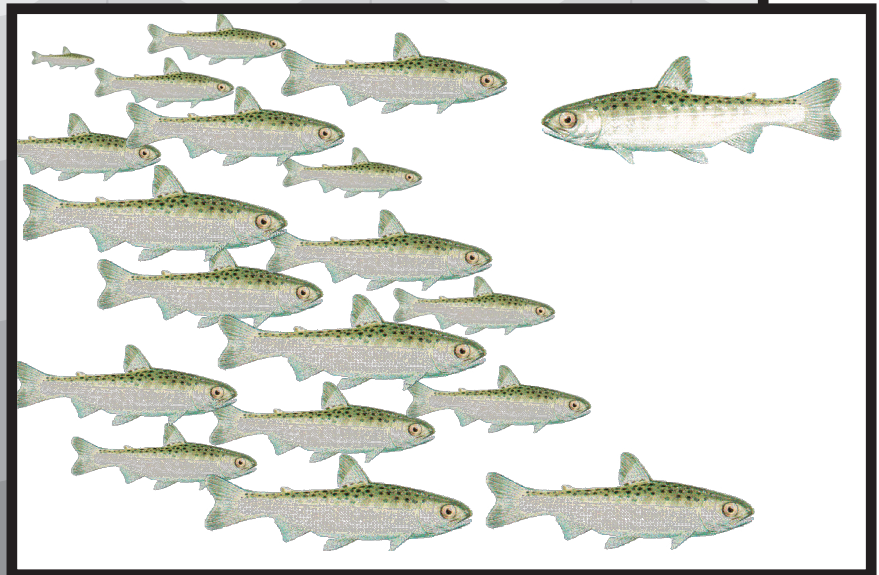


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# Executive Summary

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This report provides the results of monitoring five salmonid species as downstream migrants in 2005 from the two most heavily spawned tributaries in the Lake Washington Basin: the Cedar River and Bear Creek. Monitoring sockeye fry production in the Cedar River began in 1992 to investigate the causes of low adult sockeye returns. This annual trapping program, which continued through 2005, was expanded in 1999 with the addition of a second downstream migrant trap to estimate the production of juvenile chinook salmon. With this trap, the production of coho, steelhead and cutthroat smolts were also estimated.

In addition to the Cedar River, downstream migrant production is also measured in the Sammamish basin. A trap was operated in the Sammamish River in 1997 and 1998 to estimate sockeye fry production. This monitoring program was moved to Bear Creek in 1999 to concurrently assess chinook and sockeye production. Since 1999, as in the Cedar River, this trapping operation has also estimated the populations of coho, steelhead and cutthroat smolts.

## ***Cedar River***

Declining adult sockeye salmon returns in the late 1980s and early 1990s prompted an effort to investigate causes for this decline. To determine which life-stages were experiencing poor survival, an evaluation of fry production was undertaken in the Cedar River beginning in 1992. Assessing the sockeye population, at this location and life-stage, separates freshwater production into river and lake components. This report documents our evaluation during 2005, the fourteenth year of this project. The primary study goal was to estimate the season total migration of naturally produced (wild) Cedar River sockeye fry into Lake Washington. This estimate enables calculation of a survival rate for natural spawners from egg deposition to lake entry, and for production components from lake entry to subsequent life stages of smolts and adults.

Beginning in January and continuing through mid-May, a floating inclined-plane screen (fry) trap located at river mile (R.M.) 0.7 in the Cedar River was operated to capture a portion of the sockeye fry migrating into Lake Washington (Figure 1). To estimate the capture efficiency of this trap, dye-marked fry were released upstream of the trap on 45 nights during trapping season. Efficiency tests were stratified into four groups based on flow and the elevation of Lake Washington. The average of each group was used to estimate migration within each corresponding strata.

Over the season, 15.3 million hatchery produced sockeye fry were released into the Cedar River from two locations. A portion of these fry (11.6 million) was released below the fry trap at the Cedar River Trail Park. The remaining 3.6 million fry were released from Landsburg Hatchery on four nights. All hatchery fry were internally marked by slightly manipulating water temperatures in the hatchery, which produced a banding effect on the otoliths (calcified boney structures used for equilibrium). Survival of hatchery fry released at the Cedar River Trail Park was assumed to be 100%. Survival of the fry released at Landsburg was estimated based on a model developed using past year's data that correlates survival to the river discharge on the day of the release. The average survival rate from release at Landsburg to the trap site was 66%, and an estimated 2 million fry released from Landsburg survived to pass the trap.

Over the 60 nights trapped, 1.8 million wild sockeye fry were captured and this catch was expanded for intervals not fished. Application of the capture efficiency to the expanded catch estimated a total of 37 million wild sockeye fry entered Lake Washington in 2005.

Median migration timing for wild fry in 2005 was nearly three weeks earlier than average and earlier than all 13 broods measured thus far. February temperatures and flows explain most of the variation in median migration dates between years. Earlier out migration corresponded to river temperatures during incubation that were higher than normal. The median migration date for wild fry was March 2, 29 days later than that of the hatchery fry. This difference was roughly a week longer than average. Survival of wild fry from egg deposition to lake entry was estimated at 18.8%. This rate is the ratio of 37 million wild fry to an estimated deposition of 197 million eggs.

