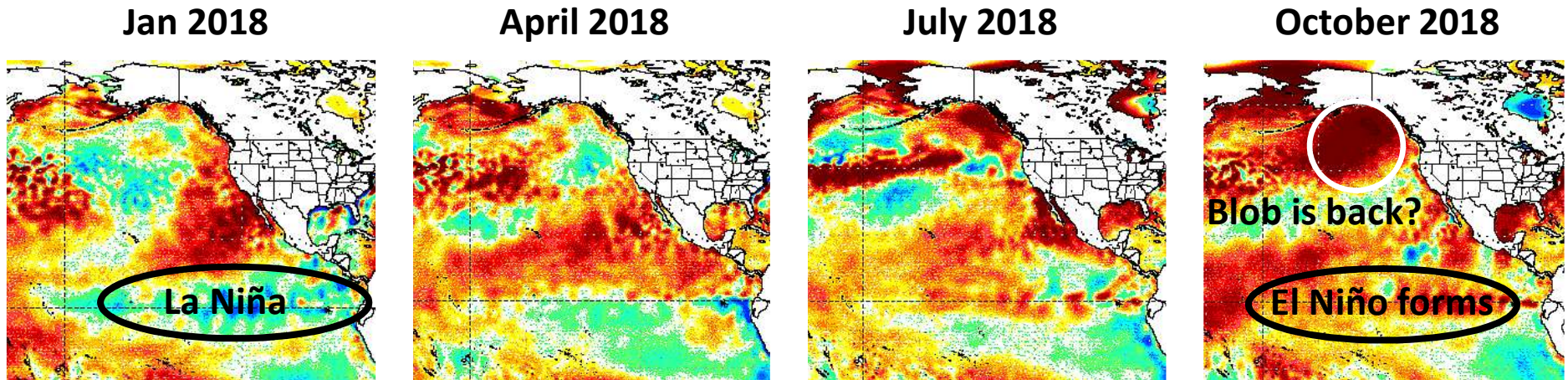
**3 months:
Feb – Apr
2020**



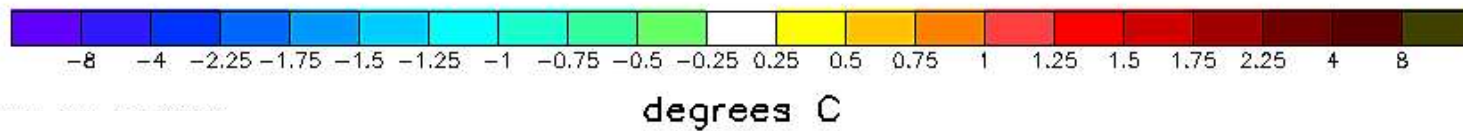
Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies

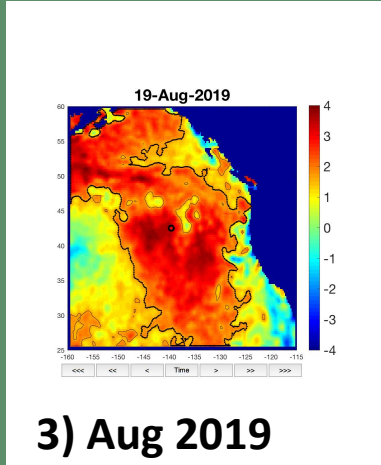
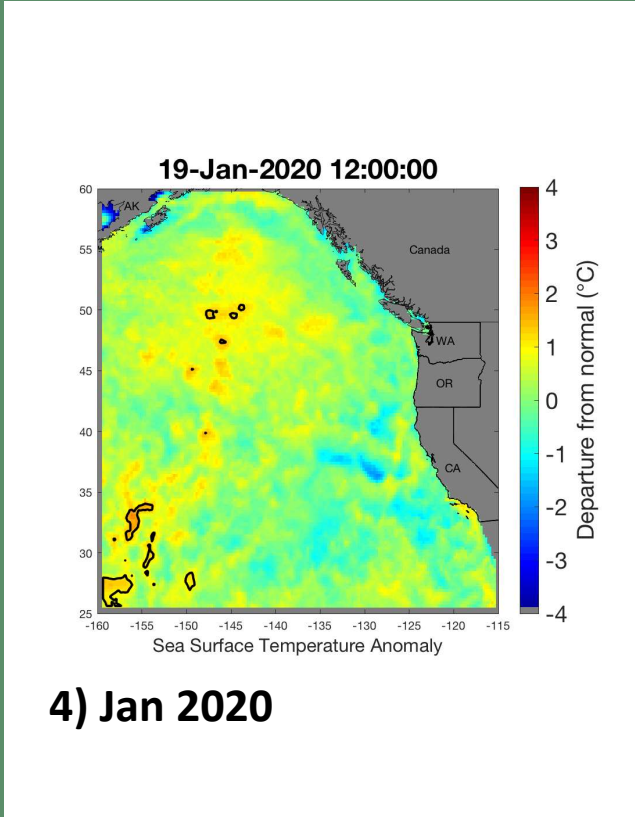
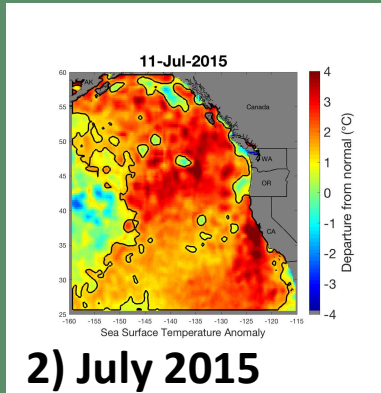
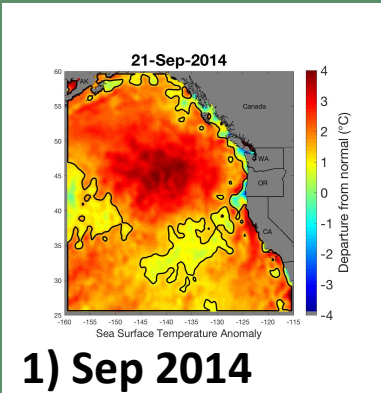


Sea Surface Temperature Anomalies



Weak La Niña dissipated in Spring 2018 and El Niño formed in Fall 2018

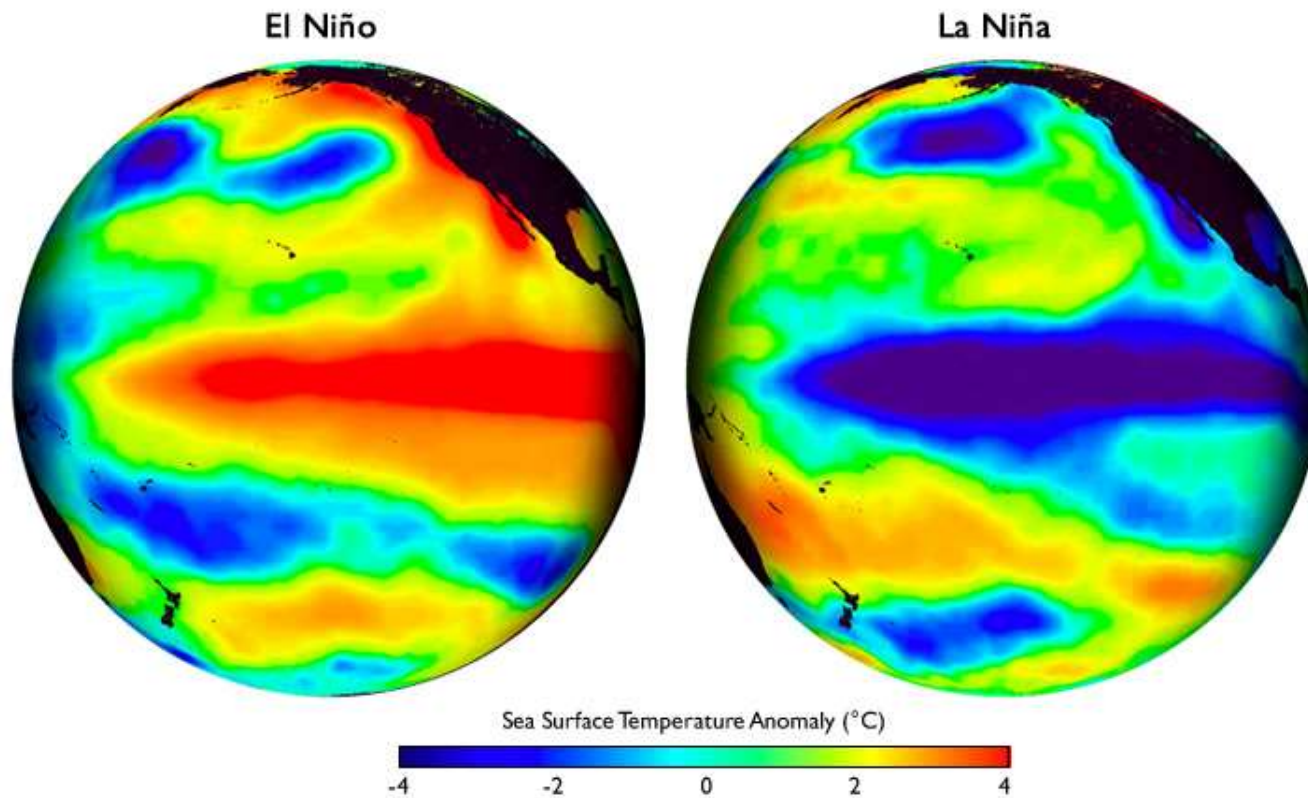




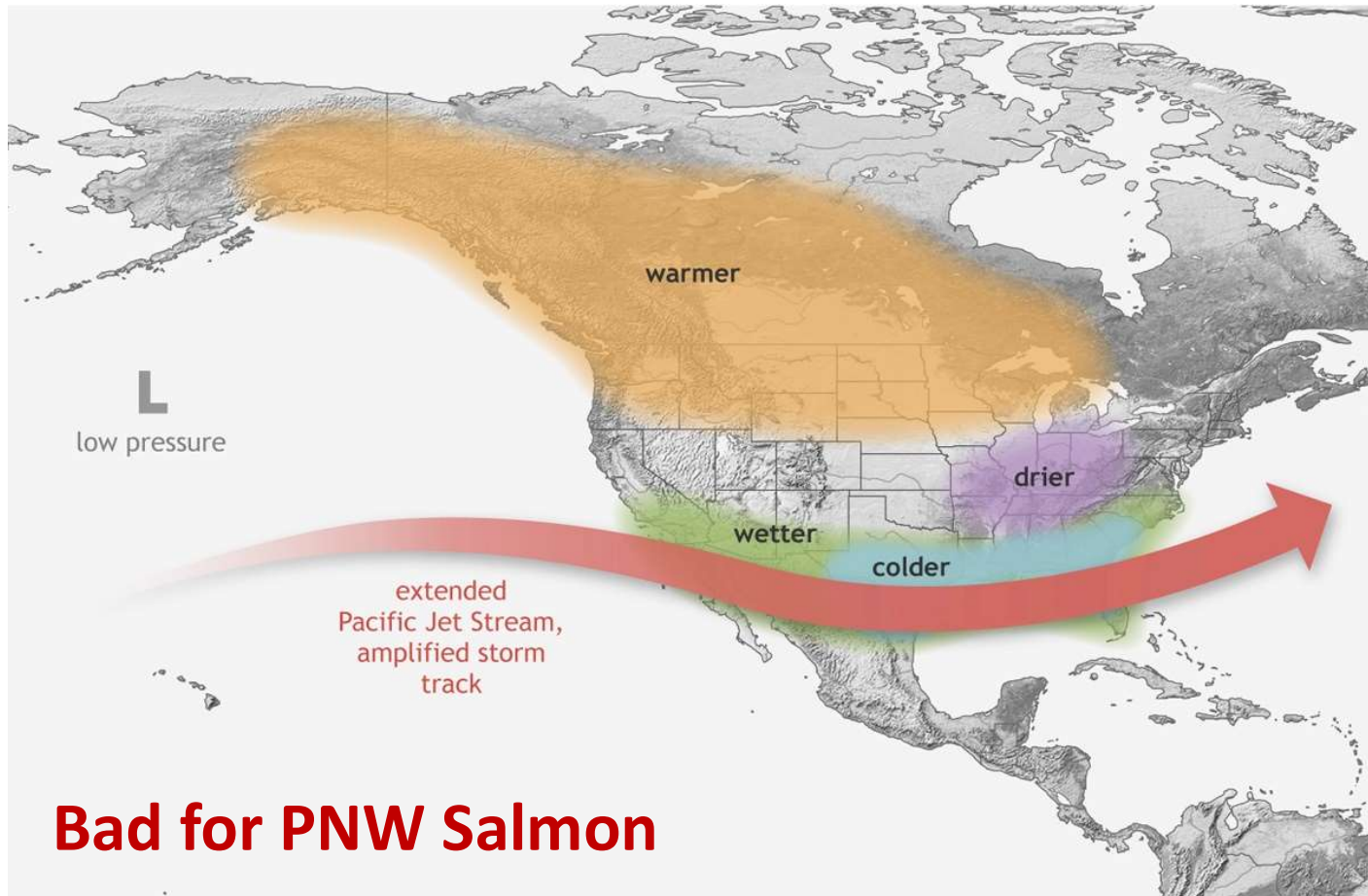
The Marine Heatwave

<https://oceanview.pfeg.noaa.gov/projects/mhw/prev>

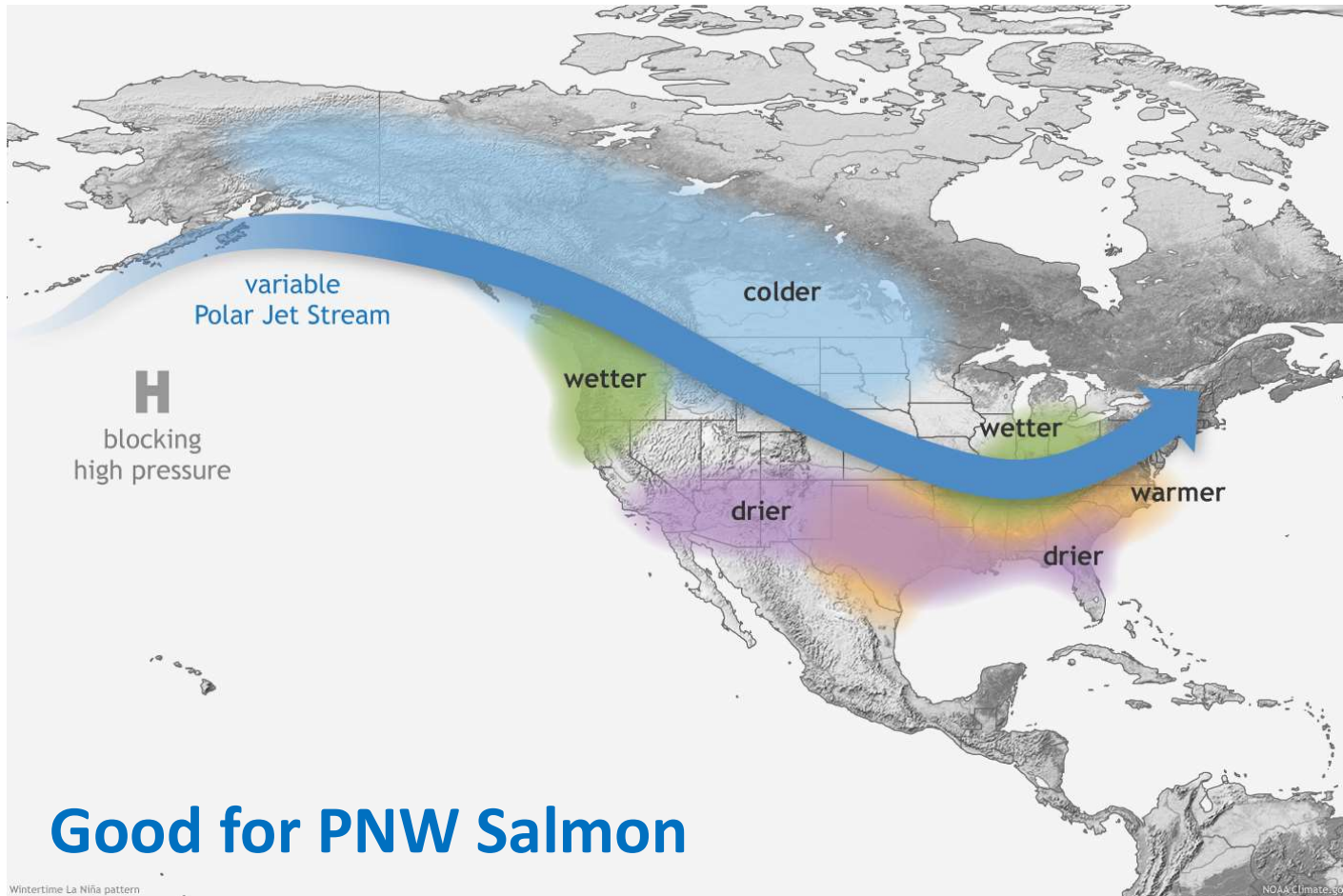
2014-16 **Strong** and 2019 *weak* El Niños and
2016 + 2017/2018 *weak* La Niñas