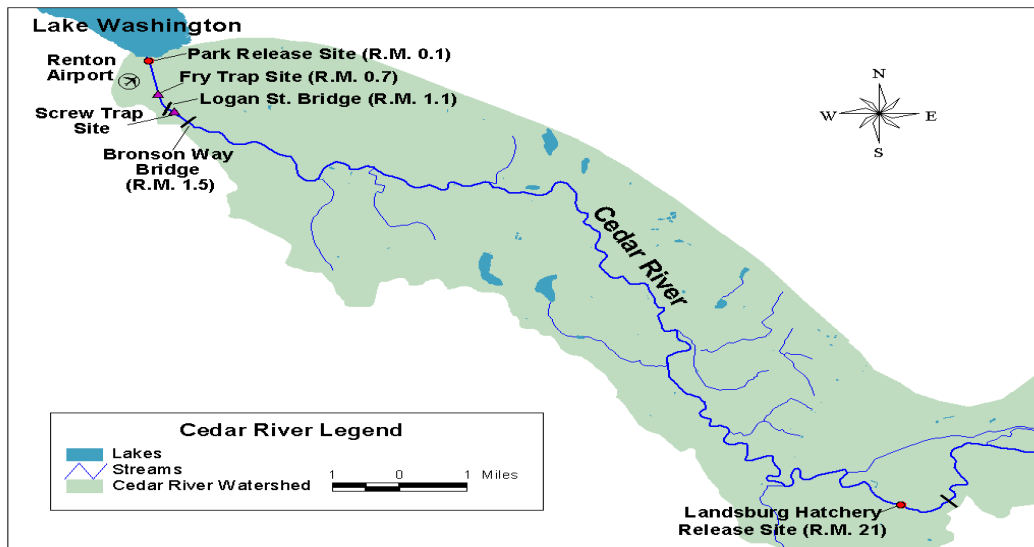
In response to the listing of the Puget Sound Chinook Evolutionary Significant Unit (ESU) under the Endangered Species Act as a threatened species, the existing sockeye fry monitoring program was expanded in 1999 to include an assessment of the natural chinook production in the Cedar River. The gear operated each year, starting in January, to assess sockeye fry production also captures chinook fry. To capture the larger, later migrating chinook smolts, a screw trap was installed at R.M. 1.1, and operated through July. Juvenile chinook production was estimated by applying the capture rate estimates to the catch data. From the start of the season in January through mid-April, we used the capture rate data generated with releases of marked sockeye to estimate fry trap efficiencies for chinook migrants. Screw trap efficiency was estimated by releasing groups of fin-marked chinook smolts above the trap.

Age 0+ chinook production from the Cedar River was estimated at 134,603 in 2005. Timing was bimodal with fry emigrating in January through mid-April comprising approximately half of the total migration. Egg-to-migrant survival was estimated at 5.9%. Over the season, age 0+ chinook increased in size from less than 40 mm in January to 138 mm by mid-June.

Over the season, based on actual and projected catches and estimates of capture rates we estimated the migrations of coho, steelhead<sup>1</sup> and cutthroat smolts at 71,247, 1,098 and 3,537, respectively.

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<sup>1</sup> We are uncertain if the downstream migrant rainbow trout referred to as steelhead follow an anadromous (saltwater rearing) or ad-fluvial (lake rearing) life history strategy. They are referred to as steelhead in this report since they appear identical to smolted juvenile steelhead from other rivers in western Washington.



**Figure 1.** Site map of the lower Cedar River watershed depicting the fry and screw trap locations, hatchery sockeye release sites, and trap efficiency test release sites for the 2005 trapping season.

## **Bear Creek**

A fry trap was installed on Big Bear Creek 100 yards downstream of the Redmond Way Bridge and operated from February through early April. In April, it was replaced with a screw trap that fished until the middle of July. Using the approach described for the Cedar River, downstream migrant production was estimated for wild sockeye fry, age 0+ chinook, coho, steelhead, and cutthroat smolts.

Throughout the fry trapping season, seven efficiency tests were conducted using sockeye fry. Capture rates ranged from 8.7% to 28.3% and averaged 19.4%. Total sockeye production was estimated at 202,815 fry. Relating this production to the estimated deposition of 2.3 million eggs yielded a survival rate of 8.8%.

Migration of age 0+ chinook during fry trap operation was estimated using the average efficiency measured with sockeye fry. During screw trap operation efficiency tests were conducted with marked chinook smolts, similar to the Cedar River. Efficiency was estimated by using 25 efficiency tests stratified into two groups based on flow. The average of each group was used to estimate corresponding migrations. Total production of age 0+ chinook was estimated at 9,317 in 2005. Migration timing was generally unimodal, with most chinook migrating as smolts in May. Weekly chinook fork lengths averaged less than 40 mm in February, and grew to 102 mm by late June. Egg to migrant survival was estimated at 3.0%.

Coho production was estimated at 43,725 smolts and cutthroat production at 4,280 smolts. During the 2005 trapping season, only two steelhead were caught in the Bear Creek screw trap.

# Introduction

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The decline of sockeye salmon returns to Lake Washington from the mid 1980s to 1991 prompted managers to begin investigating the cause(s). Although over 500,000 fish returned in 1988, by 1991 less than 100,000 sockeye returned through the Ballard Locks. In 1991, a broad-based group was formed to address this decline. Resource managers developed a program involving population monitoring in combination with an artificial production program. Information generated by these efforts, which continued through 2005, will be used to improve management of Lake Washington sockeye salmon.

At a gross-scale, sockeye life history can be partitioned into a freshwater incubation and rearing phase and a marine rearing phase. Existing management information indicated that marine survival had averaged 11%, varying eight-fold (2.6% to 21.4%), for the 1967 to 1993 broods with no apparent decline over the data set (WDFW unpublished data). In contrast, survival in freshwater, as measured by smolts per spawner rates, declined over this same period.

During the freshwater phase, the majority of sockeye production involves two freshwater habitats: the stream, where spawning, egg incubation, fry emergence, and migration to the lake occurs; and the lake, where virtually all of the juveniles rear for one year before emigrating to the ocean as smolts. Measuring survival rates in both of these habitats will help explain causes for population variation. In 1992, trapping gear and methodology were developed to estimate naturally produced (wild) and hatchery sockeye fry production from the Cedar River and monitoring began. To assess sockeye fry production on a basin scale, monitoring sockeye fry production in the Sammamish Slough began in 1997 and since 1999 has continued in Bear Creek.

The National Marine Fisheries Service listed the Puget Sound Chinook ESU under the Endangered Species Act as a threatened species in March 1999. In the Lake Washington watershed, it was evident that recovery-planning efforts would be more effective if more were known about the habitat requirements, early life history, freshwater productivity, and survival of chinook salmon. Baseline information was available on the number of spawners, but adult counts provide little insight into survival during specific life stages. Estimating the number of juvenile migrants facilitates separating survival into two components: egg-to-migrant (freshwater) and migrant-to-returning adult. In the lake Washington system, this later stage includes passage through the lake, Ship Canal, Locks, and the marine environment. This provides a more direct accounting of the role that stream habitats play in regulating salmon production (Seiler *et al.* 1981, Cramer *et al.* 1999).

The downstream migrant evaluations conducted in the Cedar River and Bear Creek in 1999 were the first in the Lake Washington Basin directed at estimating the production of wild juvenile chinook (Seiler *et al.* 2003). Since the chinook migration includes newly emerged fry and later, larger smolts, two different gear types were employed. The fry trap gently captures fry but larger migrants can avoid it. For the later-timed smolt migration a rotary screw trap was installed.

## **Cedar River**

Since 1992, we have operated a floating inclined plane (fry) trap in the lower Cedar River to evaluate the production of wild and hatchery sockeye fry. Production of sockeye fry at the Landsburg Hatchery on the Cedar River began with the 1991 brood. Released in 1992, this brood and all

subsequent sockeye incubated at this hatchery, have been identified with thermally-induced otolith-marks (Volk *et al.* 1990). In 1995, we evaluated the effect of flow on survival by releasing ten hatchery groups over a range of flows. Results demonstrated that in-river fry survival is largely a function of flow (Seiler and Kishimoto 1996).

We have also determined that over the twelve broods measured, survival from egg deposition to fry emigration is largely a function of the severity of peak flows in the Cedar River during the egg incubation period. Therefore, over the range of spawning population levels that have been evaluated thus far, the numbers of naturally produced sockeye fry entering Lake Washington are the product of the number of eggs deposited and the flow-affected survival rates during incubation and migration.

In the summer of 1998, the lower Cedar River was dredged to reduce the flooding potential (USACE 1997). This project lowered the streambed and created a wider and deeper channel, which reduced the velocity to near zero where the fry trap was located (R.M. 0.25). This dramatic change in the channel required moving the trap location upstream in 1999 and 2000. In addition, the trapping program was extended in 1999 to also evaluate the production of juvenile chinook (Seiler *et al.* 2003). To effectively capture larger chinook, in addition to the fry trap, a different gear type (a screw trap) was operated in faster water. Concurrent operation of the fry and screw traps assessed the capture and size biases of each trap.

### ***Big Bear Creek***

In 1997 and 1998, a downstream migrant trap was operated in the Sammamish Slough at Bothell to estimate the contribution of sockeye fry to Lake Washington from the Sammamish portion of the watershed. While this operation successfully estimated sockeye fry production, velocities in the Sammamish were too low to capture migrants larger than sockeye fry. Therefore, assessing the production of chinook and other migrants required selecting a trapping location with sufficient velocity.

With sockeye escapements in excess of 50,000 adults in some years, Big Bear Creek, also referred to as Bear Creek, is the most heavily spawned tributary in the Sammamish watershed. Therefore, in 1999, the migrant trapping operation was moved downstream to the lower end of this stream where velocities were high enough to capture larger migrants. In addition to estimating chinook and sockeye production, higher velocities also enabled estimating the production of coho, steelhead and cutthroat smolts.

# Goals and Objectives

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The overall goal of this project is to quantify the downstream migrant populations of sockeye, chinook and coho salmon and steelhead and cutthroat trout from the Cedar River and Bear Creek. In addition to estimating the daily migration for each species, describing their size at time and collecting additional biological data will enable accomplishing the following objectives.

## Chinook

1. **Estimate in-river survival.** Relating total migrant production to the estimated egg deposition estimates in-river (egg-to-migrant) survival. Over time, we will correlate this rate among broods with such factors as spawner abundance, flows, and habitat condition.
2. **Estimate fry and smolt productions.** Relating the proportions of fry and smolts to brood specific factors will identify production determinants.
3. **Estimate lake/marine survival of natural production.** Relating subsequent adult returns to a brood's juvenile production will estimate survival through the lake, the Ballard Locks, and the marine environment.
4. **Tag wild chinook.** Tagging wild chinook emigrating from the Cedar River and Bear Creek with PIT tags will assess survival through the lake system.

## Sockeye

1. **Estimate survival of natural production.** Relating the estimate of wild fry produced to the estimated egg deposition measures the overall success of natural spawning. Significant variation in this rate among broods, as a function of spawner abundance, predator populations, and flows will be evaluated to assess stream carrying capacity and the relative importance of production determinants.
2. **Estimate the season total of fry entering the lake.** Relating the combined estimate of wild and hatchery fry to the smolt production the following spring will measure rearing survival within the lake. Over time this information will help assess predation rates and the lake's carrying capacity. Relating brood year adult returns to the total fry production measures overall survival through the lake and marine environments.
3. **Estimate incidence of hatchery fry in the population at lake entry (Cedar River).** Comparing this rate with the incidence of hatchery fish in the population at later life stages (smolts and adults) will assess relative hatchery and wild survival rates.
4. **Develop migration timing of wild and hatchery fry.** Comparing the difference between wild timing and hatchery fry releases with subsequent survival to return rates will contribute to the adaptive management process guiding Cedar River Hatchery sockeye fry production.

## Coho, Steelhead<sup>2</sup>, and Cutthroat

Quantifying the annual production of these smolt populations will help measure the ecosystem health of the Cedar River and Bear Creek. Population levels and ratios

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<sup>2</sup> We are uncertain if the downstream migrant rainbow trout referred to as steelhead follow an anadromous (saltwater rearing) or ad-fluvial (lake rearing) life history strategy. They are referred to as steelhead in this report since they appear identical to smolted juvenile steelhead from other rivers in western Washington.

between these species are indicative of habitat condition and performance of fisheries management.



# Methods

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## *Trapping Gear and Operation*

### **Cedar River**

In each year since 1999, two traps were operated in the lower Cedar River during the spring out-migration period. A small floating inclined plane (fry) trap was operated in late winter through spring to capture a proportion of the migrating sockeye and chinook fry emigrating during this period. The size and placement of this trap was chosen to avoid capturing yearling migrants and to avoid predation in the trap. A floating rotary screw trap was operated during the early spring to summer months to assess the migration of chinook, coho, steelhead, and cutthroat. Because this trap was employed to capture larger migrants that would prey on sockeye fry, the live box was designed so as not to retain sockeye fry. Together, these traps enabled estimating the production of each species while minimizing mortality.