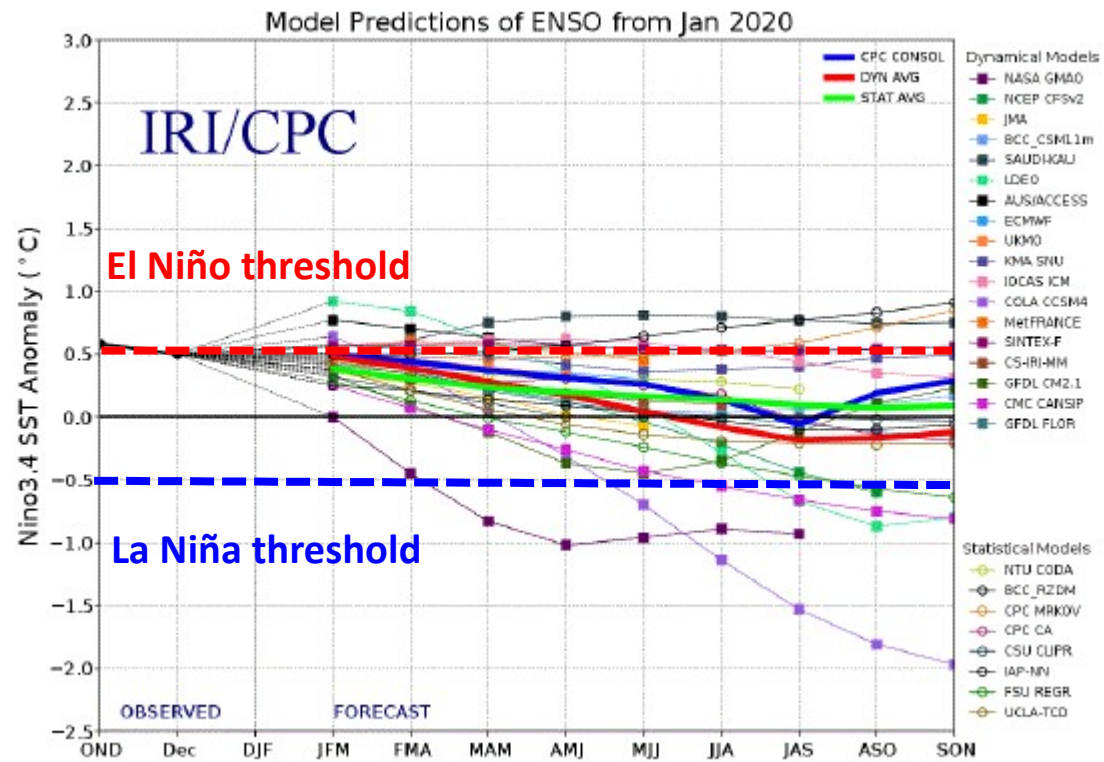
Typical El Niño Pattern



Typical La Niña Pattern



ENSO neutral through Summer 2020



Biological Responses to the Warm Ocean

2015

Harmful algal blooms shut down crab and clam fisheries CA – AK



Reductions in zooplankton and changes to jellyfish community



Tropical fish caught in the PNW



Whales feeding in estuaries

2016

Pelagic red crabs wash ashore



Food web changes continue



Anchovy increase in Salish Sea



Whales nearshore; entangled in fishing lines

2017

Pyrosomes explode in N Pacific



Sea bird die offs in Bering Sea



Pacific cod collapse in Gulf of AK



Sea lion abundance increasing in PNW

Biological Responses to the Warm Ocean

2018



Lots of juvenile crab

Record breaking opah caught off WA



Mourning Orca mother carries dead calf for a record 17 days

2019

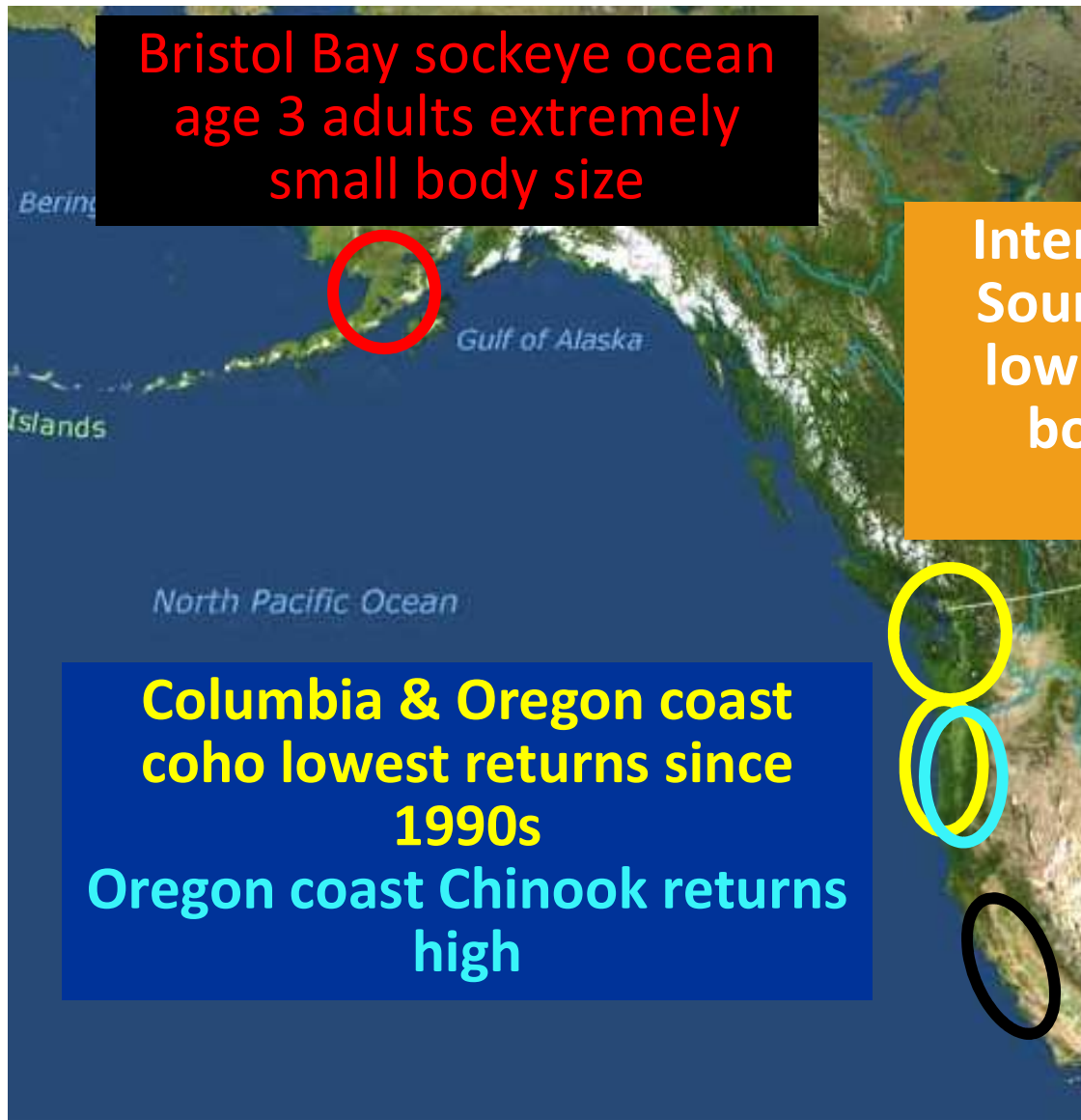


More tropical fish caught off WA: bluefin tuna and mahi mahi



Finescale triggerfish washes up on Long Beach, WA

Unusual salmon observations in **2015**



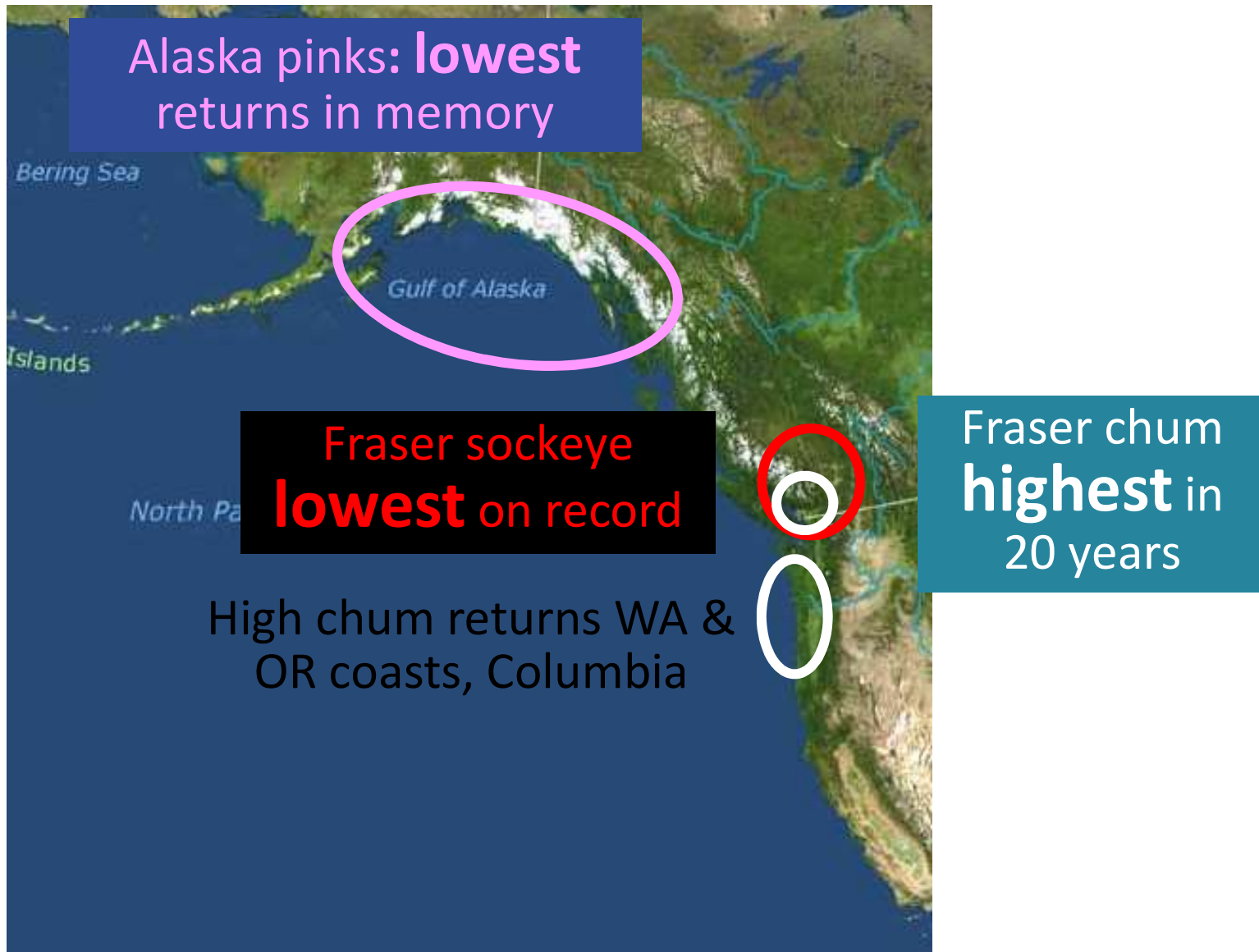
Bristol Bay sockeye ocean age 3 adults extremely small body size

Interior Fraser & Puget Sound coho extremely low abundance, small body size, and low fecundity

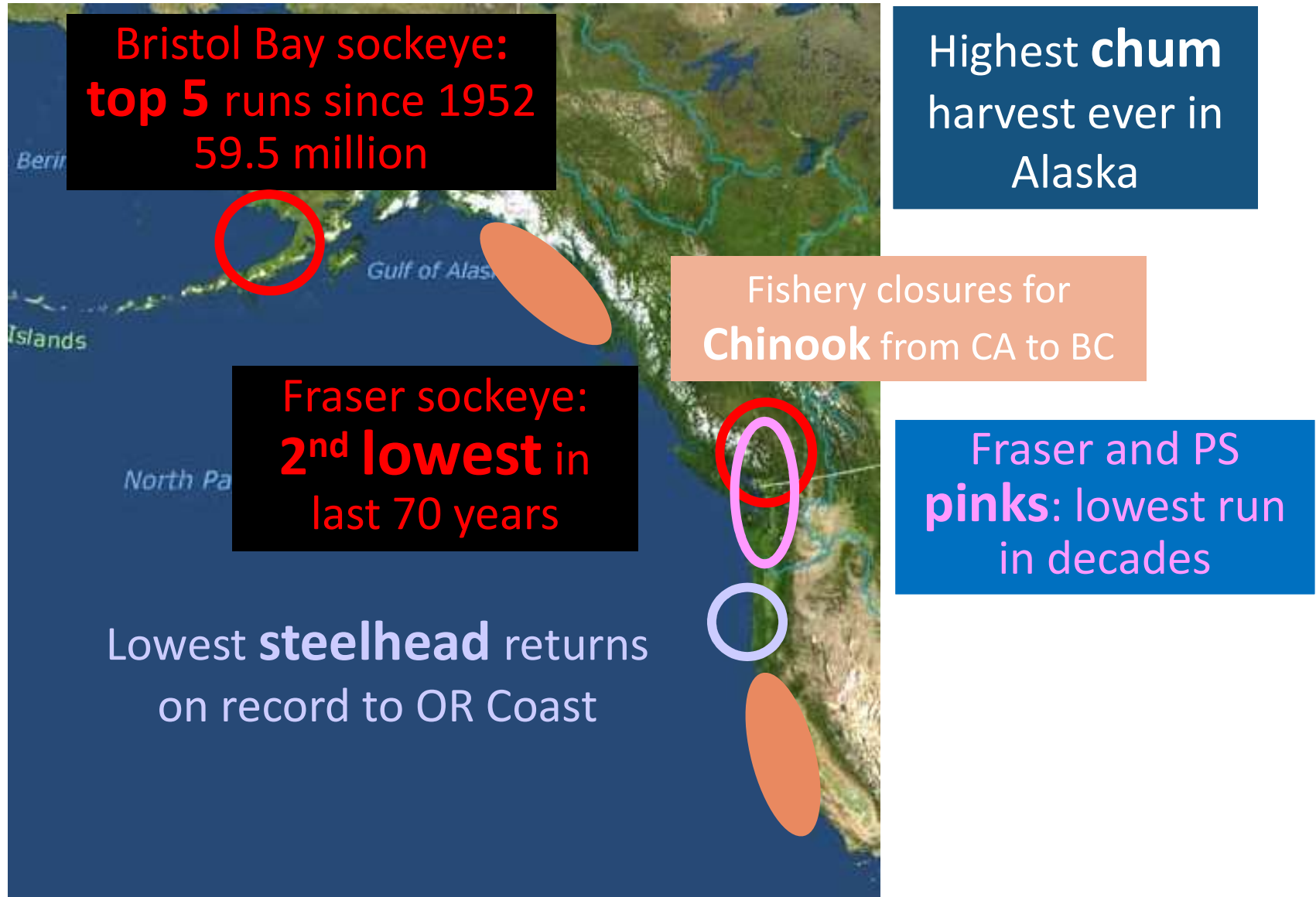
Columbia & Oregon coast coho lowest returns since 1990s
Oregon coast Chinook returns high

Extremely low downstream survival Central Valley Chinook & steelhead (drought)

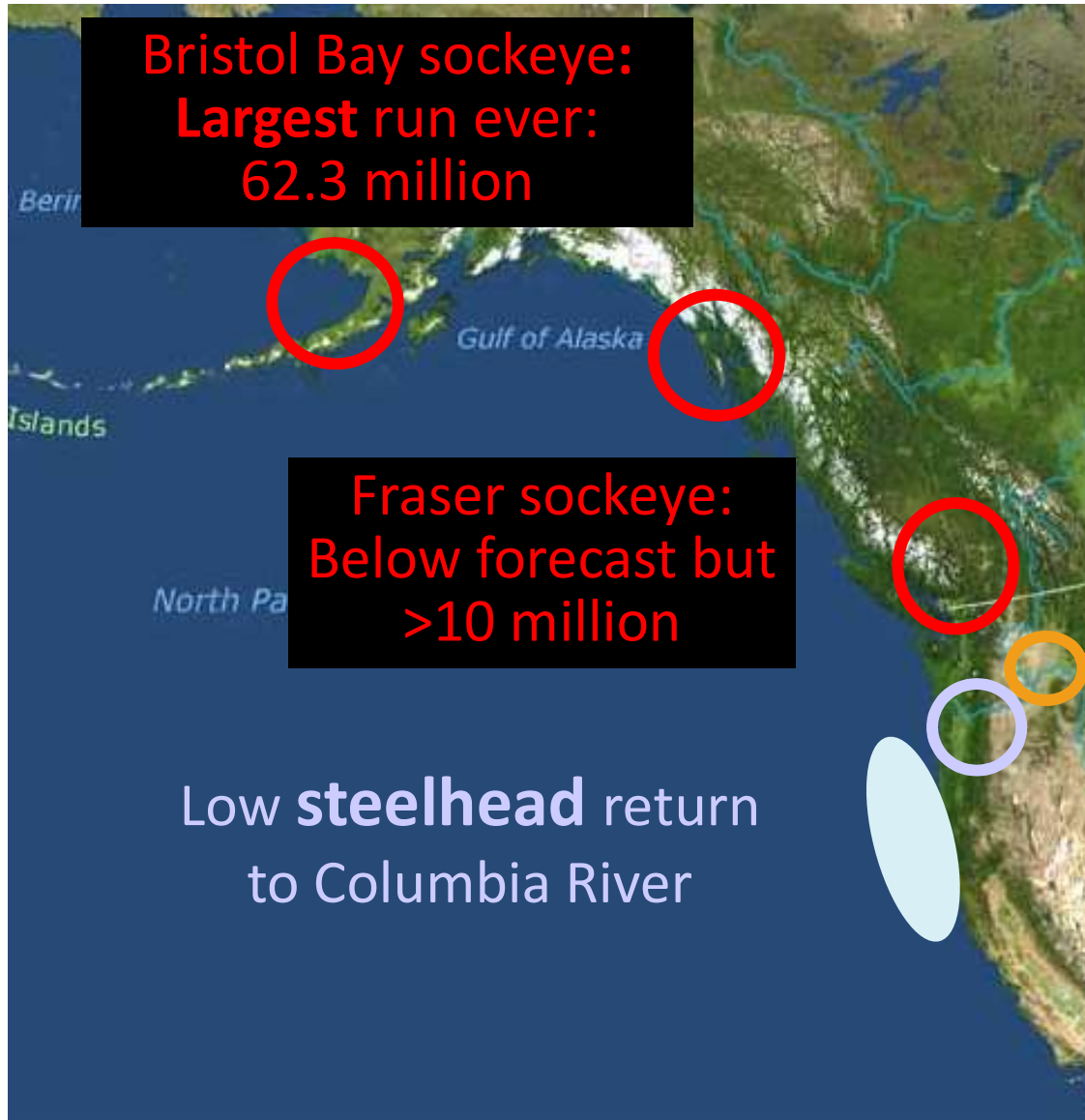
Unusual salmon observations in **2016**



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Bristol Bay sockeye:
Largest run ever:
62.3 million

Fraser sockeye:
Below forecast but
>10 million

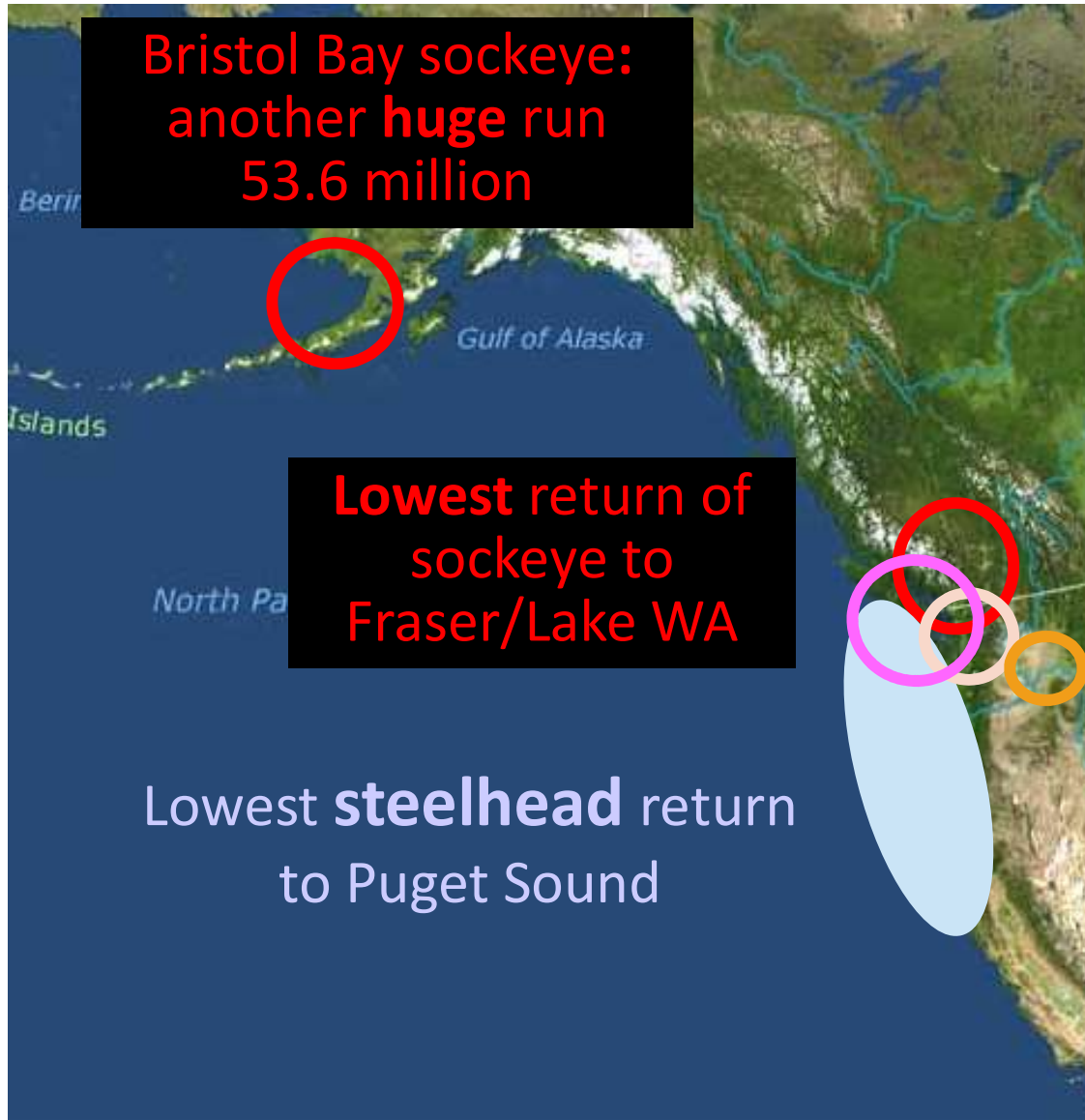
Low **steelhead** return
to Columbia River

Poor **sockeye**,
pink, and coho
run in SE Alaska

High **shad**
returns on
Columbia River

Fishery closures for
Coho in OR and CA

Unusual salmon observations in **2019**



**Poor pink and
chum returns to
PS and Fraser**

**High shad
returns on
Columbia River**

Coho came in below
forecast in OR/WA

Salmon Indicators: **Bad** -> **Fair** -> **Good**

		Year																					
Ecosystem Indicators		1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Basin-scale physical indices	PDO (Sum Dec-March)	19	6	3	13	7	21	12	17	14	9	5	1	16	4	2	8	10	22	20	18	11	15
	PDO (Sum May-Sept)	10	4	6	5	11	17	16	18	12	14	2	9	7	3	1	8	20	22	21	15	13	19
	ONI (Average Jan-June)	21	1	1	7	14	16	15	17	9	12	3	11	18	4	6	8	10	19	22	13	5	20
Regional physical indices	SST NDBC buoys (°C; May-Sept)	17	6	8	4	5	11	22	12	2	14	1	10	3	7	9	16	20	19	18	13	15	21
	Upper 20 m T (°C; Nov-Mar)	21	11	8	10	6	15	16	13	12	5	1	9	18	4	3	7	2	22	20	19	14	17
	Upper 20 m T (°C; May-Sept)	16	11	13	4	1	3	22	19	8	10	2	5	17	7	6	18	20	9	14	12	15	21
	Deep temperature (°C; May-Sept)	22	6	8	4	1	10	12	16	11	5	2	7	14	9	3	15	21	19	13	18	20	17
	Deep salinity (May-Sept)	21	3	11	4	5	18	19	12	7	1	2	16	20	15	14	13	22	17	9	8	6	10
Regional biological indices	Copepod richness anom. (no. species; May-Sept)	20	2	1	7	6	15	14	19	16	10	8	9	18	4	5	3	11	21	22	17	13	12
	N. copepod biomass anom. (mg C m ⁻³ ; May-Sept)	20	15	11	12	4	17	14	21	16	13	7	10	9	1	3	5	6	18	22	19	8	2
	S. copepod biomass anom. (mg C m ⁻³ ; May-Sept)	22	2	5	4	3	15	16	21	14	10	1	7	17	9	8	6	11	19	20	18	13	12
	Biological transition (day of year)	19	11	6	7	8	15	12	20	14	3	1	2	17	4	9	5	10	21	21	18	13	15
	Nearshore Ichthyoplankton (mg C 1,000 m ⁻³ ; Jan-Mar)	17	3	11	6	1	21	22	15	8	17	3	13	2	7	5	10	19	14	15	12	9	20
	Nearshore & offshore Ichthyoplankton community index (PCO axis 1 scores; Jan-Mar)	11	6	5	9	8	13	16	20	1	14	3	12	15	4	2	7	10	18	21	22	17	19
	Chinook salmon juvenile catches (no. km ⁻¹ ; June)	20	4	5	17	8	12	18	21	13	11	1	6	7	16	2	3	10	14	19	22	15	9
	Coho salmon juvenile catches (no. km ⁻¹ ; June)	20	8	14	6	7	3	17	21	18	4	5	10	11	16	19	1	13	9	15	22	2	12
	Mean of ranks	18.5	6.2	7.3	7.4	5.9	13.9	16.4	17.6	10.9	9.5	2.9	8.6	13.1	7.1	6.1	8.3	13.4	17.7	18.3	16.6	11.8	15.1
Rank of the mean rank	22	4	6	7	2	15	17	19	11	10	1	9	13	5	3	8	14	20	21	18	12	16	

**2019 =
Ranked 16th**



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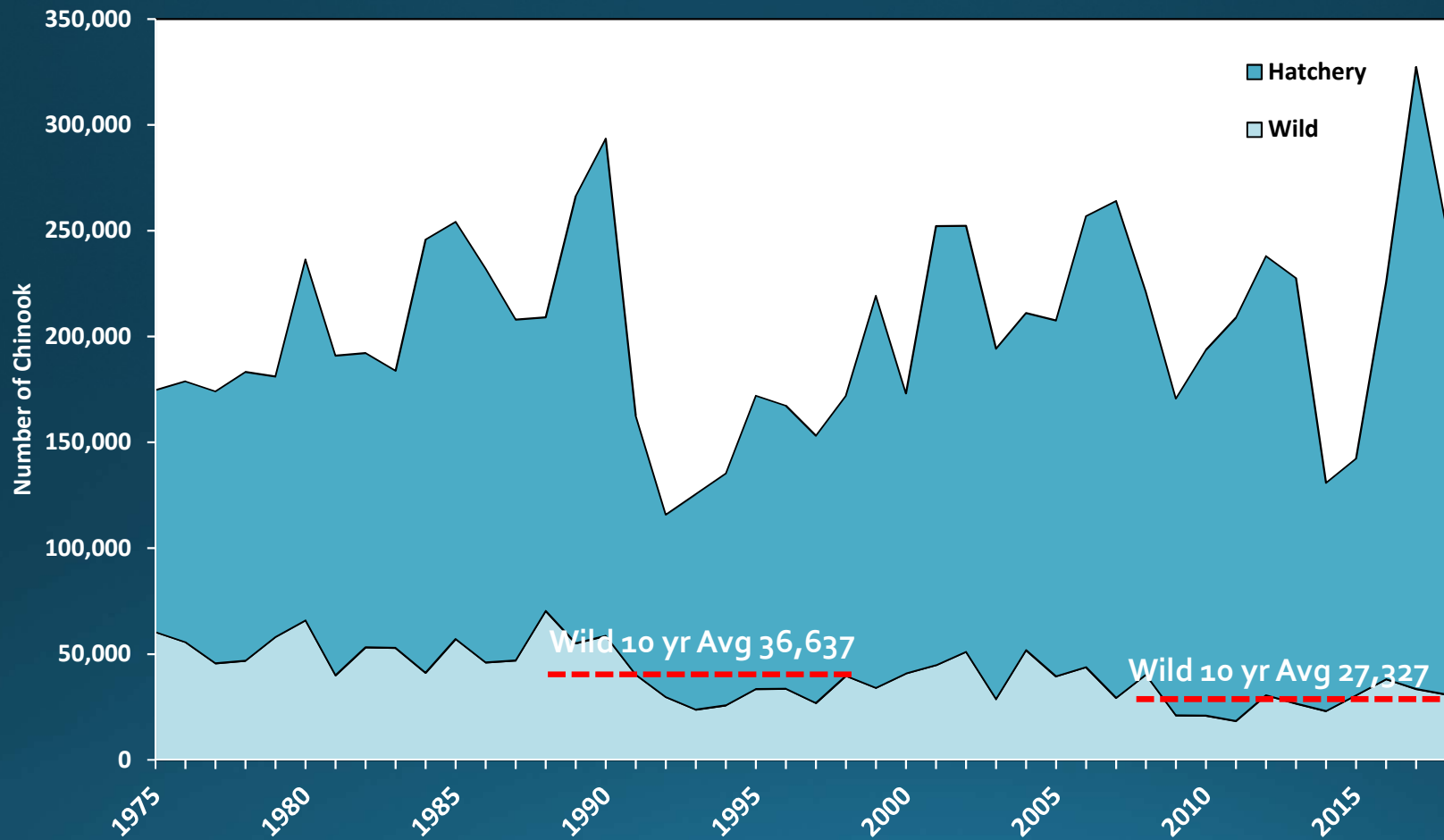
WA Coast and Puget Sound 2019 Returns and 2020 Forecasts

Mickey Agha, PhD

Chinook Salmon



Chinook Historical Runsize – Puget Sound



Wild Chinook ↓ ~25% since 10yr avg. prior to listing under ESA in 1999

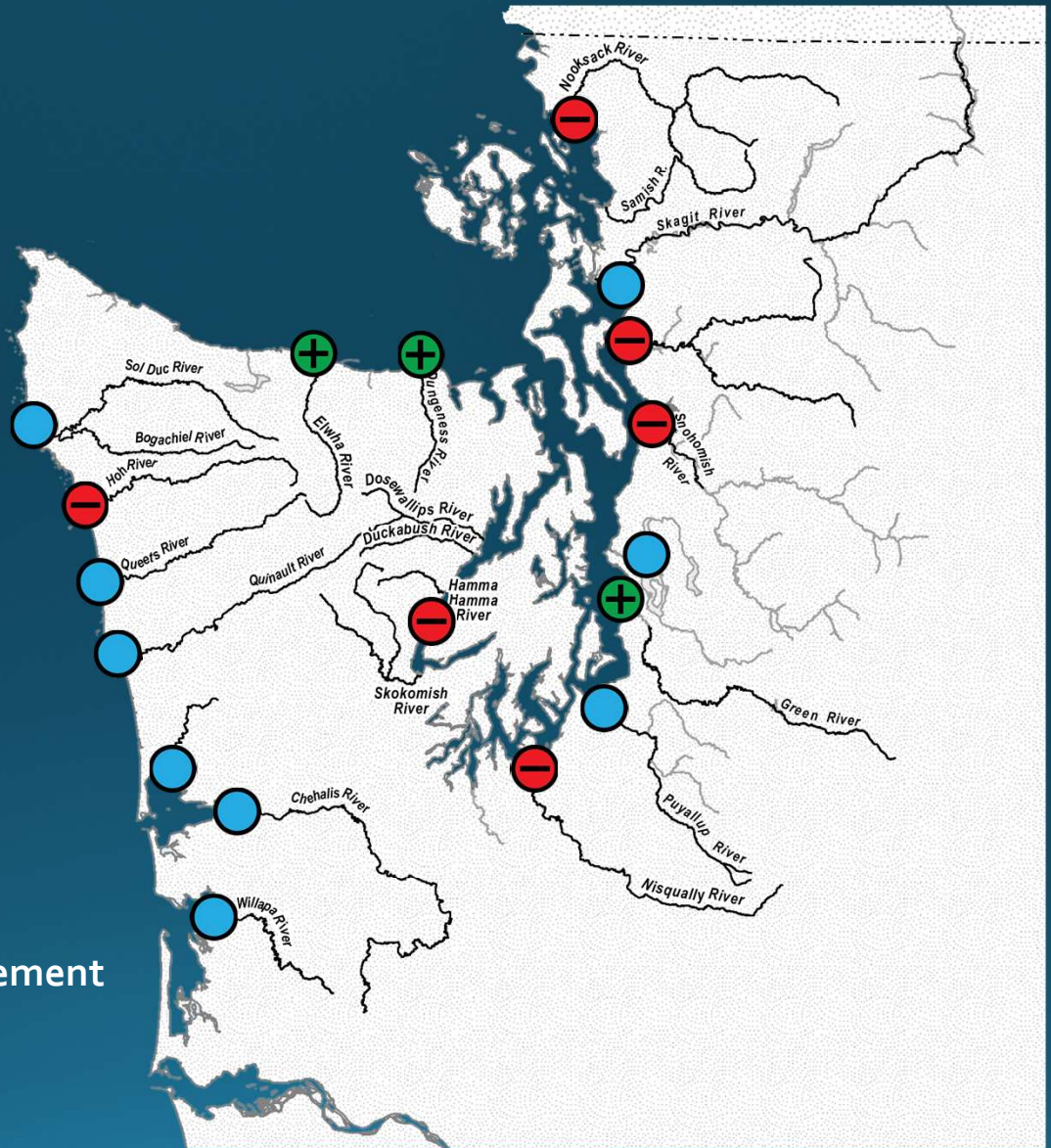
2019 Wild Fall Chinook Returns



- All returns are preliminary
- Returns range from **Poor** to **Good** in Puget Sound and on the Coast

Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

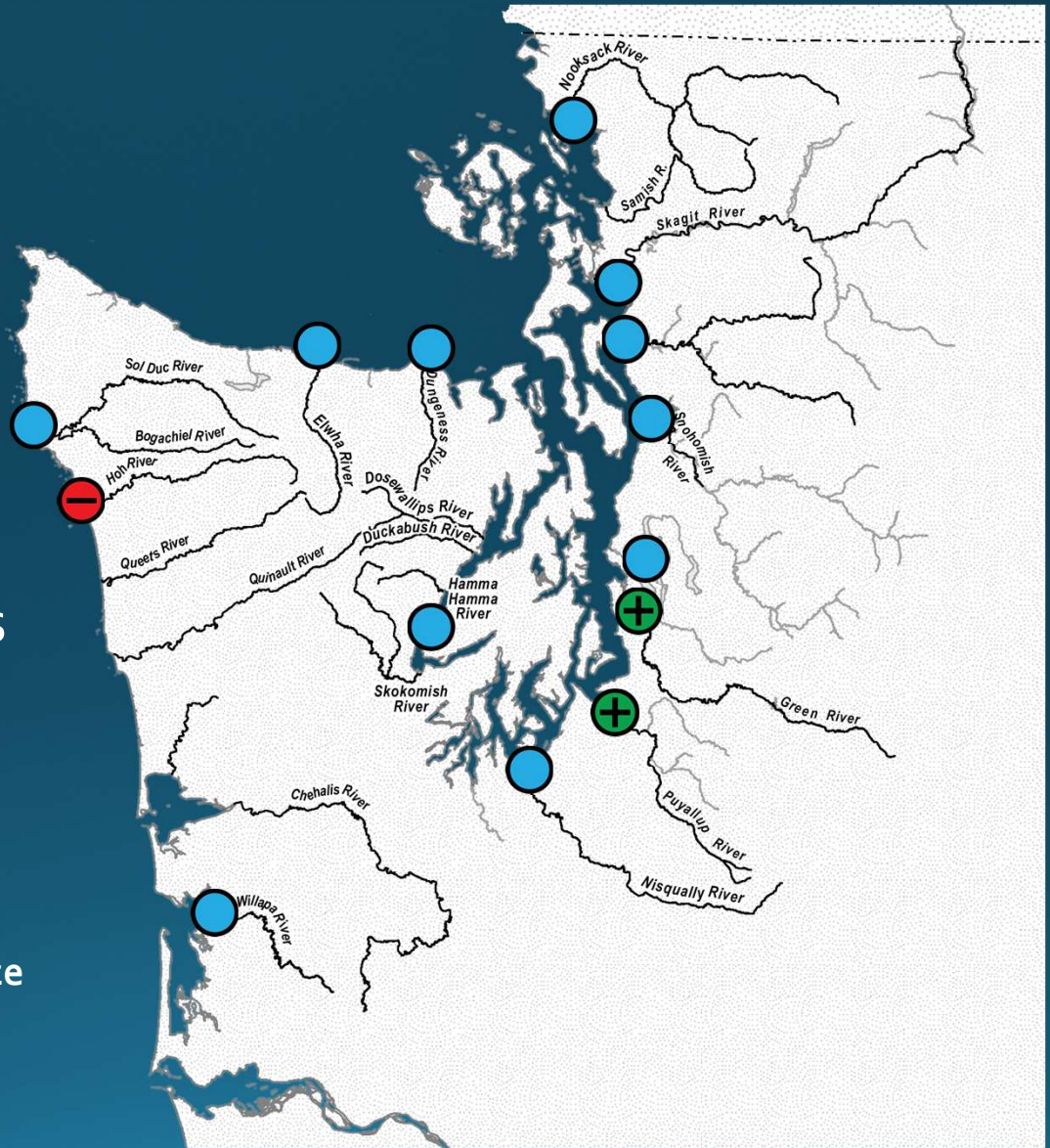
- ⊕ Good > 125%
- Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%



2020 Wild Fall Chinook Forecasts



- Forecasts range from **Poor** to **Good** for both Puget Sound and Coast
- Puget Sound wild forecasts **↓ 6%** relative to 10 year avg

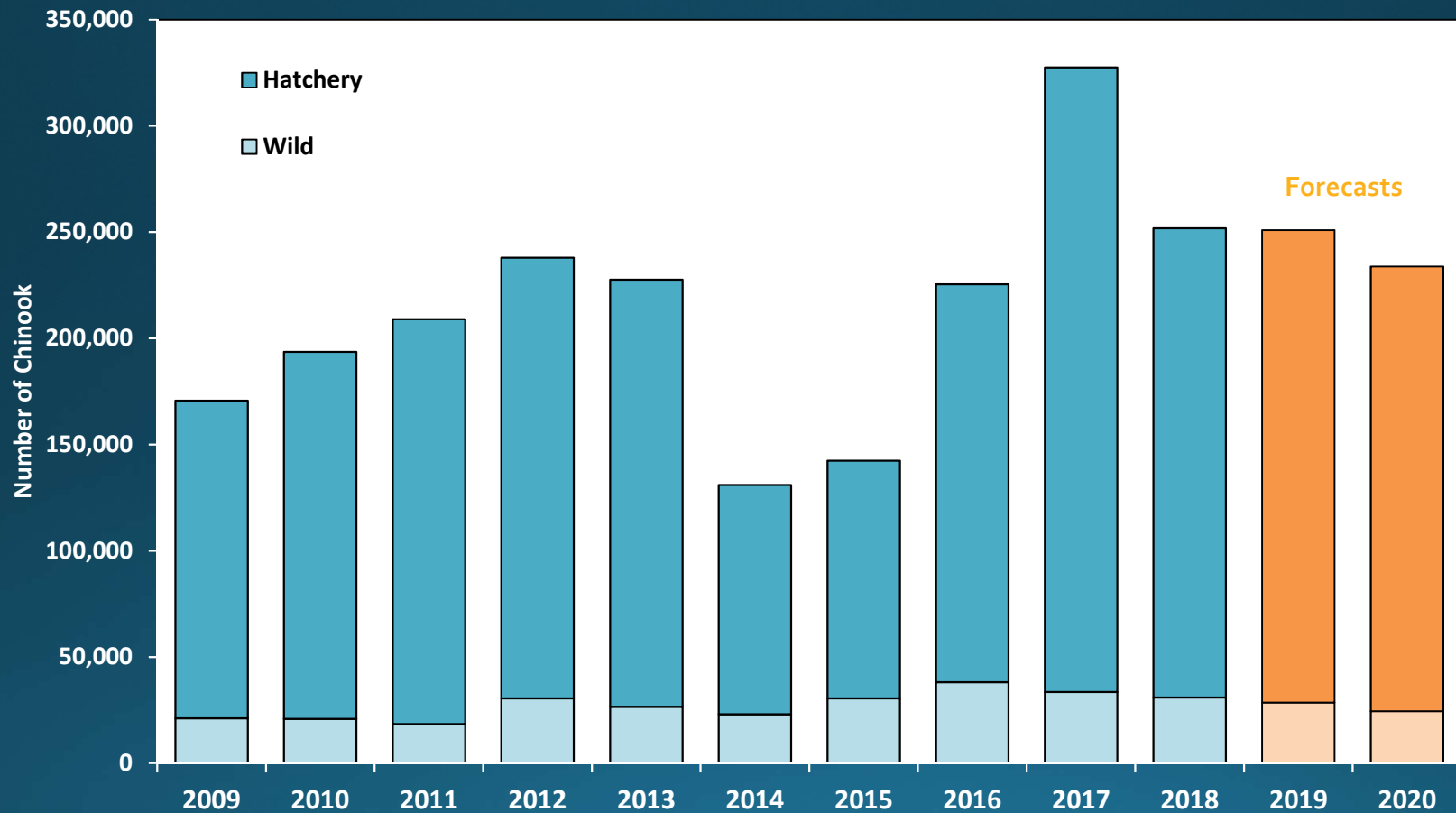


Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

- ⊕ Good > 125%
- Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%

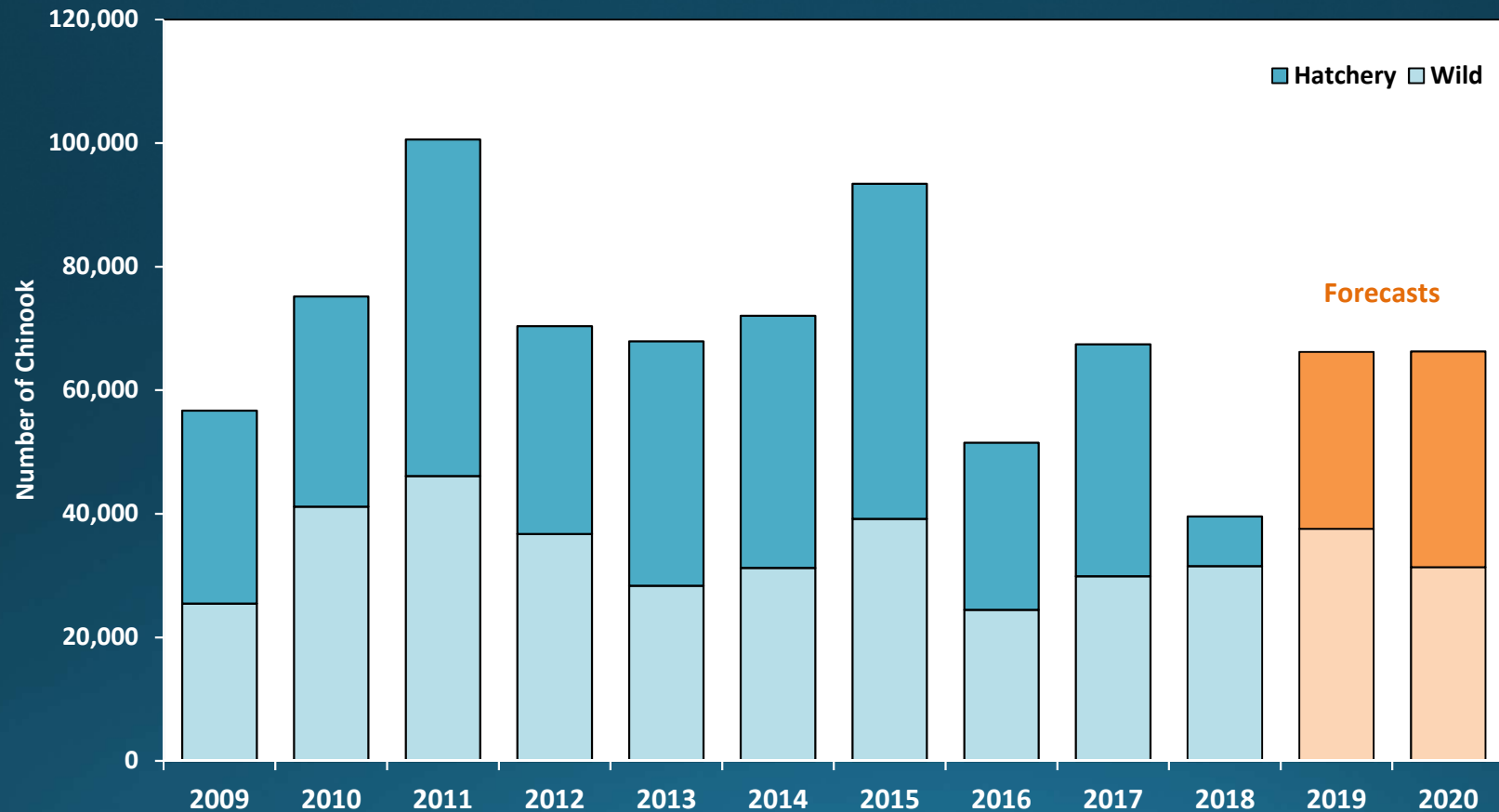
P. Sound Hatchery Chinook Forecasts

Puget Sound hatchery Chinook forecast ↑ 14% from recent 10 year avg
(↓ 6% from 2019 forecast)