### ***Fry Trap***

The fry trap consists of a low-angle inclined-plane screen trap (3 ft wide by 2 ft deep by 9 ft long) suspended from a 40x13 ft steel pontoon barge. Fish are separated from the water via a perforated aluminum plate (33 - 1/8 in. holes per in.<sup>2</sup>). The structure resembles the larger traps we use to capture smolts in larger river systems throughout the state (Seiler *et al.* 1981). Lowered to a depth of 16 inches, the fry trap screens a cross-sectional area of 4 ft<sup>2</sup>. The trap was positioned at RM 0.7, just downstream of the South Boeing Bridge in the thalweg, approximately 25 ft off the west bank.

This trap operated 60 nights from mid-January to mid-May. During each night of operation, trapping began before dusk and continued past dawn. Although most of the downstream migration occurs at night, trapping was conducted during several daylight intervals to assess daytime movement. The number of nights trapped in 2005 is substantially reduced from the 101 nights trapped in 2002 (the highest number of nights trapped over all years). This reduction was due to reduced funding for the project and the lack of variability noted in the day to day catches. For example, projecting the 2005 trapping schedule onto the 2002 catch data and interpolating catch during unfished periods estimates a total catch of 1,881,324 wild sockeye over the January 21 to May 15 period compared to the actual estimate of 1,874,392; a difference of 6,932 sockeye, or only 0.4%.

Captured fish were removed from the trap, identified by species, and counted each hour. Large sockeye fry catches were counted using an electronic counter. The electronic count was divided by an adjustment factor (95.7%) to estimate the actual catch. As in previous years, this adjustment factor was found through calibration testing. The most recent calibration tests occurred in 2003.

Over the season, 15,255,000 hatchery-produced sockeye fry were released into the Cedar River (Table 1). Seventy-six percent of this production (11,618,000) was released below the trap at the Cedar River Trail Park, and 24% (3,637,000) was released directly from the hatchery at Landsburg. Releases at Landsburg occurred on seven nights, from January 24 to February 22. Releases below the trap occurred on 24 nights, between February 3 and April 4. The group sizes released from Landsburg ranged from 90,000 to 1,331,000 fry.

## Screw Trap

The screw trap consisted of a 5 ft diameter screw trap supported by a 12 ft wide by 30 ft long steel pontoon barge (Seiler *et al.* 2003). As in previous seasons, the trap was positioned at RM 1.1, just upstream of the Logan Street Bridge near the right bank. This location is the lowest site with sufficient velocity to effectively operate the trap. The screw trap was operated continuously from mid-April through mid-May. The catches were enumerated at dusk and in the early morning in order to discern diel movements. From late May through July, when trapping ceased, the trap was lifted during the daylight hours to avoid any potential hazard to recreational floaters using the river. All chinook, coho, steelhead, and cutthroat smolts were enumerated by species and randomly sampled for size (fork length).

**Table 1.** Hatchery-produced sockeye fry released into the Cedar River in 2005.

Release Date	Number Released by Site		Total Released
	Park (RM 0.1)	Landsburg (RM 22)	
01/24/05		90,000	90,000
01/25/05		256,000	256,000
01/28/05		371,000	371,000
02/01/05		574,000	574,000
02/03/05	409,000	464,000	873,000
02/07/05	374,000		374,000
02/10/05	593,000		593,000
02/11/05	584,000		584,000
02/14/05	630,000		630,000
02/15/05	624,000		624,000
02/16/05	272,000		272,000
02/17/05	575,000		575,000
02/18/05		551,000	551,000
02/22/05	266,000	1,331,000	1,597,000
02/23/05	640,000		640,000
02/24/05	645,000		645,000
02/25/05	587,000		587,000
02/28/05	586,000		586,000
03/01/05	243,000		243,000
03/03/05	596,000		596,000
03/04/05	584,000		584,000
03/07/05	596,000		596,000
03/08/05	430,000		430,000
03/11/05	646,000		646,000
03/16/05	527,000		527,000
03/21/05	646,000		646,000
03/23/05	269,000		269,000
03/28/05	205,000		205,000
04/04/05	91,000		91,000
Total	11,618,000	3,637,000	15,255,000

## Bear Creek

As with the Cedar River, out-migrating salmonids were captured using two traps in lower Bear Creek. A fry trap was used to capture sockeye and chinook fry early in the trapping season. This trap was replaced with a screw trap in early April to capture chinook, coho, steelhead, and cutthroat.

### ***Fry Trap***

The fry trap used in Bear Creek was identical to that employed in the Cedar River. This gear was suspended from a 30x12 ft steel pontoon barge positioned approximately 100 yards downstream of Redmond Way, below the railroad trestle in the middle of the channel. Trapping began in early February and ended in early April. On nearly every date the trap was operated, trapping began before dusk and continued past dawn. Captured fish were removed from the trap and counted at various intervals, from hourly to several hours depending on migration rates.

### ***Screw Trap***

In early April the fry trap was replaced with a 5 ft diameter screw trap. Screw trap operation began on April 8, and continued through the morning of July 29. Catches were usually enumerated at dusk and in the early morning. All chinook, coho, steelhead, and cutthroat smolts were enumerated by species and randomly sampled for size (fork length).

## ***Trap Efficiency***

### **Cedar River**

#### ***Fry Trap***

The capture rate for sockeye fry in the Cedar River fry trap was estimated by marking, releasing, and recovering marked fry. Groups of approximately 2,000 marked sockeye fry were released at the Logan Street Bridge (R.M. 1.1) over 45 nights throughout the season. Fry captured the previous night or in the early hours of the night were marked in a solution of Bismarck brown dye (14 ppm for 1.5 hours). Marked fry were distributed across the middle of the channel from the bridge. Recovery rates were correlated with hourly discharge to assess the effect of flow on capture rate.

#### ***Screw Trap***

Capture efficiency of the screw trap was estimated for chinook and coho smolts. Groups of 30 or more smolts of each species were anesthetized in a solution of MS-222 and marked with alternating partial upper and lower caudal fin clips. Marked smolts were allowed to recover from the anesthetic during the day in perforated buckets suspended in calm river water. In the evening, the groups were released from the Bronson Way Bridge located one-half mile upstream. As the season dwindled fewer fish were available for marking and efficiency tests. Mark groups were often developed from two night's catches. During trap checks, catches were examined for marks. Recapture rates were correlated with daily discharge to assess the effect of flow on capture rate.