Coastal Hatchery Chinook Forecasts

Coastal Hatchery Chinook forecast ↓ 5% from recent 10 yr avg.
(↑ <1% from 2019 Forecast)



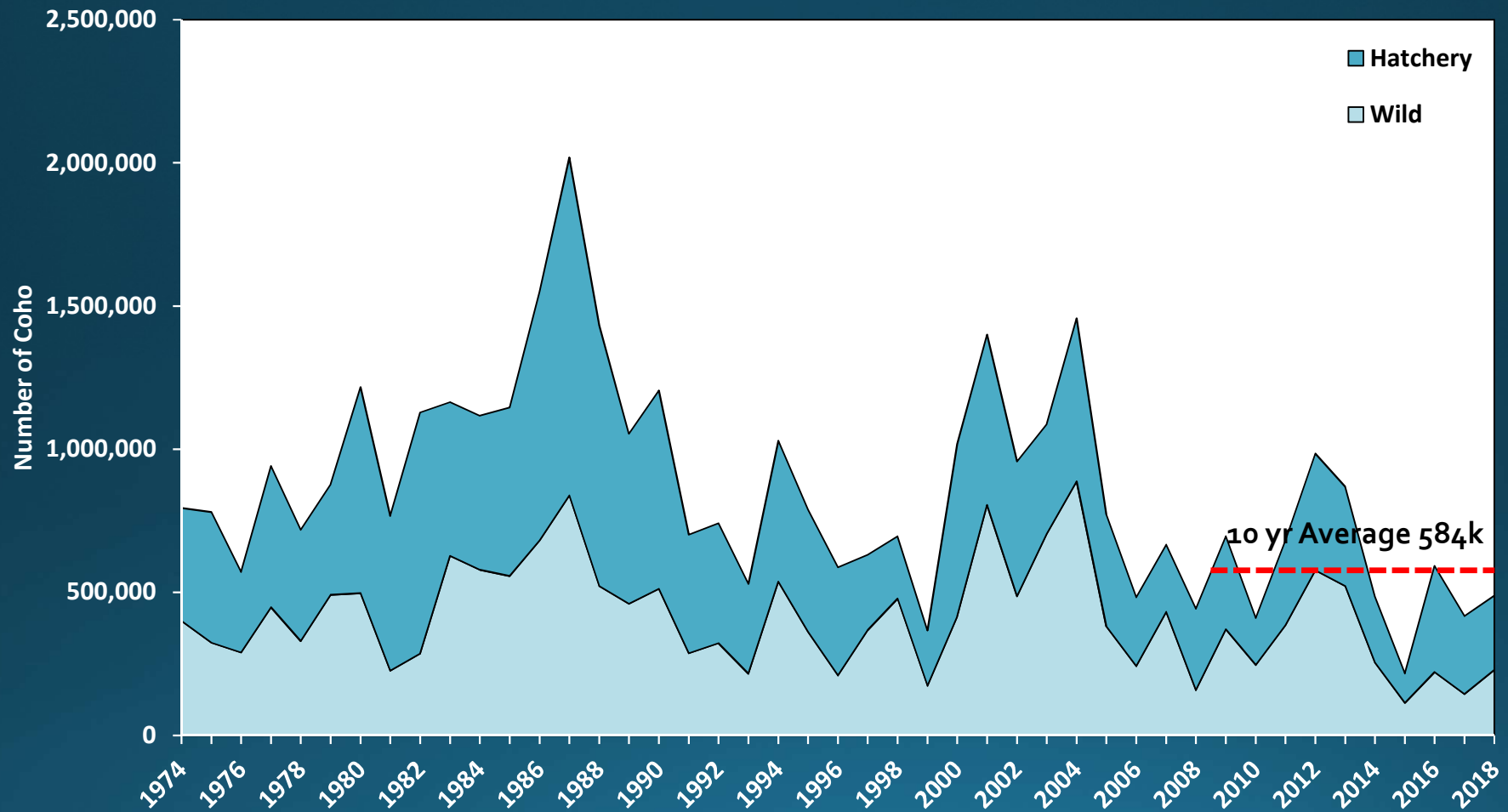
*Excludes Quinault R. and Queets

Some Coastal forecasts are preliminary and subject to change

Coho



Coho Historical Runsize – Puget Sound



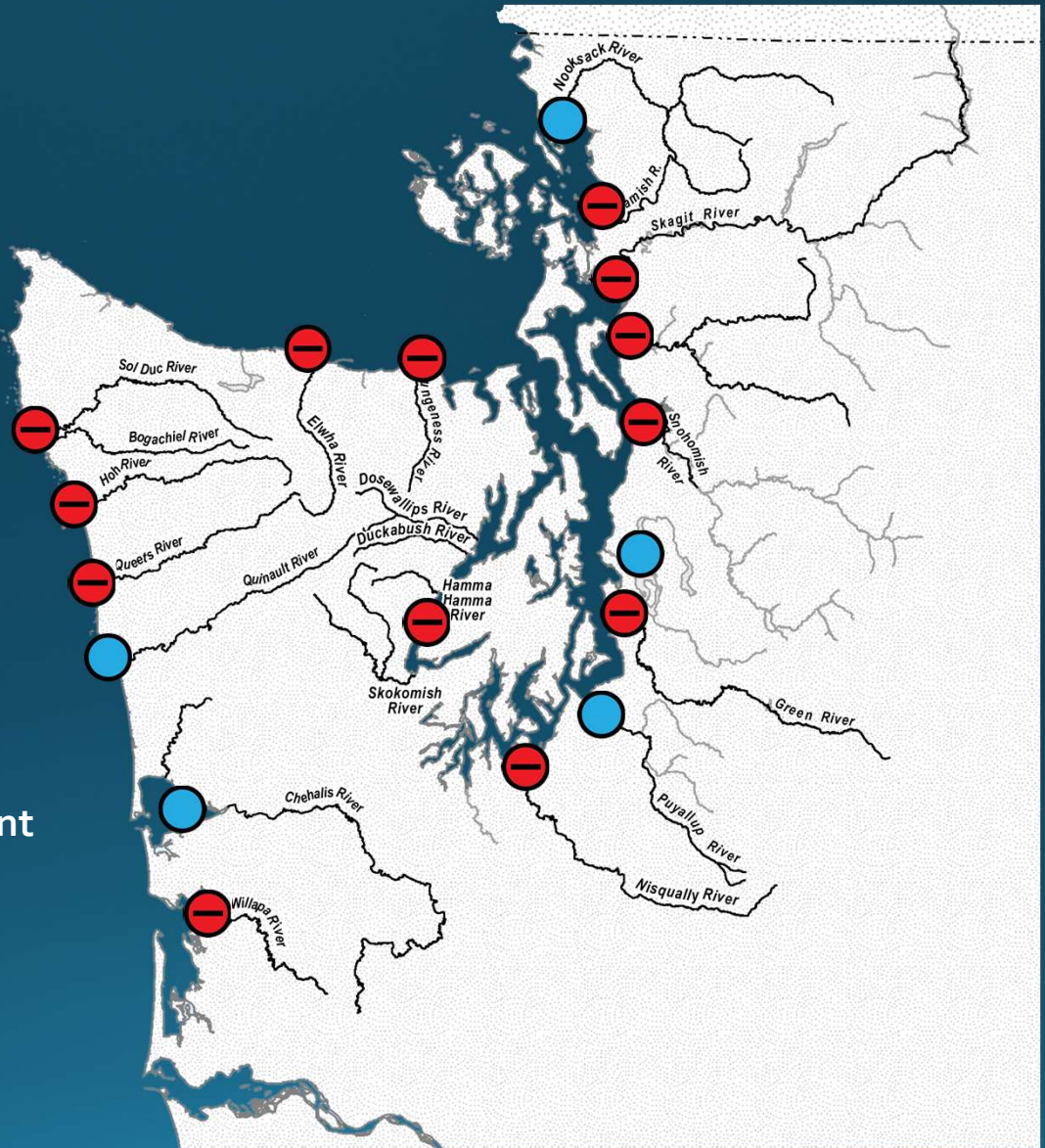
2019 Wild Coho Returns



- All returns are preliminary
- Returns ranged from **Poor** to **Neutral** for Puget Sound and Coast

Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

- ⊕ Good > 125%
- Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%



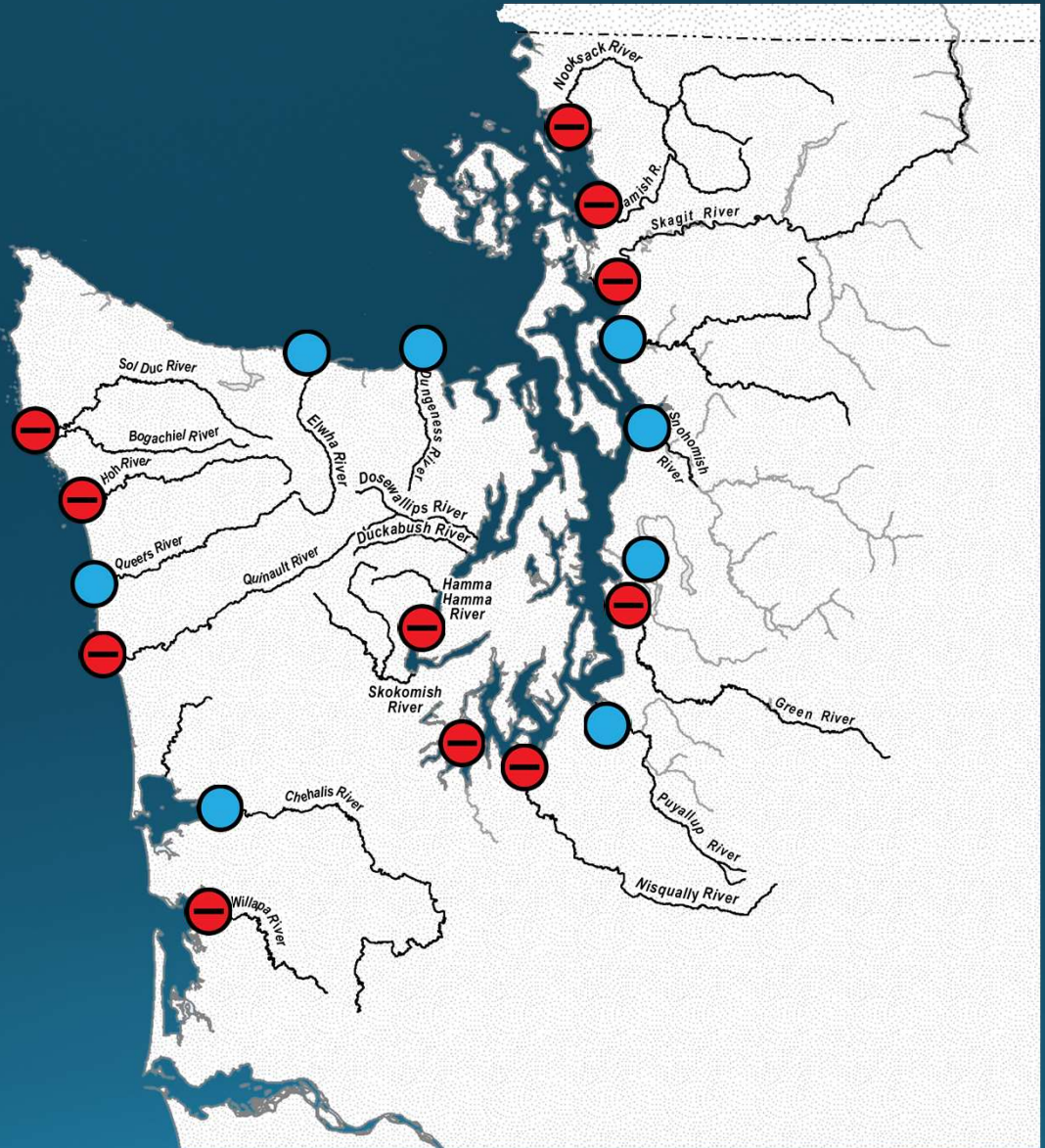
2020 Wild Coho Forecasts



- Forecasts range from **Poor** to **Neutral** across Puget Sound; **↓ 48%**
- **Poor** to **Neutral** on coast; **↓ 25%**

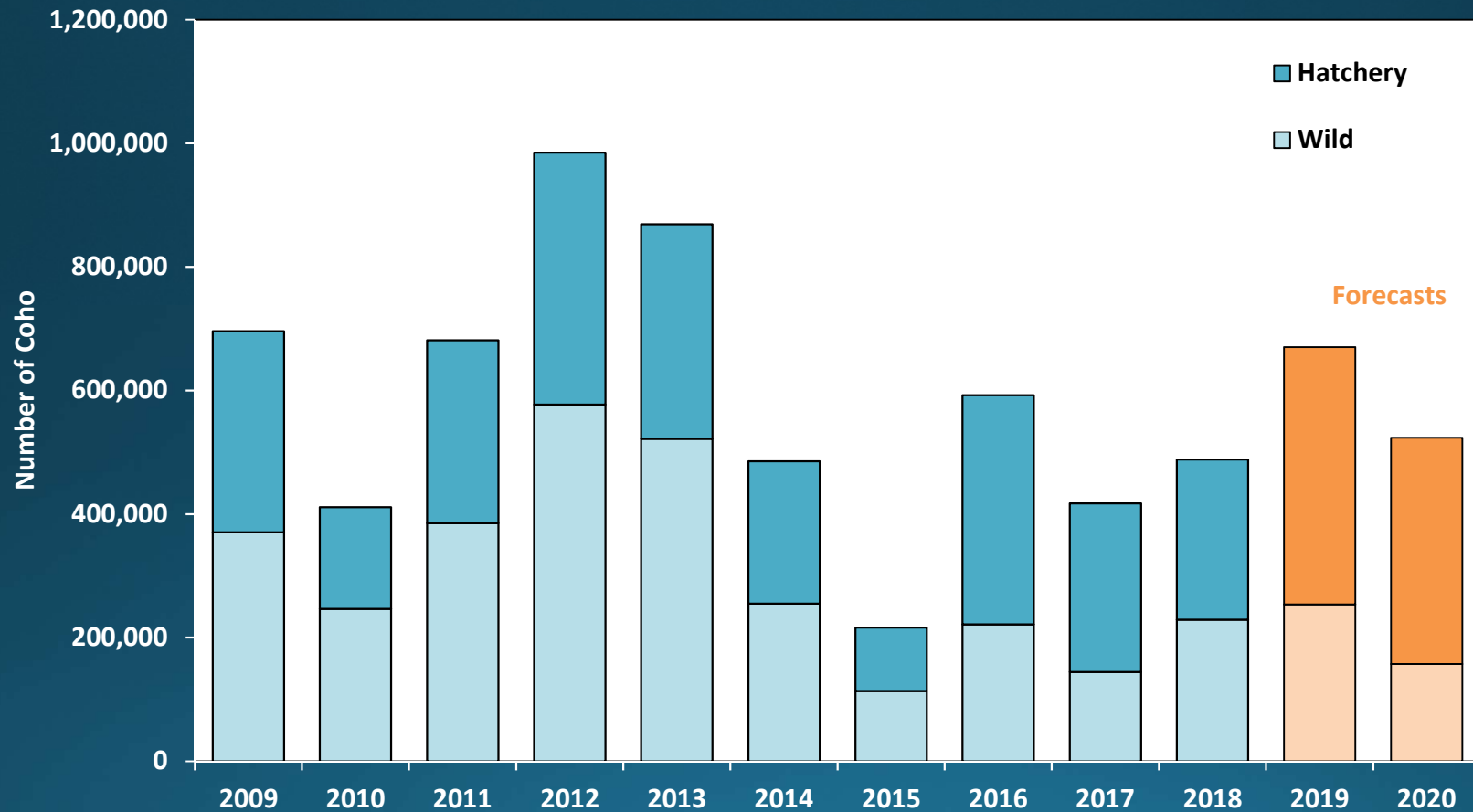
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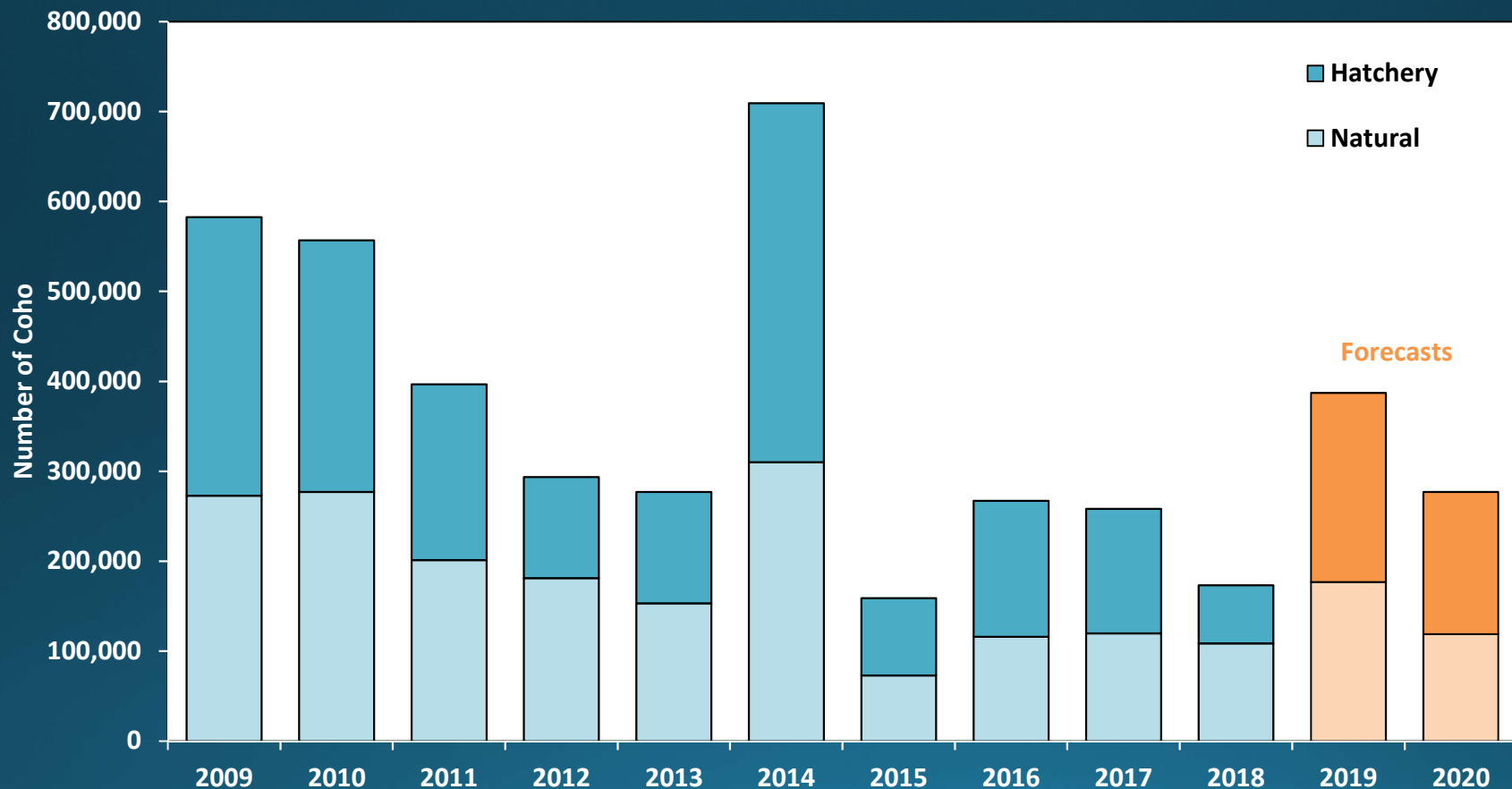
P. Sound Hatchery Coho Forecasts

Puget Sound Hatchery Coho forecast ↑ 32% from recent 10 year avg.
(↓ 12% from 2019 forecast)



Coastal Hatchery Coho Forecasts

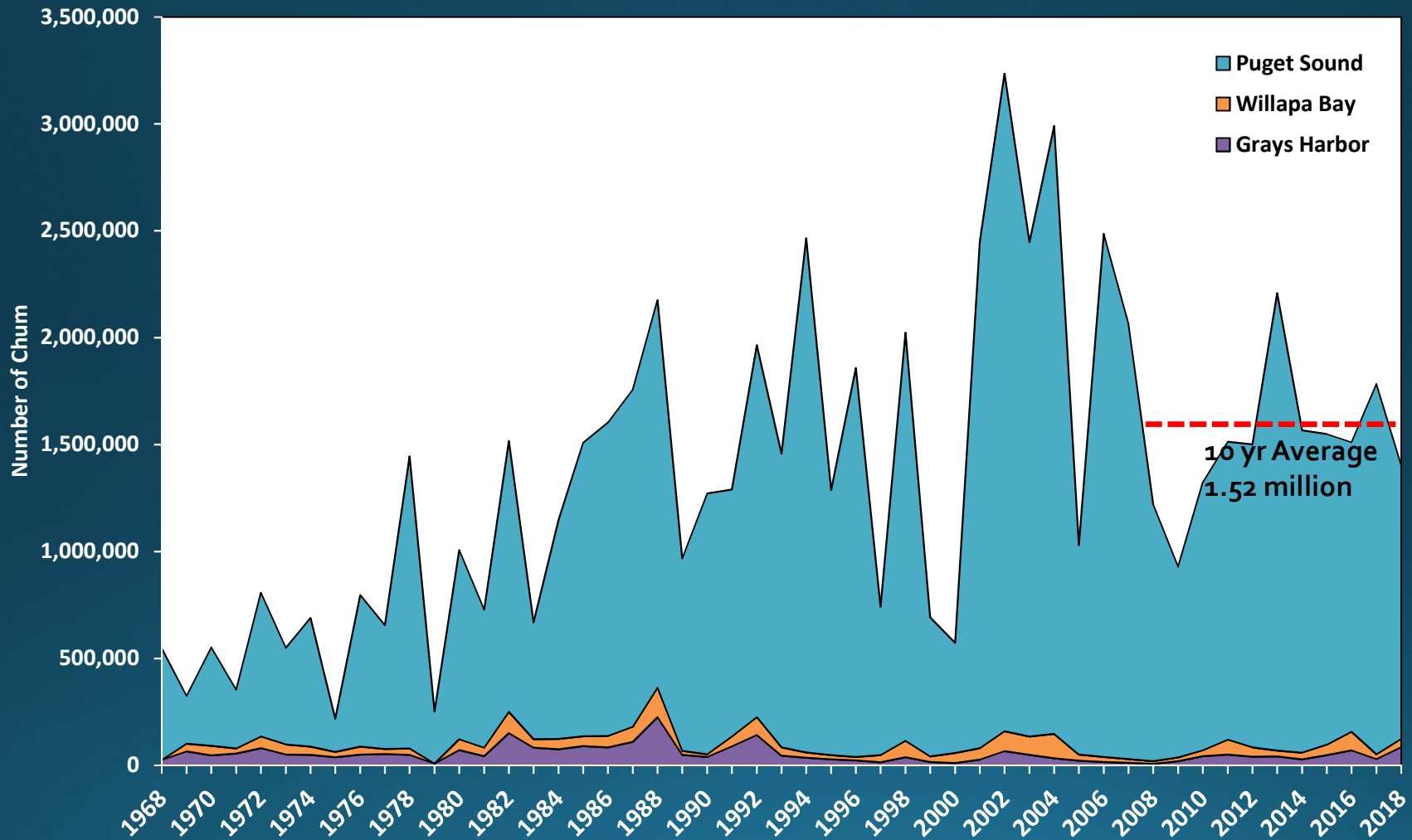
Coastal Hatchery Coho forecast ↓ 15% from recent 10 year avg.
(↓ 25% from 2019 forecast)



Chum



Chum Historical Runsize



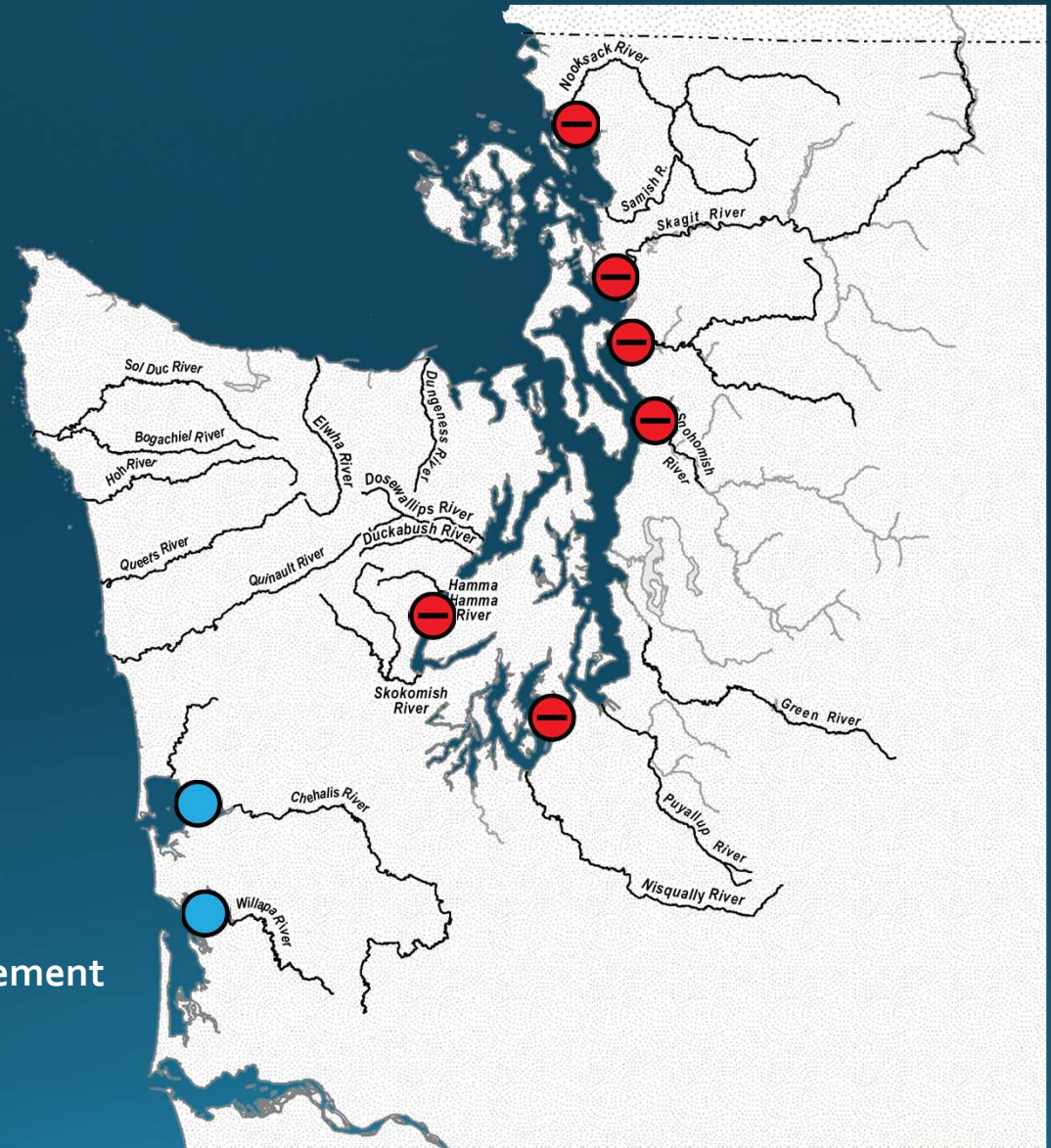
2019 Fall Chum Returns



- Returns were **Poor** for Puget Sound
- **Neutral** to **Poor** in SS and HC
- HC and SS are relative to in-season updated runsizes, not escapement

Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

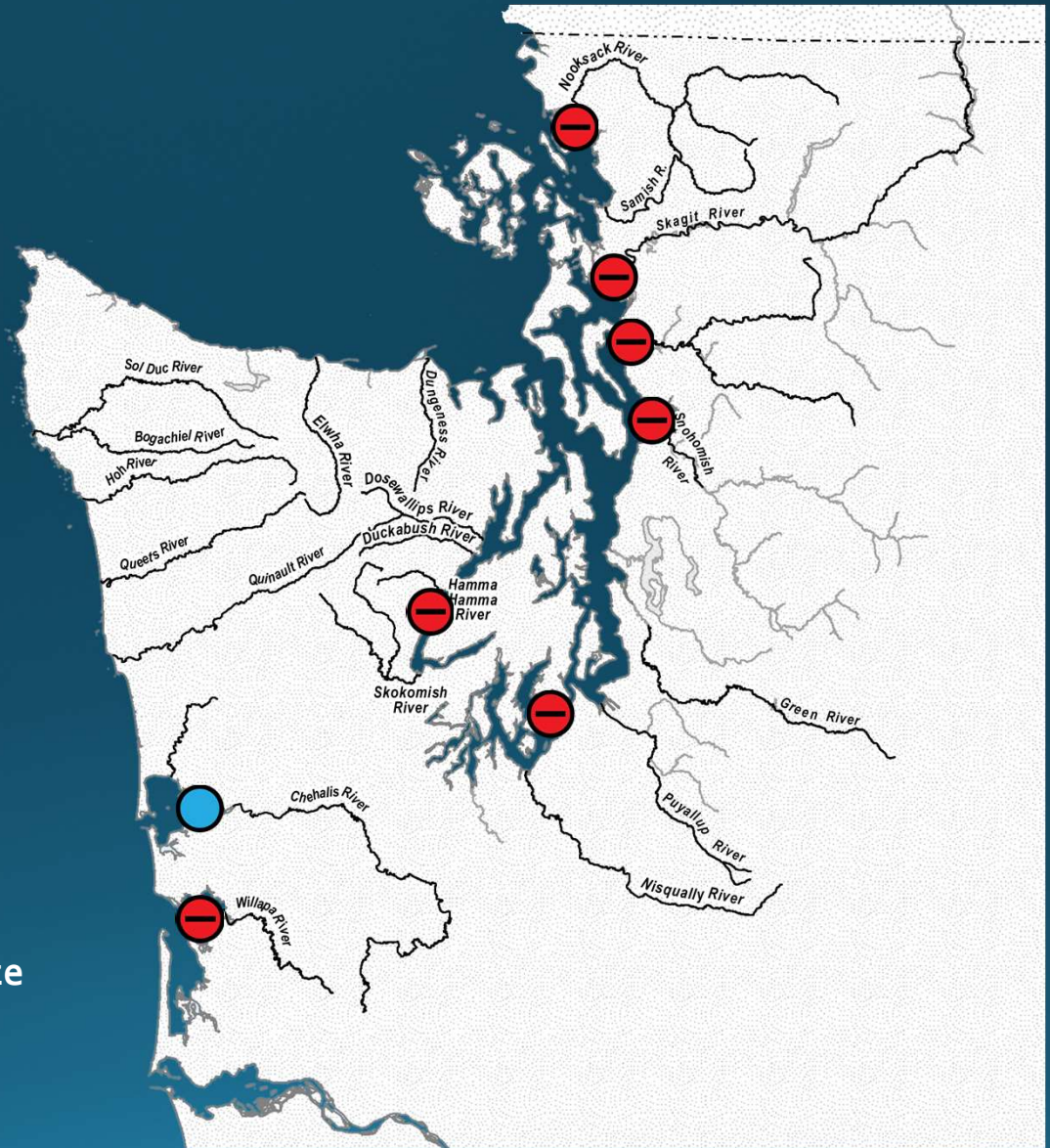
- ⊕ Good > 125%
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- ⊖ Poor < 75%



2020 Fall Chum Forecast



- Forecasts range from **Neutral** to **Poor**
- Hood Canal - **472k**
- Central/S. Sound – **309k**
- Coast – Willapa – **41k**
Grays H – **33k**

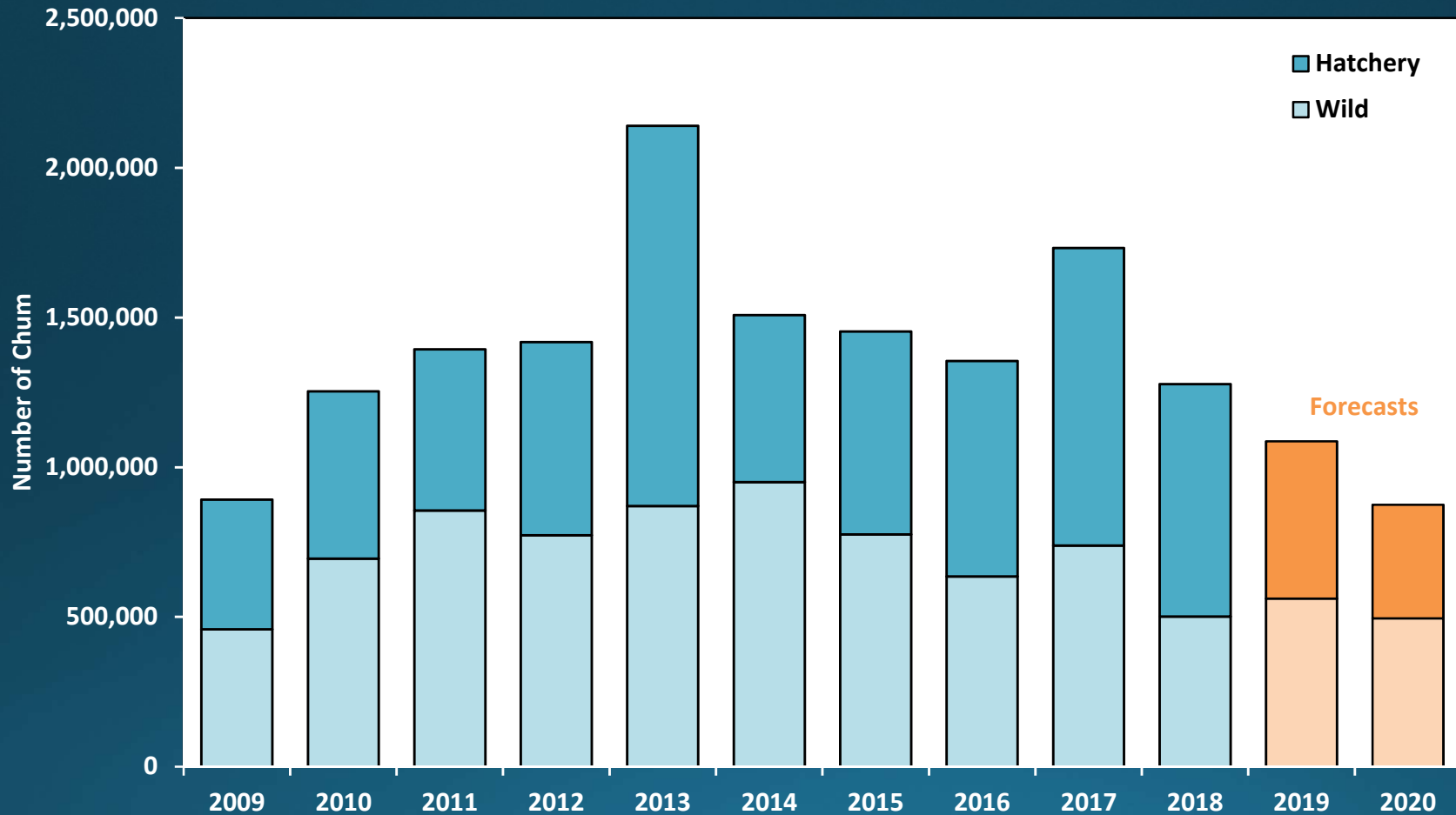


Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

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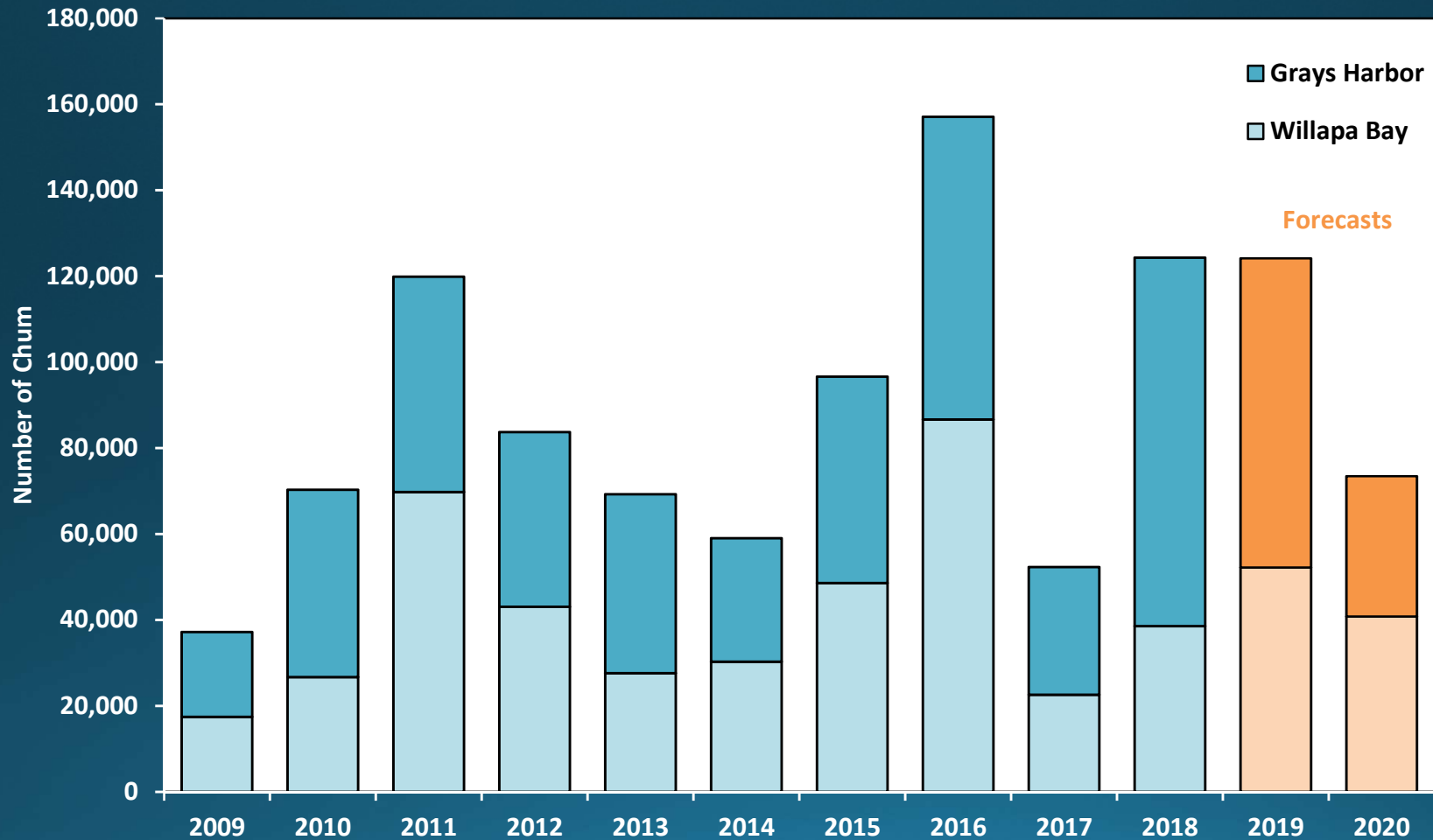
Puget Sound Chum Forecasts

Hatchery ↓ 48% and Wild ↓ 32% over recent 10 year avg.