### **Bear Creek**

#### ***Fry Trap***

In Bear Creek, the fry trap capture rate for sockeye was estimated by releasing groups of marked sockeye fry from the Redmond Way Bridge on seven nights over the season. As in the Cedar River, fry captured the previous night or in the early hours of the night were marked in a solution of Bismarck brown dye (14 ppm for 1.5 hours). Recapture rates were correlated with mean daily discharge to assess the effect of flow on capture rate.

#### ***Screw Trap***

Capture efficiency for the screw trap was estimated for chinook, coho, and cutthroat smolts using the same approach described for the Cedar River screw trap. Mark groups were released from the

Redmond Way Bridge. Recapture rates were correlated with mean daily discharge to assess the effect of flow on capture rate.

## ***Production Estimate***

### **Cedar River**

#### ***Fry Trap***

Estimation of total sockeye and chinook fry migrations occur in several steps. The data collected for each species every night,  $i$ , consisted of:

- count of total fry captured during a nighttime trapping interval -  $C_i$ , and
- flow -  $f_i$ .

Data taken less frequently included:

- count of total fry captured during a daytime trapping interval -  $C_d$ , and
- trap efficiency: proportion of marked fry released above the trap and subsequently retaken -  $e_i$ .

#### **Sockeye**

Sockeye fry catch was estimated for nighttime periods when trapping did not occur. Straight-line interpolation based on the catch from adjacent nights was used to estimate catch when one or more entire nights were not fished. Where the estimate was made for only a single night, the variance was estimated by the variance of the mean (i.e., the interpolated catch) (Equation 1). However if one or both nightly catches,  $C_i$ , used to interpolate the catch during the unfished period also were estimated then Equation 2 was used.

$$Var(\bar{C}_i) = \frac{\sum (\hat{C}_i - \bar{C}_i)^2}{n(n-1)} \quad \text{Equation 1}$$

$$Var(\bar{C}_i) = \frac{\sum \hat{C}_i - \bar{C}_i)^2}{n(n-1)} + \frac{\sum Var(\hat{C}_i)}{n} \quad \text{Equation 2}$$

where:

$n$  = Number of sample nights used in the interpolation,

$C_i$  = Nightly catches used to estimate the un-fished interval,

$\bar{C}_i$  = Interpolated nightly catch estimate, and

$\hat{C}_i$  = Estimated nightly catch used to estimate the un-fished interval.

Where the nightly catch estimate was interpolated for two or more consecutive nights, the variance for each interpolated catch estimate was approximated by scaling the coefficient of variation (CV) of the mean catch from the adjacent night fishing periods by the interpolated catch estimates using;

$$\text{Var}(\hat{C}_i) = \left[ \hat{C}_i \left( \frac{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\bar{C}_i)}}{\bar{C}_i} \right) \right]^2 \quad \text{Equation 3}$$

Sockeye catch was also estimated when the trap was not operated continuously through the entire nighttime period. Where the trap was operated intermittently through the night, catch during the un-fished interval(s) ( $\hat{C}_u$ ) was (were) estimated by;

$$\hat{C}_u = T_u \bar{R} \quad \text{Equation 4}$$

where;

$T_u$  = Hours during non-fishing period  $u$ , and  
 $R$  = Mean catch rate (fish/hour) from adjacent fished periods.

The variance was estimated by;

$$\text{Var}(\hat{C}_u) = T_u^2 \text{Var}(\bar{R}) \quad \text{Equation 5}$$

The total catch on night  $i$  was estimated by the sum of the catches from the fished periods,  $f$ , and un-fished periods,  $u$ . The variance of the nightly catch was estimated by the sum of the variances for the un-fished periods,  $u$ , and during night  $i$ .

Trapping did not occur on nights of and following hatchery releases, and, therefore, hatchery migrations were not estimated.

Daytime sockeye catches were estimated by multiplying the nighttime catch by the proportion of the 24-hour catch estimated to have been caught during the day. This proportion, ( $F_d$ ), was found by;

$$F_d = \frac{T_d}{\frac{1}{\bar{Q}} T_n + T_d} \quad \text{Equation 6}$$

and its variance by;

$$\text{Var}(F_d) = \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{Q}) T_n^2 T_d^2}{\bar{Q}^4 \left( \frac{1}{\bar{Q}} T_n + T_d \right)^4} \quad \text{Equation 7}$$

where;

$T_n$  = Hours of night during 24 hour period  
 $T_d$  = Hours of day during 24 hour period, and  
 $\bar{Q}_d$  = Average day/night catch ratio.

The variance for each daytime catch was estimated using the delta method (Goodman 1960);

$$Var(\hat{C}_d) = \hat{C}_i^2 Var(F_d) + Var(\hat{C}_i) F_d^2 - Var(\hat{C}_i) Var(F_d) \quad \text{Equation 8}$$

Trap efficiency tests were correlated with environmental factors to evaluate for stratification. Depending on the outcomes, trap efficiency was estimated by the mean of all tests or by stratified means derived from subsets of tests;

The variances of the individual trap efficiency estimates and the mean trap efficiency estimate were found using;

$$Var(\bar{e}_i) = \frac{e_i(1-e_i)}{n} \quad \text{Equation 9}$$

$$Var(\bar{e}) = \frac{\sum (e_i - \bar{e}_i)^2}{n(n-1)} \quad \text{Equation 10}$$

Daily sockeye fry migrations were estimated by;

$$\hat{N} = \frac{(\hat{C}_i + \hat{C}_d)}{\bar{e}} \quad \text{Equation 11}$$

The variance of each daily migration was estimated using the delta method (Goodman 1960);

$$Var(\hat{N}) = \hat{N}^2 \left( \frac{Var(\bar{e})}{\bar{e}^2} + \frac{\sum (Var(\hat{C}_i) + Var(\hat{C}_d))}{(\sum (\hat{C}_i + \hat{C}_d))^2} \right) \quad \text{Equation 12}$$

Where trap efficiency was calculated using a simple mean of all efficiency tests over the season, the total migration was the sum of the daily migrations and its variance was calculated using Equation 12, substituting the season total catch for the daily catches. When efficiency strata were used during the season, the variance for each stratum was calculated using Equation 12. The total season variance was the sum of the stratum variances.