Coastal Chum Forecasts

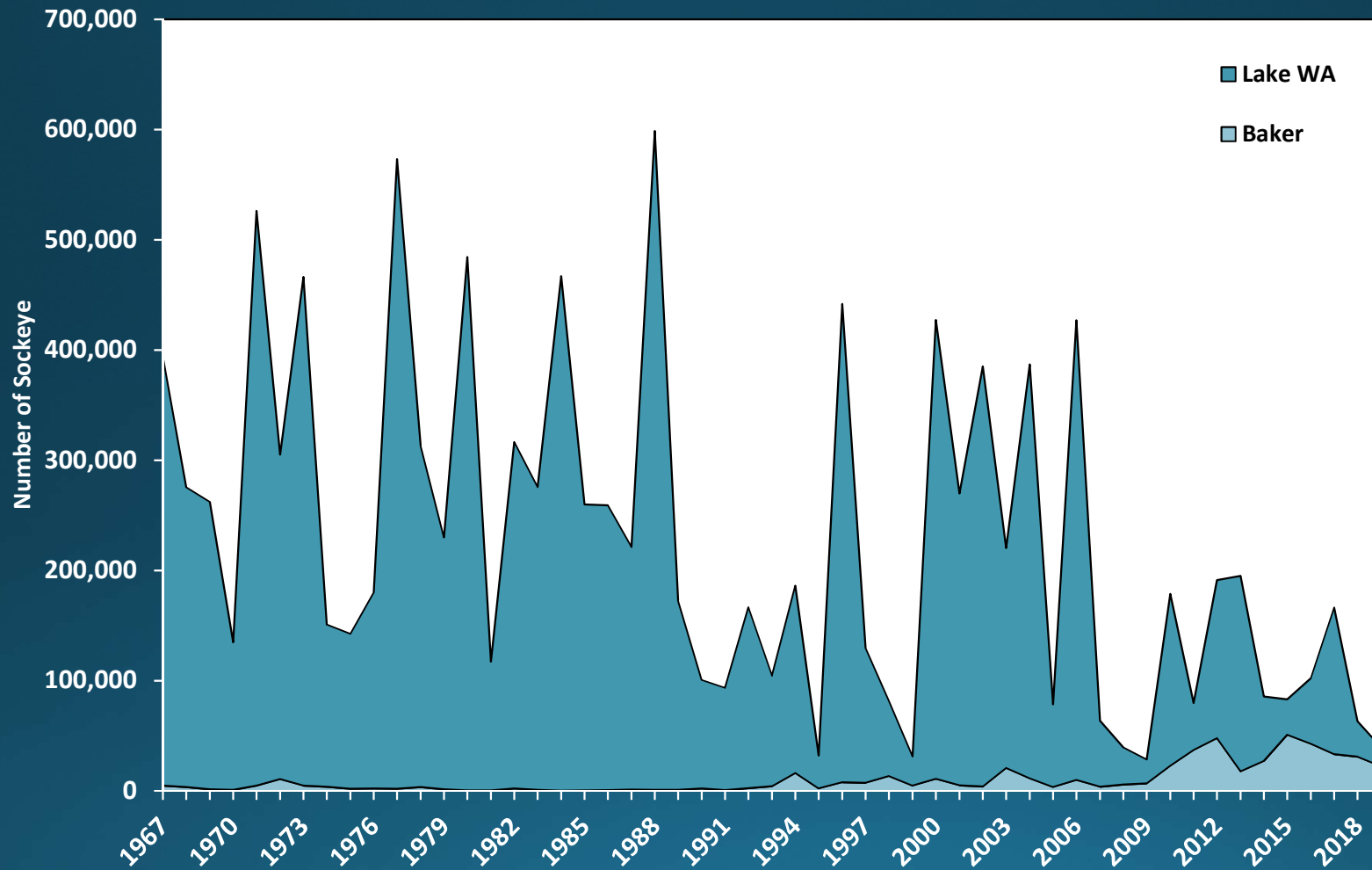
Willapa Bay ↑ 1% and Grays Harbor ↓ 28% over recent 10 year avg.



Sockeye



Puget Sound Sockeye Runsize



2019 Sockeye Returns



- Returns were **Poor** in Puget Sound and Columbia River

Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

- ⊕ Good > 125%
- ⊙ Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%






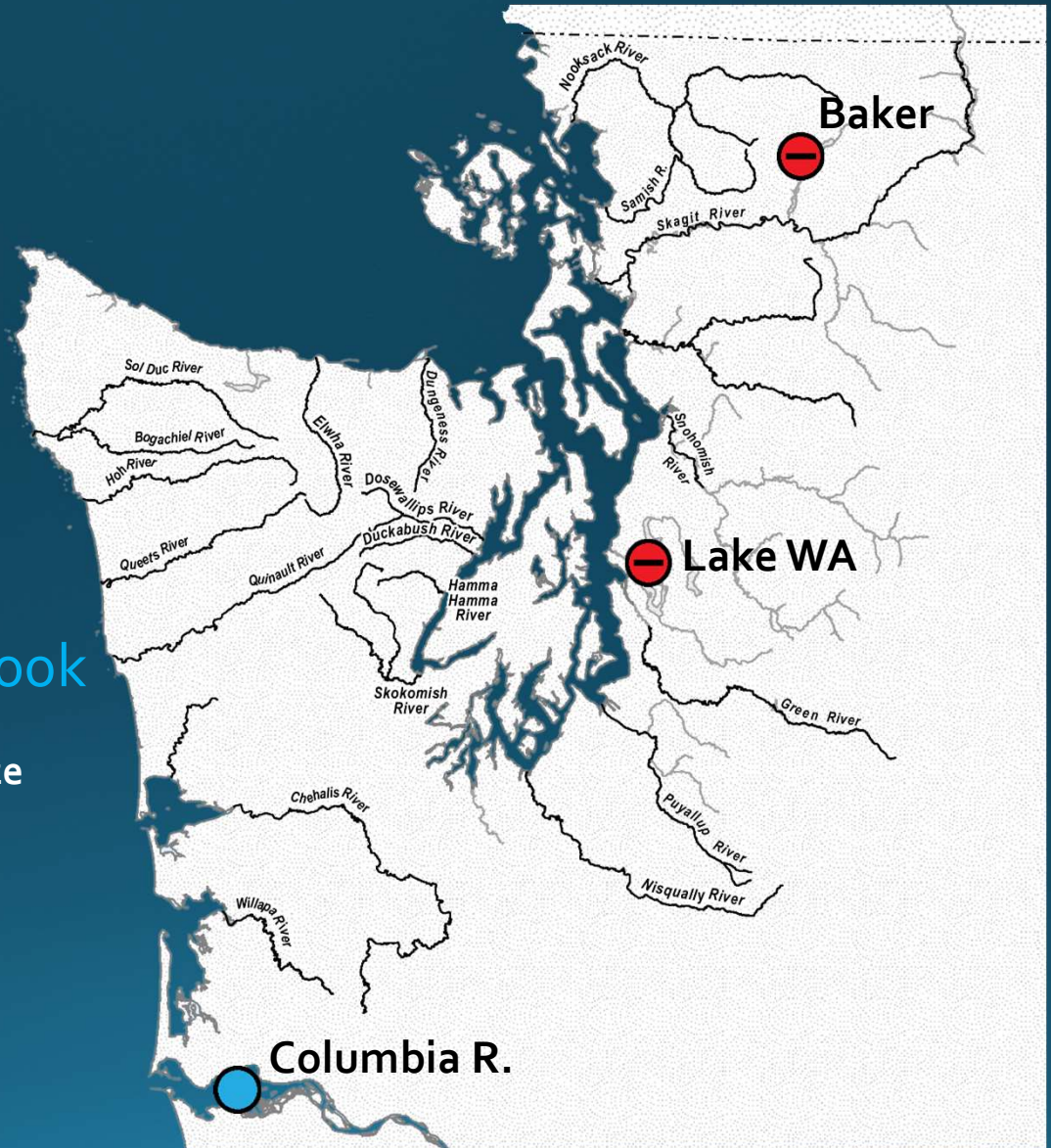
2020 Sockeye Forecast



- Baker Lake – **TBD***
- Lake WA – **20,166k**
- Columbia river - **246,300k**

Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

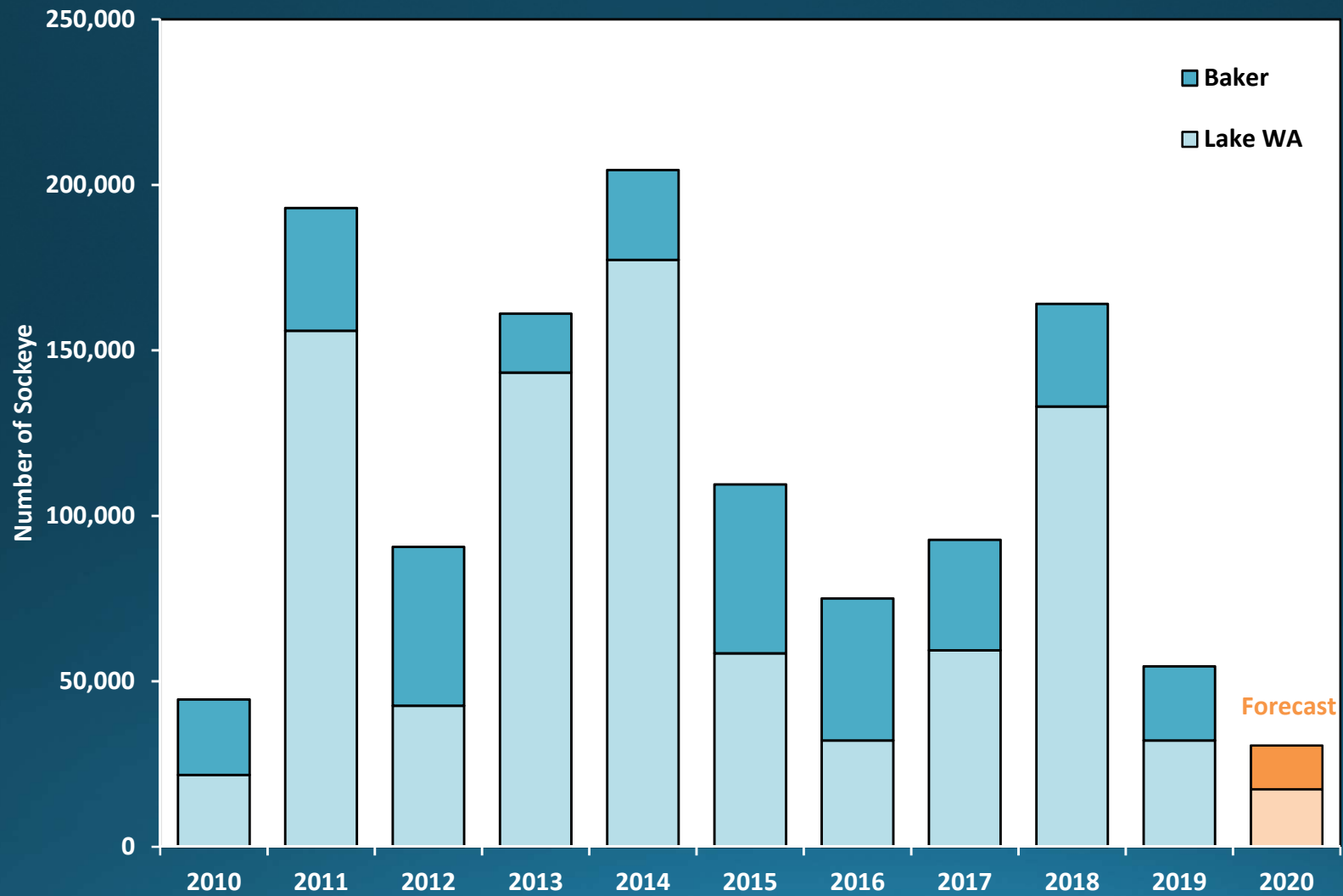
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*Baker Lake TBD – 2020 estimate under further review, preliminary estimates are 50-60% below recent 10 year average

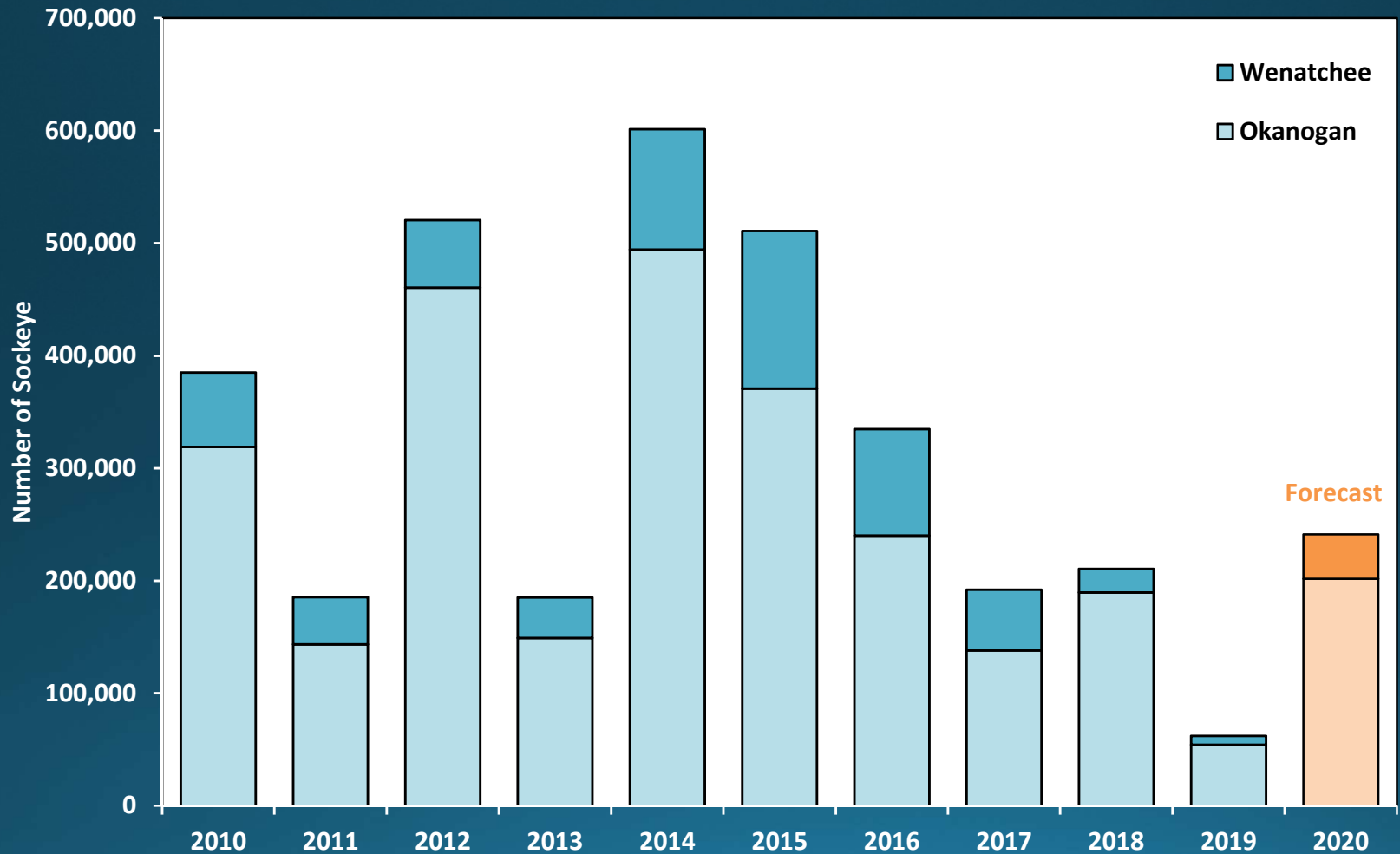
Puget Sound Sockeye Forecasts

Lake WA ↓ 80% and Baker ↓ 60% over recent 10 year avg.



Columbia Sockeye Forecasts

Lake Wenatchee ↓ 37% and Okanogan ↓ 21% over recent 10 year avg.





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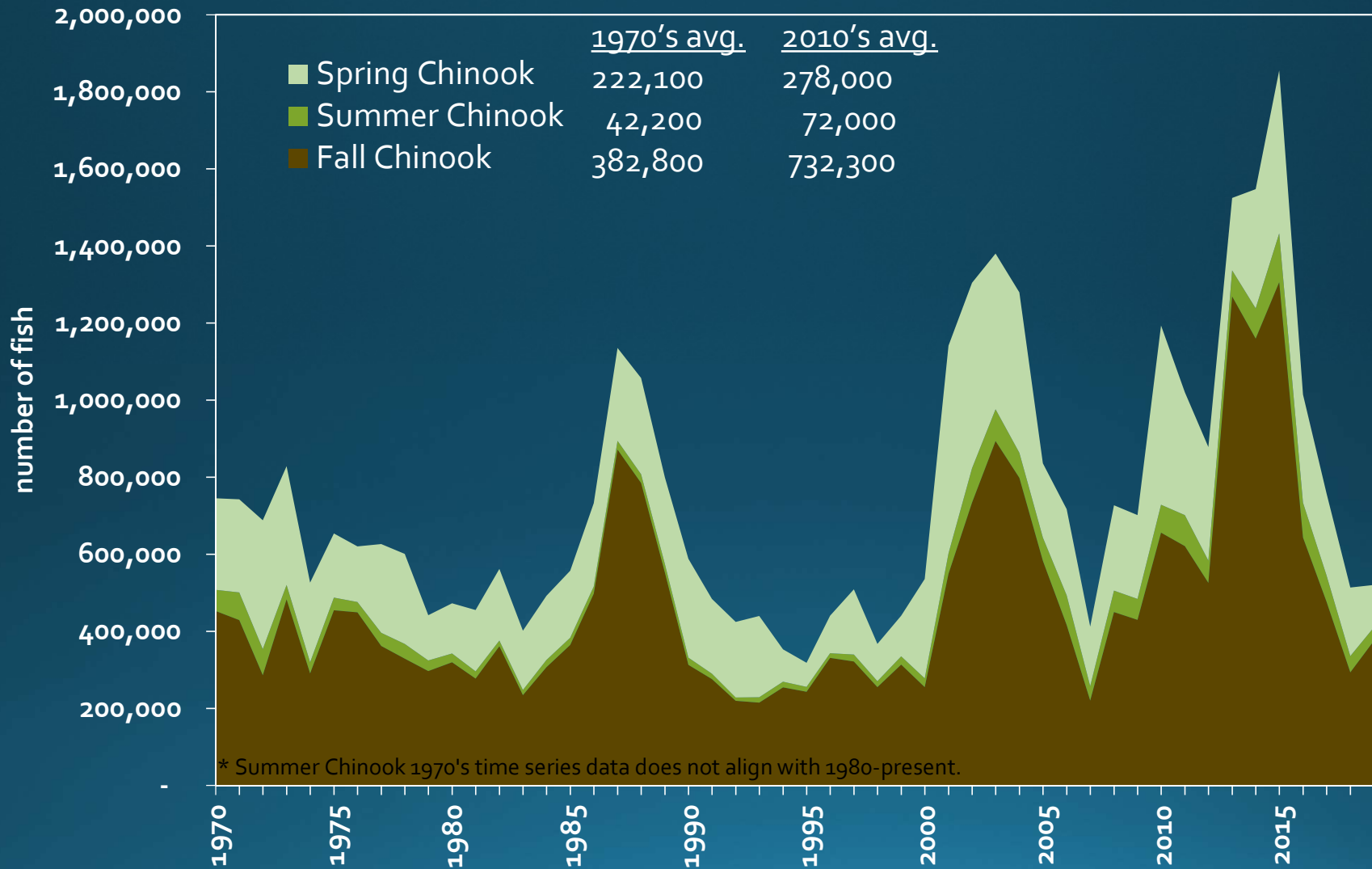
WA Columbia River Chinook and Coho 2019 Returns and 2020 Forecasts

Tim Sippel, PhD

Chinook Salmon



Chinook Historical Runsize – Columbia River

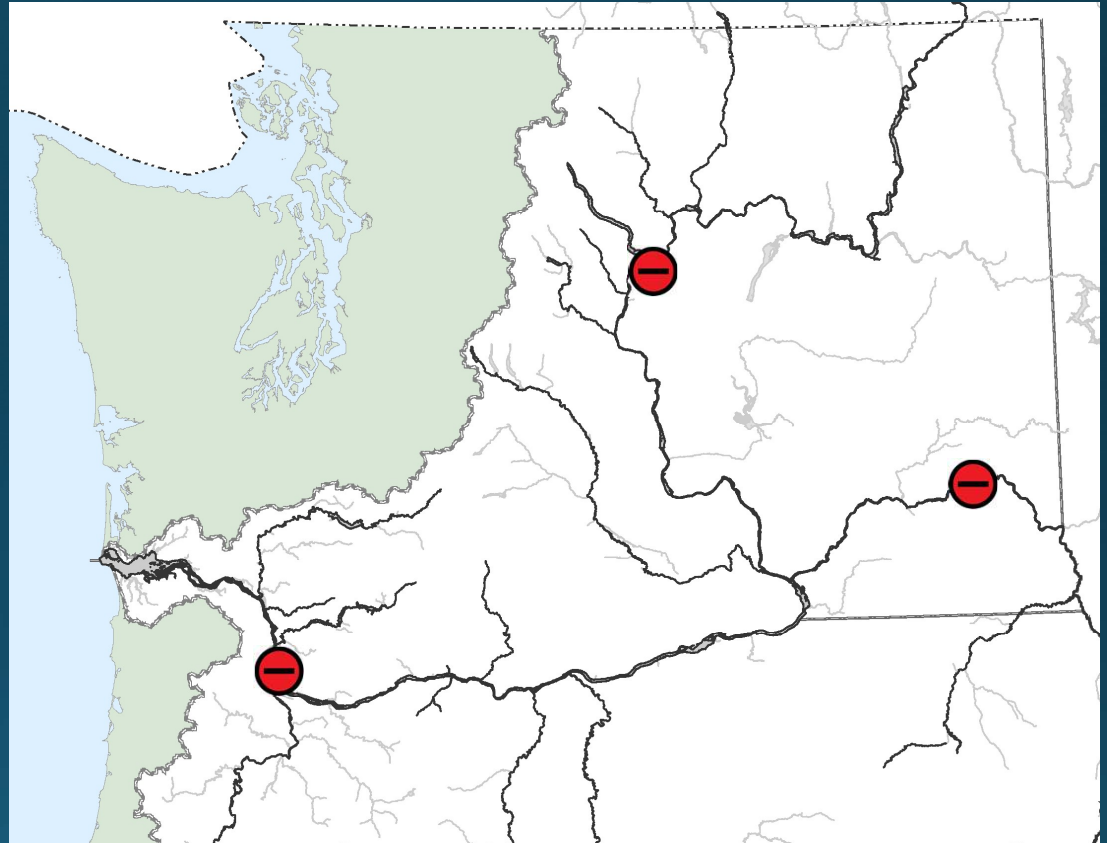


2019 Spring/Summer Chinook Returns



Returns

- Lower Spring – 37k (41%)
- Upriver Spring – 73k (37%)
- Summer – 35k (47%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