Survival of Cedar River naturally produced sockeye fry to lake entry is the ratio of the wild fry migration estimate to an estimate of potential egg deposition (PED).

### **Chinook**

Procedures used to estimate the juvenile chinook migration during fry trap operation were identical to those described for sockeye fry. Trap efficiencies for chinook were calculated using the sockeye fry efficiency data.

## Screw Trap

### Chinook

For nighttime intervals not fished and during nights when heavy debris decreased the fishing ability of the trap, catch was estimated for the hours missed. Where chinook nightly catch was estimated, the interpolated value was the mean of the preceding and following night's catch rates ( $R_i$ ) expanded by the hours of the night not fished ( $T_u$ ). Variances for these estimates were calculated by,

$$Var(\hat{C}_i) = T_u^2 \frac{\sum (\hat{R}_i - \bar{R}_i)^2}{n(n-1)} \quad \text{Equation 13}$$

Wild chinook catch during daytime intervals not fished were estimated in order to estimate total daily (24-hour) migrations. The estimates were made by using the average day catch rate to night catch rate ratio from trapping conducted in 2005. The catch during daytime,  $d$ , was estimated by;

$$\hat{C}_d = \bar{Q}\bar{R}_i T_d \quad \text{Equation 14}$$

and its variance was estimated using the delta method (Goodman 1960) by;

$$Var(\hat{C}_d) = T_d^2 \left( Var(\bar{R}_i)\bar{Q}^2 + Var(\bar{Q})\bar{R}_i^2 \right) \quad \text{Equation 15}$$

where,

$\bar{Q}$  = Average chinook day/night catch ratio measured for scoop trap,  
 $\bar{R}_i$  = Average night catch rate preceding and following daytime interval  $d$ , and  
 $T_d$  = Hours of estimated daytime interval  $d$ .

Where trap efficiency did not appear to correlate with environmental factors, mark-recapture tests were stratified by statistical week and applied to corresponding week's catch to estimate production using Chapman's modified version of the Peterson estimate (Chapman 1951).

$$\hat{N}_i = \left[ \frac{(M_i + 1)(C_i + 1)}{(R_i + 1)} \right] - 1 \quad \text{Equation 16}$$

where

$M_i$  = Number of fish marked and released in discreet period  $i$ ,  
 $C_i$  = Number of unmarked fish captured during discreet period  $i$ , and  
 $R_i$  = Number of marked fish recaptured during discreet period  $i$ .

and its variance calculated using;

$$V(\hat{N}_i) = \hat{N}_i^2 \frac{(C_i - R_i)}{[C_i + 1)(R_i + 2)]} \quad \text{Equation 17}$$

### **Other Species**

Catches of steelhead and cutthroat trout were insufficient for directly assessing capture rate via mark and recapture. Therefore, capture rates were estimated from previous studies relating steelhead capture rates to rates measured with coho smolts.

### **Bear Creek**

Procedures used to estimate downstream migrant production for the fry trap and screw trap were nearly identical to those used on the Cedar River. Differences applied only to estimating the daytime catch. Whereas day catches in the Cedar River were estimated using day/night catch rate ratios ( $\bar{Q}$ ), day catches in the Bear Creek fry trap were minimal and not estimated. Day catches in the screw trap during periods not fished were estimated by interpolation. The variances of interpolated catches were estimated using Equation 1 or 2.

## ***DNA and Scale Analysis***

DNA and scale samples, from both the Cedar River and Bear Creek, were collected from what visually appeared to be cutthroat trout that were captured in the fry and screw traps. These samples were taken to assess the age structure of the captured trout, expand the genetic baseline, and to assess the accuracy of trout identification by our technicians operating the traps. These samples were processed and analyzed at the WDFW genetics and scale labs in Olympia, Washington.



# Cedar River Results

## Sockeye

### Trap Operation

Fry trap operation began on January 21, and occurred on 60 nights through the season until the last night of trapping on May 15. Trapping did not occur during the nights of and following hatchery releases from Landsburg. Three daytime trapping intervals were fished on February 8, February 16, and March 4.

On 14 of the scheduled trapping nights, the trap did not operate continuously through the night due to excessive debris, stream flow, or catch. During those nights, the trap was operated at 5, 15, or 30-minute intervals each hour. Heavy debris and high stream flow caused this reduction on two nights. The hourly trapping intervals were reduced on the other 12 nights, between February 27 and March 21, as a result of very high catch rates.

### Catch

During the first night of trapping (January 21), 3,359 sockeye fry were caught during the five hours trapped. Nightly catches increased and peaked at 114,622 fry on March 1, which represents only 30% of the 383,000 fry we estimated would have been caught had we fished continuously that night (Appendix A). Catches decreased thereafter and on the last day of trapping, May 15, 455 fry were caught. The combined nightly catches of wild fry for the season totaled 1,803,082, and day catches totaled 1,437 fry (Appendix A). On the 14 nights that we did not fish continuously, catches were expanded to project entire nights' catch.

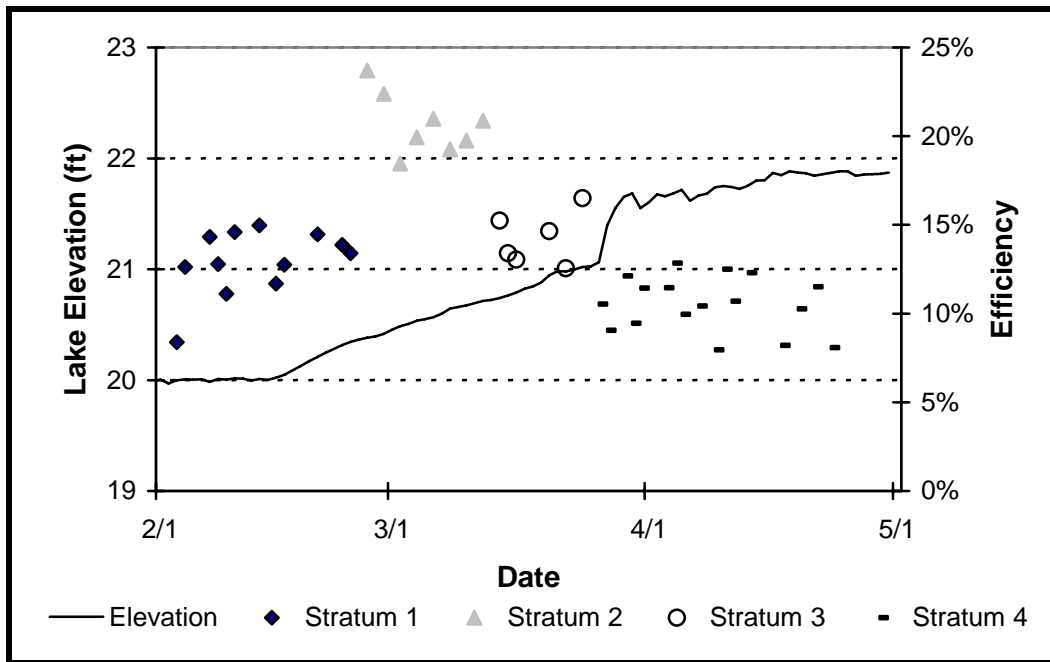
### Trap Efficiency

Tests to determine the capture efficiency of the trap were conducted on 45 nights from January 26 to April 24. Efficiencies among the 45 groups ranged from 7.7% to 23.7%. This variability was attributed to changes in velocity at the mouth of the trap and in the wetted channel cross section in response to the combination of changing stream flows and lake elevation. Four efficiency strata were developed from this data (Table 2, Figure 2). The four mean stratified trap efficiencies were found to be significantly different ( $\alpha=0.05$ ) using analysis of variance.

**Table 2.** Summary of trap efficiency tests using sockeye fry separated into strata based on flows and Lake Washington elevation data, Cedar River fry trap 2005.

Stratum	Dates		Lk. Elevation	Flow (cfs) <sup>1</sup>		Number		Efficiency			Var(e)	
	Start	End		Min.	Max.	Released	Recaptured	n	Min.	Max.		Avg.
1	Jan 1	Feb 25	< 20.5 ft	450	1,100	30,950	3,829	14	7.7%	15.0%	12.4%	3.6E-05
2	Feb 26	Mar 14	<20.5 ft	335	352	12,284	2,564	8	18.4%	23.7%	20.7%	3.7E-05
3	Mar 15	Mar 24	20.5 - 21 ft	323	364	9,287	1,334	6	12.5%	15.2%	14.2%	3.8E-05
4	Mar 25	May 15	>21 ft	369	533	27,851	3,011	17	8.0%	12.9%	10.5%	1.4E-05

<sup>1</sup> Measured at hour of release.



**Figure 2.** Stratified sockeye efficiency test groups related to provisional United States Army Corps of Engineers Lake Washington elevation data, 2005.

### Diel Migration

While the vast majority of sockeye fry migrate at night, daytime trapping indicated small numbers of fry migrating during daylight. Over the three dates that daylight intervals were trapped, the day to night catch rate ratios ranged from 0.38% to 1.04% (Table 3). The average day catch rate to night catch rate ratio (0.66%) was used to estimate daytime migrations.

**Table 3.** Day-to-night catch rate ratios of sockeye fry estimated using the night before and the night after the daytime interval, Cedar River fry trap, 2005.

NIGHTTIME					DAYTIME					DAY:NIGHT	
Date	Time Down	Hours Fished	Catch	Catch/ Hour	Date	Time Down	Hours Fished	Catch	Catch/ Hour	Ratio (D/N)	Flow (cfs)
02/07	17:00	14.00	38,174	2,726.7	02/08	7:00	10.00	246	24.60	1.04%	457
02/08	17:00	14.00	28,057	2,004.1							
	Sum	28.00	66,231	2,365.4							
02/15	17:00	13.00	43,852	3,373.2	02/16	7:00	11.00	133	12.09	0.38%	465
02/16	17:00	13.00	38,814	2,985.7							
		26.00	82,666	3,179.5							
03/03	18:00	13.00	275,590	21,199.2	03/04	7:00	11.00	1058	96.18	0.56%	341
03/05	18:00	13.00	174,314	13,408.8							
		26.00	449,904	17,304.0							
Average										0.66%	
Variance										3.9E-06	

### Production Estimate

An estimated 50.7 million sockeye fry entered Lake Washington from the Cedar River in 2005, (Table 4, Figure 3). The total included 37 million wild fry and 13.6 million hatchery-produced fry (Appendix A). Logarithmic extrapolation was used to estimate fry migration before trapping started, January 1 to January 20, which resulted in an additional 412,403 wild sockeye fry. Addition of this

estimate accounts for approximately 1.1% of the total wild estimate. Our estimated coefficient of variation (CV) for the wild migration of 3.3% was the third lowest measured since 1998. Therefore, while the reduced fishing schedule in 2005 affected the precision of the sockeye estimate, this effect was small. The low CV measured in 2005 was due to the lack of variability between nightly catches and within-stratum trap efficiency estimates.