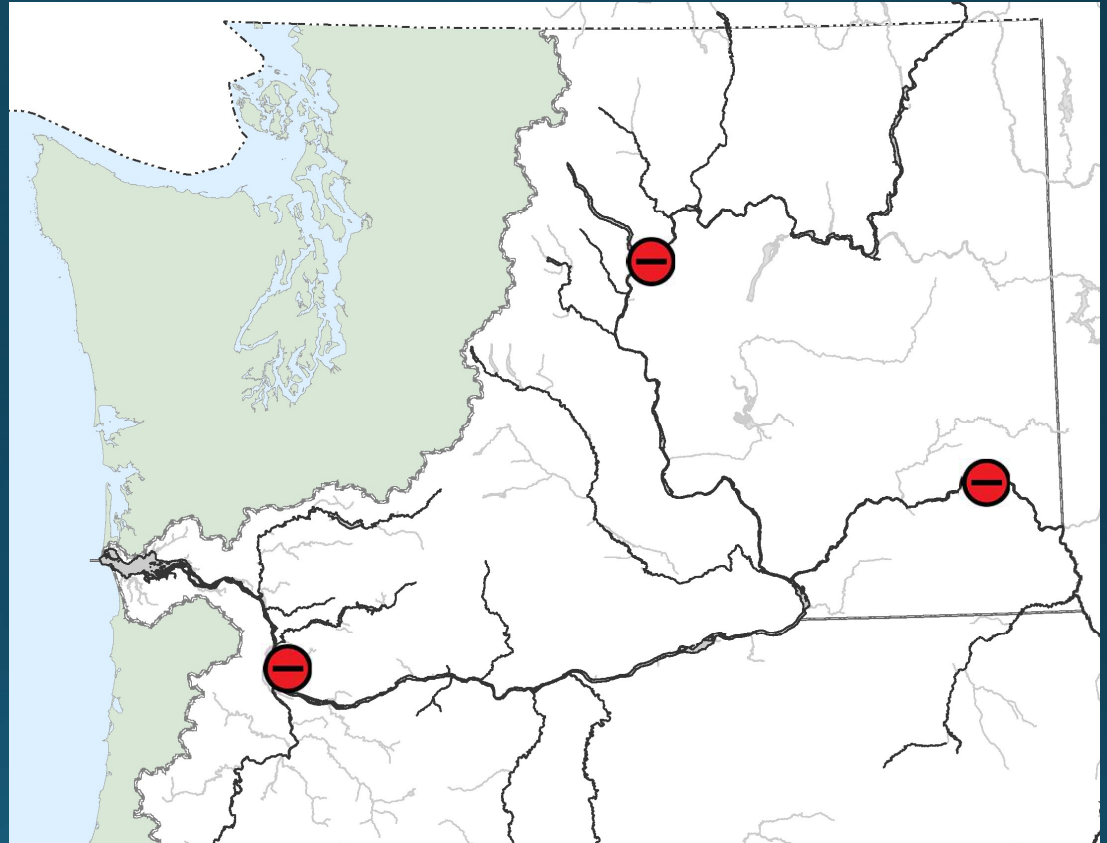
- ⊕ Good > 125%
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- ⊖ Poor < 75%

2020 Spring/Summer Chinook Forecasts



Forecasts in Columbia River range from

- Lower Spring – 54k (65%)
- Upriver Spring – 82k (43%)
- Summer – 38k (43%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

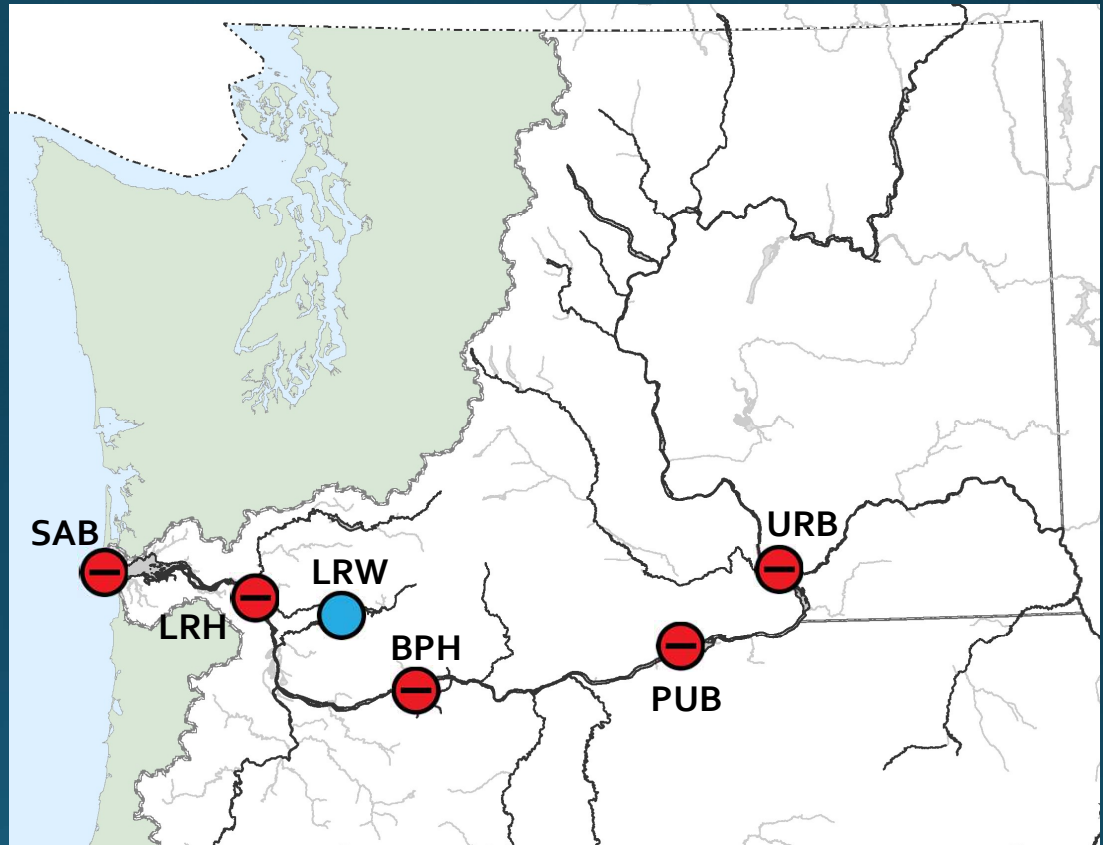
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2019 Fall Chinook Returns



Returns

- SAB (Select Area Bright) – 0.9k (8%)
- LRH (Lower River Hatchery) – 49k (54%)
- LRW (Lower River Wild) – 17k (105%)
- BPH (Bonneville Pool Hatchery) – 29k (36%)
- PUB (Pool Upriver Bright) – 58k (68%)
- URB (Upriver Bright) – 212k (50%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

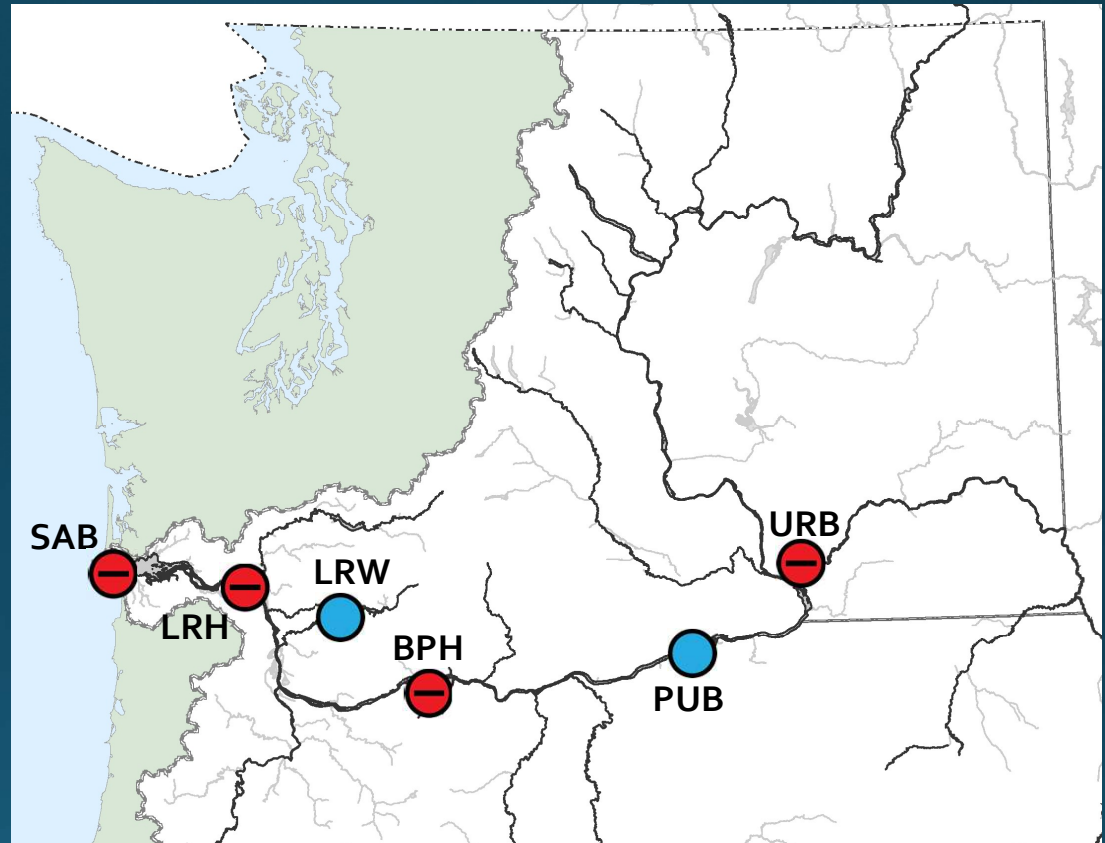
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2020 Fall Chinook Forecasts



Forecasts in Columbia River range from

- SAB (Select Area Bright) – 1.0k (9%)
- LRH (Lower River Hatchery) – 51k (58%)
- LRW (Lower River Wild) – 20k (118%)
- BPH (Bonneville Pool Hatchery) – 46k (59%)
- PUB (Pool Upriver Bright) – 72k (82%)
- URB (Upriver Bright) – 233k (55%)



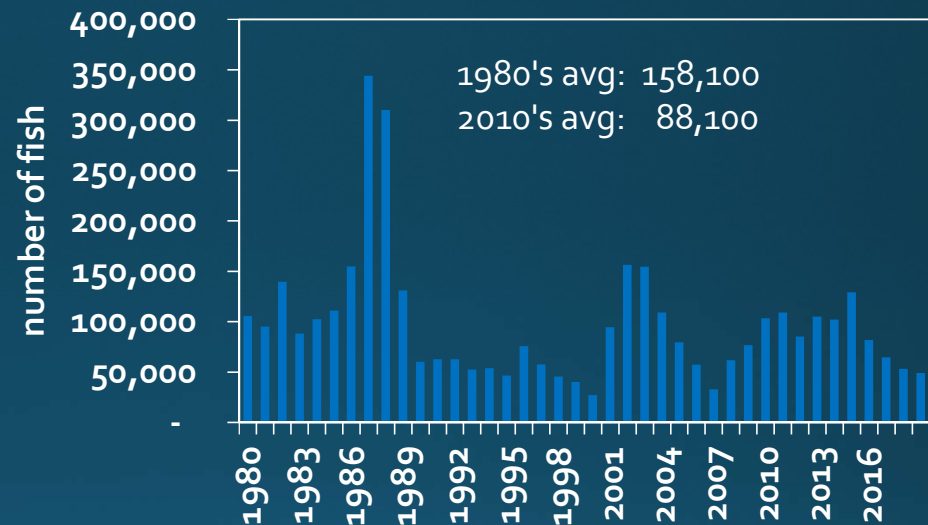
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Lower Columbia River Tule Exploitation Rate (ER) Matrix

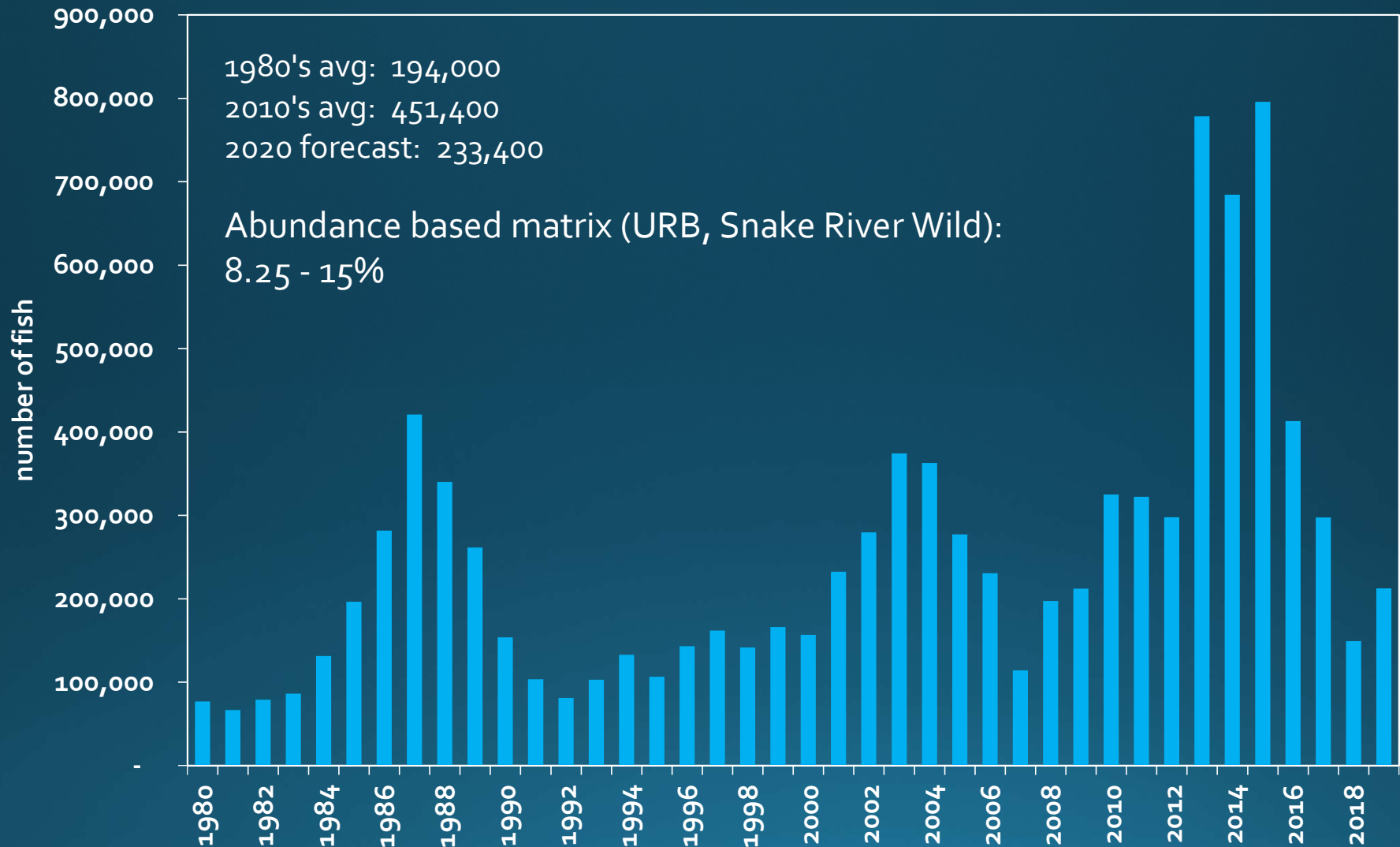
<u>LRH Run Size</u>	<u>LCR Tule ER</u>
<30,000	30%
30,000 – 40,000	35%
40,000 – 85,000	38%
>85,000	41%

Columbia River Lower River Hatchery
Fall Chinook Specific Stock Returns



- LRH is down 42% compared to the previous 10 year return.
- 2020 LRH forecast of 51,000 will manage in ocean and in-river fisheries to not to exceed a 38% ER.

Chinook Historical Runsize – URB

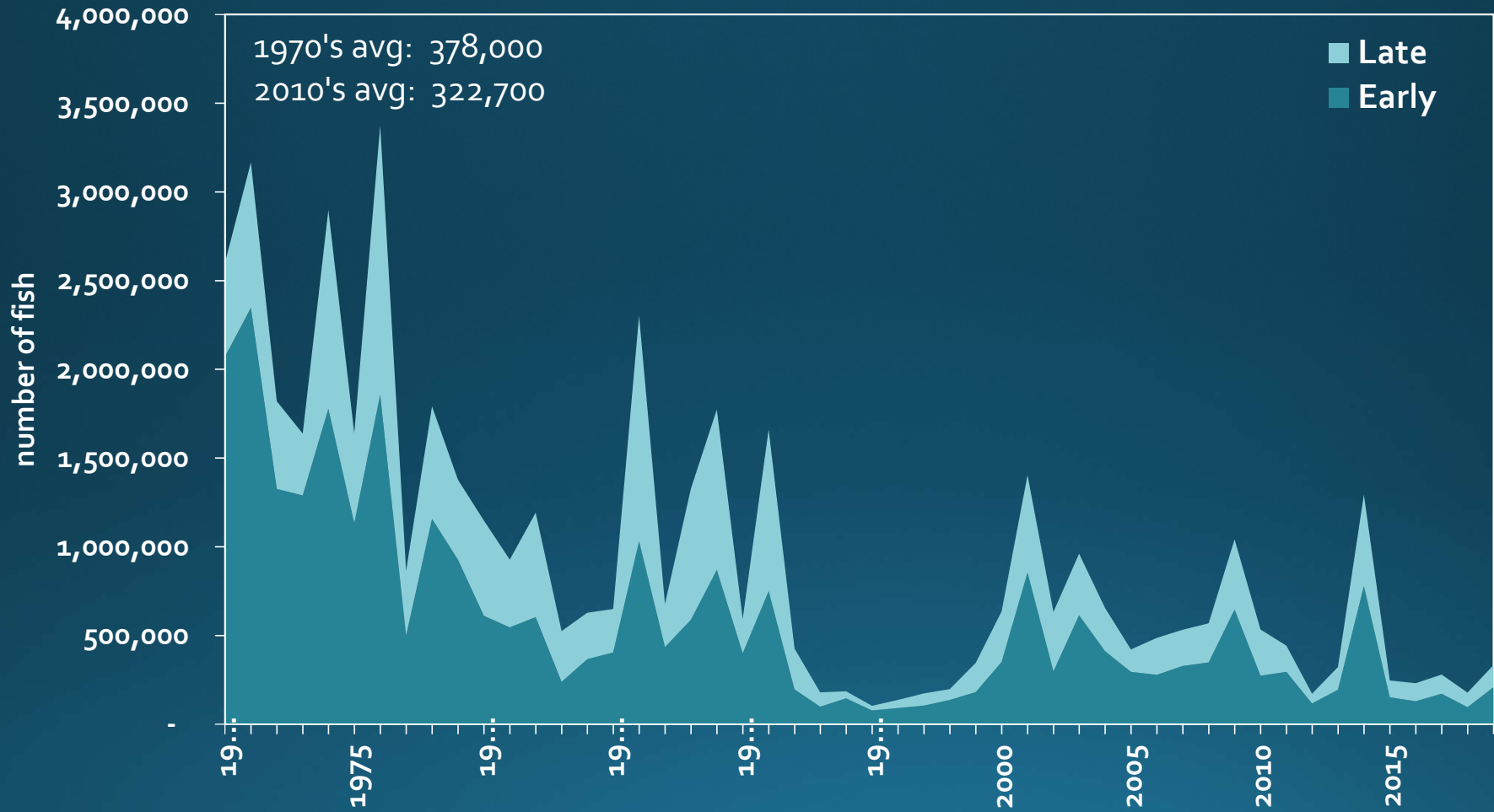


Coho



Thomas Kline

Coho Ocean Abundance – Columbia River

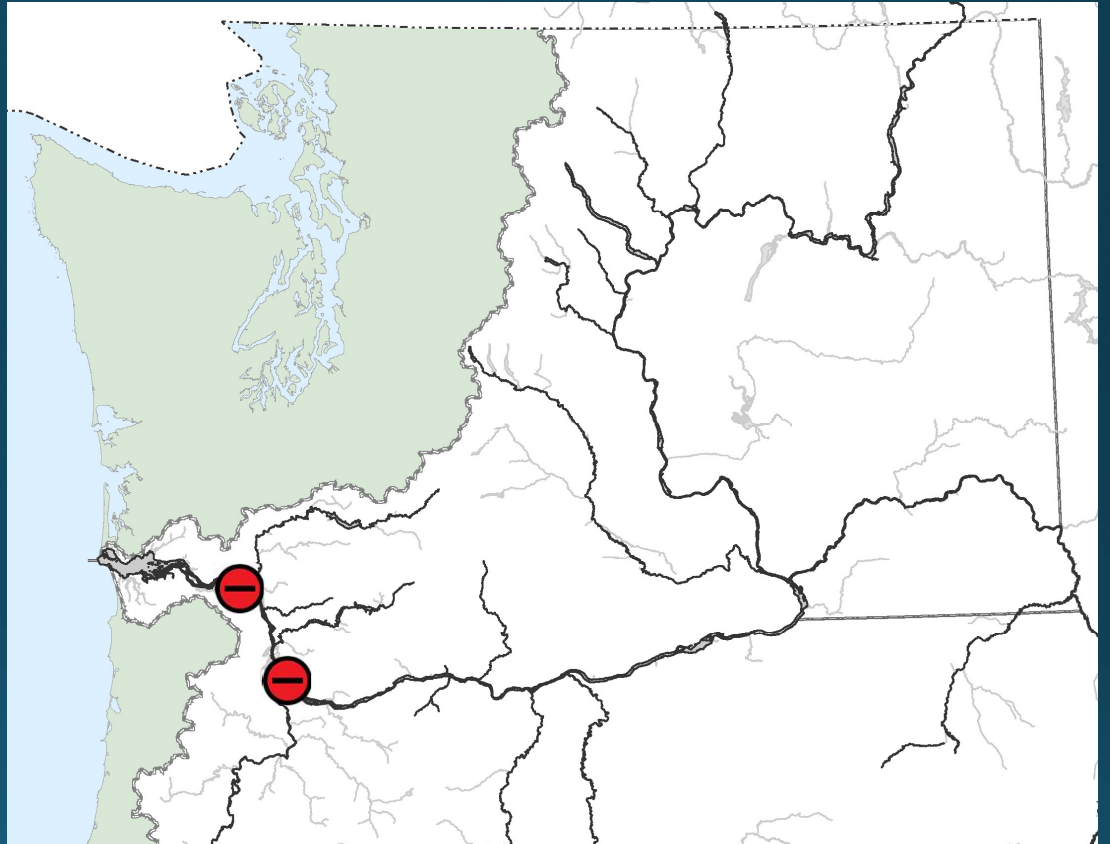


2019 Coho Returns (ocean abundance)



Returns:

- Early – 207k (73%)
- Late – 124k (66%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

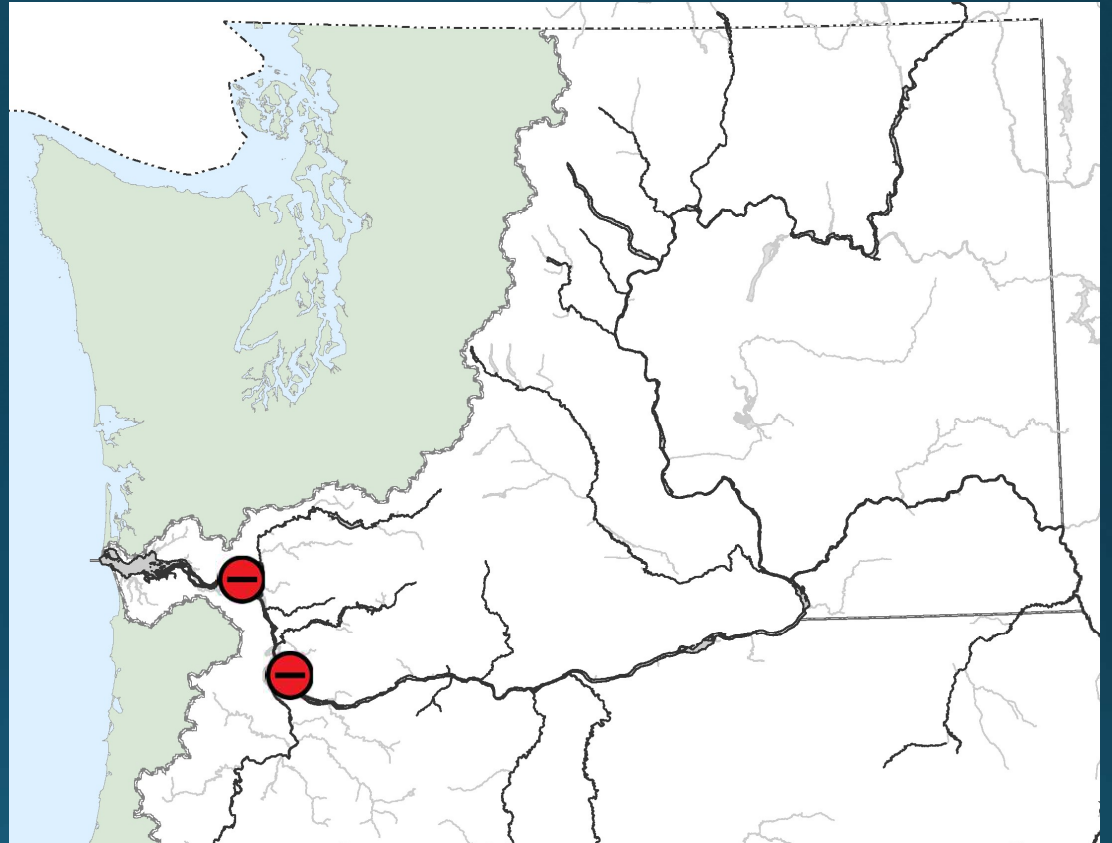
- ⊕ Good > 125%
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2020 Coho Forecasts (ocean abundance)



Forecasts in Columbia River range from

- Early – 131k (54%)
- Late – 50k (31%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

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Lower Columbia Natural Coho Exploitation Rate (ER) Matrix

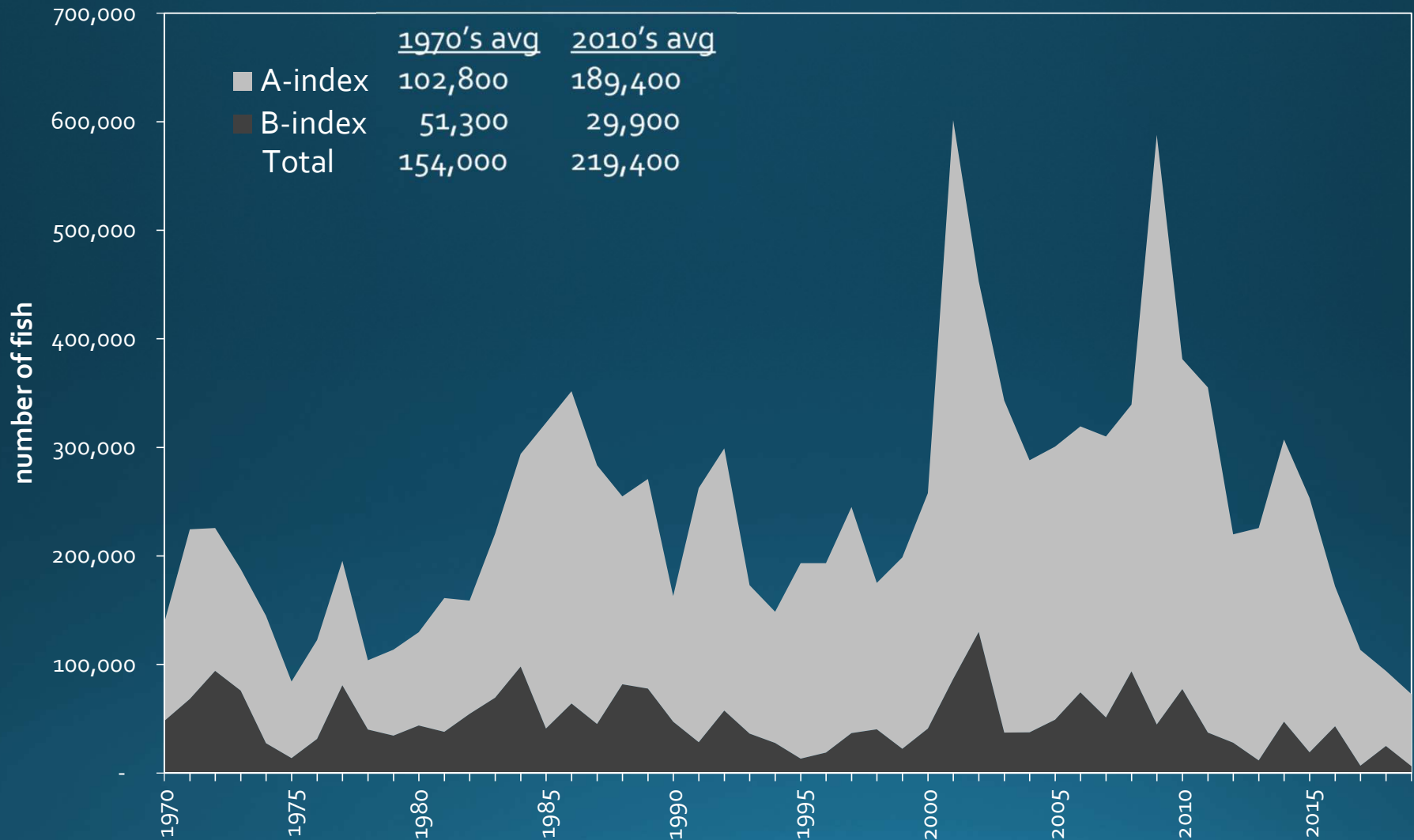
<u>Marine Survival Index</u>	<u>ER</u>
Very Low $\leq 0.06\%$	10%
Low $\leq 0.08\%$	15%
Medium $\leq 0.17\%$	18%
High $\leq 0.40\%$	23%
Very High $> 0.40\%$	30%

- Marine survival index is 0.09% (medium).
- Parental escapement exceeds 30% of full seeding on index sites.
- Exploitation rate for 2020 is 18%.

Steelhead



Upriver Summer Steelhead



2019 Steelhead Returns



Returns

- A-index – 66k (28%)
- B-index – 6.3k (19%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Escapement

- ⊕ Good > 125%
- ⊙ Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%

2020 Steelhead Forecasts



Forecasts in Columbia River range from

- A-index – 86k (45%)
- B-index – 9.6k (32%)



Relative to Recent 10yr Avg. Runsize

- ⊕ Good > 125%
- ⊙ Neutral 75-125%
- ⊖ Poor < 75%



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2020 PFMC Update

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PFMC Pre-I Table I-1

TABLE I-1. Preseason adult Chinook salmon stock forecasts in thousands of fish. (Page 1 of 3)

Production Source and Stock or Stock Group	Preseason Abundance Forecasts					
	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Sacramento River						
Fall (Sacramento Index)	652.0	299.6	230.7	229.4	379.6	473.2
Winter (age-3 absent fishing)	--	--	--	1.6	1.9	3.1
Klamath River (Ocean Abundance)						
Fall	423.8	142.2	54.2	359.2	274.2	186.6
Oregon Coast						
North and South/Local Migrating	--	--	--	--	--	--
Columbia River (Ocean Escapement)						
Cowlitz Spring	11.2	25.1	17.1	5.2	1.3	1.4
Kalama Spring	1.9	4.9	3.1	1.5	1.4	1.0
Lewis Spring	1.1	1.0	0.7	3.7	1.5	1.4
Willamette Spring	55.4	68.7	38.1	53.8	40.2	40.8
Sandy Spring	5.5	NA	3.6	5.3	5.5	5.2
Upriver Spring ^{ad}	232.5	188.8	160.4	166.7	99.3	81.7
Upriver Summer ^{bd}	73.0	93.3	63.1	67.3	35.9	38.3
LRW Fall	18.9	22.2	12.5	7.6	13.7	19.7
LRH Fall	94.9	133.7	92.4	62.4	54.5	51.0
SCH Fall	160.5	89.6	158.4	50.1	46.0	46.2
MCB Fall	113.3	101.0	45.6	36.4	56.7	71.8
URB Fall	500.3	589.0	260.0	200.1	158.4	233.4

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PFMC Pre-I Table I-1 Cont.

TABLE I-1. Preseason adult Chinook salmon stock forecasts in thousands of fish. (Page 2 of 3)

Production Source and Stock or Stock Group		Preseason Abundance Forecasts					
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Washington Coast							
Willapa Bay Fall	Natural	3.8	3.3	4.2	3.8	4.3	2.9
	Hatchery	31.0	36.2	34.3	40.3	23.6	28.3
Quinault Spring/Summer Grays Harbor Fall	Natural				16.4	18.0	NA
	Hatchery	--	--	--	4.8	7.7	NA
Quinault Spring/Summer	Natural	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	Hatchery	--	--	--	4.8	NA	NA
Quinault Fall	Natural	8.1	5.5	5.9	5.2	5.3	NA
	Hatchery	4.0	5.3	4.4	3.1	2.7	NA
Queets Spring/Summer Queets Fall	Natural	0.4	0.5	0.5	0.5	0.6	NA
	Hatchery	4.3	4.9	3.7	3.3	3.4	NA
Hoh Spring/Summer Hoh Fall	Natural	1.5	1.7	0.9	0.6	0.8	NA
	Hatchery	0.8	0.9	1.0	1.1	1.0	0.8
Quillayute Spring Quillayute Summer/Fall	Natural	2.6	1.8	2.7	2.6	2.5	2.6
	Hatchery	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.4
Hoko ^d	Natural	8.5	7.5	7.6	8.0	7.9	9.8
	Hatchery	3.3	2.9	1.5	1.5	2.8	2.6
North Coast Totals							
Spring/Summer	Natural	1.2	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	NA
Fall	Natural	23.5	19.7	19.9	19.1	19.2	NA
Spring/Summer	Hatchery	1.7	1.8	2.2	2.1	2.1	2.4
Fall	Hatchery	5.5	7.0	5.3	3.7	3.5	NA

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TABLE I-1. Preseason adult Chinook salmon stock forecasts in thousands of fish. (Page 3 of 3)

Production Source and Stock or Stock Group		Preseason Abundance Forecasts					
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Puget Sound summer/fall^d							
Nooksack/Samish	Hatchery	38.6	27.9	21.2	24.6	21.3	18.2
East Sound Bay	Hatchery	1.2	0.7	0.8	0.7	0.3	0.3
Skagit	Natural	11.8	15.1	15.8	13.3	13.6	12.9
	Hatchery	0.6	0.4	0.4	0.3	0.3	0.5
Stillaguamish ^e	Natural	0.5	0.5	1.5	1.6	0.9	0.9
Snohomish ^e	Natural	4.2	3.3	3.4	3.5	3.2	3.0
	Hatchery	3.3	5.0	4.8	6.5	7.0	6.8
Tulalip ^e	Hatchery	1.3	1.4	5.3	7.5	12.5	6.0
South Puget Sound	Natural	3.8	4.5	4.7	4.8	8.4	5.8
	Hatchery	62.4	43.1	80.4	123.6	99.9	100.7
Hood Canal	Natural	3.1	2.3	2.5	3.9	1.2	4.6
	Hatchery	59	42.7	48.3	57.6	66.0	67.6
Strait of Juan de Fuca Including Dungeness spring run	Natural	4.9	3.7	3.1	6.0	8.3	5.0

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PFMC Pre-I Table I-2

TABLE I-2. Preseason ocean abundance adult coho salmon stock forecasts in thousands of fish. (Page 1 of 2)

Production Source and Stock or Stock Group		Preseason Ocean Abundance Forecasts					
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
OPI Area Total Abundance (California, Oregon Coasts, and Columbia River)		1,015.0	549.2	496.2	349.0	1,009.6	268.7
OPI Public	Hatchery	808.4	396.5	394.3	294.1	933.5	185.7
	Columbia River Early	515.2	153.7	231.7	164.7	545.0	130.7
	Columbia River Late	261.8	226.9	154.6	121.5	360.6	50.3
	Coastal N. of Cape Blanco	6.9	5.5	3.5	3.3	12.0	2.4
	Coastal S. of Cape Blanco	24.4	10.4	4.5	4.6	15.9	2.3
Lower Columbia River	Natural	35.9	40.0	30.1	21.9	36.9	24.6
Oregon Coast (OCN)	Natural	206.6	152.7	101.9	54.9	76.1	83.0
Washington Coast							
Willapa	Natural	42.9	39.5	36.7	20.6	63.4	17.9
	Hatchery	57.7	28.1	55.0	44.5	94.0	51.8
Grays Harbor	Natural	142.6	35.7	50.0	42.4	71.5	50.0
	Hatchery	46.6	22.9	36.4	51.4	64.3	42.3
Quinault	Natural	44.2	17.1	26.3	25.4	13.9	17.5
	Hatchery	24.9	19.8	29.4	29.6	26.9	27.0
Queets	Natural	7.5	3.5	6.5	7.0	11.1	7.8
	Hatchery	11.3	4.5	13.7	10.8	13.2	10.9
Hoh	Natural	5.1	2.1	6.2	5.8	7.0	4.2

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PFMC Pre-I Table I-2 Cont.

TABLE I-2. Preseason adult coho salmon stock forecasts in thousands of fish. (Page 2 of 2)

Production Source and Stock or Stock Group		Preseason Ocean Abundance Forecasts					
		2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020
Quillayute Fall	Natural	10.5	4.5	15.8	10.6	14.7	9.2
	Hatchery	8.0	6.4	17.6	16.5	17.0	13.0
Quillayute Summer	Natural	1.2	0.3	1.5	2.7	1.2	0.8
	Hatchery	2.2	1.4	3.4	3.3	3.4	3.4
North Coast Independent Tributaries	Natural	11.7	1.9	6.5	4.1	8.1	5.1
	Hatchery	11.9	2.5	0.2	7.9	12.5	1.3
<i>WA Coast Total</i>	<i>Natural</i>	<i>265.6</i>	<i>104.6</i>	<i>149.5</i>	<i>118.7</i>	<i>191.0</i>	<i>112.4</i>
	<i>Hatchery</i>	<i>162.6</i>	<i>85.6</i>	<i>155.6</i>	<i>164.1</i>	<i>231.3</i>	<i>149.6</i>
Puget Sound							
Strait of Juan de Fuca	Natural	11.1	4.4	13.1	7.2	8.8	7.5
	Hatchery	11.1	3.9	15.4	10.6	16.8	20.6
Nooksack-Samish	Natural	28.1	9.0	13.2	20.6	25.1	15.4
	Hatchery	50.8	28.8	45.6	61.3	59.8	42.5
Skagit	Natural	121.4	8.9	11.2	59.2	57.9	31.0
	Hatchery	19.5	4.9	7.6	13.1	9.9	18.2
Stillaguamish	Natural	31.3	2.8	7.6	19.0	23.8	19.5
	Hatchery	0.0	0.0	1.5	0.0	2.2	2.3
Snohomish	Natural	151.5	20.6	107.3	65.9	62.6	39.0
	Hatchery	53.9	16.7	62.0	38.3	43.7	26.6
South Sound	Natural	63.0	9.9	20.2	15.0	30.4	7.3
	Hatchery	180.2	27.1	102.4	103.0	180.4	164.0
Hood Canal	Natural	61.5	35.3	115.6	59.5	40.1	35.0
	Hatchery	108.4	83.5	74.9	84.5	87.9	72.2
<i>Puget Sound Total</i>	<i>Natural</i>	<i>467.9</i>	<i>91.0</i>	<i>288.3</i>	<i>246.4</i>	<i>248.8</i>	<i>154.6</i>
	<i>Hatchery</i>	<i>423.9</i>	<i>165.0</i>	<i>309.3</i>	<i>310.8</i>	<i>400.7</i>	<i>346.3</i>

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