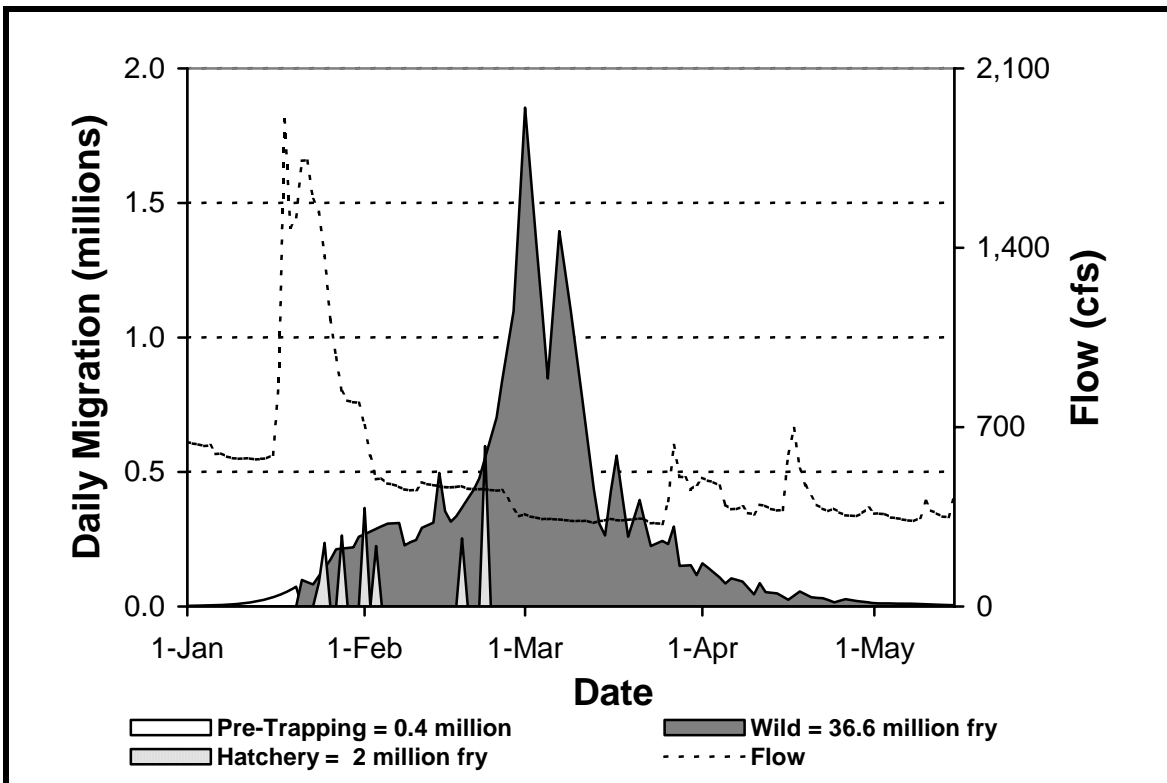
**Table 4.** Estimated 2005 Cedar River wild and hatchery sockeye fry migrations entering Lake Washington with 95% confidence intervals.

Component	Period (Release Location)	Dates	Estimated Migration	95% CI		CV	Prop. of Total
				Low	High		
Wild	Before Trapping	January 1 - 20	412,403	324,141	500,665	10.9%	0.8%
	During Trapping	January 21 - May 15	36,615,558	34,967,953	38,922,205	3.3%	72.3%
		Subtotal	37,027,961	34,657,170	39,398,752	3.3%	73.1%
Hatchery	Landsburg	January 24 - February 22	2,029,787			n/a	4.0%
	Below Trap	February 3 - April 4	11,618,000			n/a	22.9%
		Subtotal	13,647,787				26.9%
		Total	50,675,748				100.0%

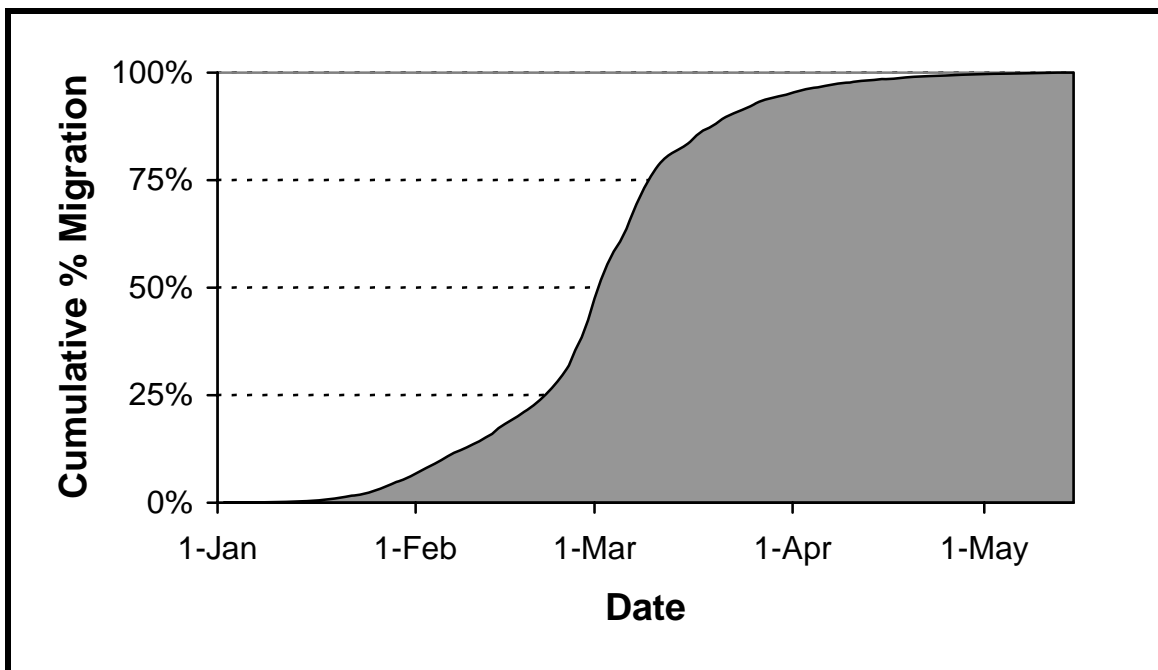
## Wild and Hatchery Timing

Releases of hatchery-produced fry began on January 24 and continued through April 4 (Table 1). The median migration date for hatchery fry was February 1. The wild fry migration was under way when trapping began on January 21, peaked during early March, and declined through April to low levels in May when trapping stopped (Figure 3, Figure 4). Median migration dates for wild fry occurred on March 2, which is the earliest timing observed since monitoring began in 1992 (Table 5).

Stream temperatures influence the length of the incubation period. After evaluating temperature data throughout the period of fry incubation and migration, it appears February stream temperatures best explain observed variation in migration timing ( $r^2 = 0.59$ ) (Figure 5). February stream temperatures averaged 6.9° C in 2005, higher than the past 12-year average (6.1° C). In addition, Cedar River water temperatures measured at Renton during the first two weeks of March peaked at 12.2° C. The 2001 fry migration was treated as an outlier due to extreme low flows that facilitated predation and an earthquake, which triggered a landslide that temporarily blocked flow and may have caused a significant mortality in the later-timed portion of the fry production.



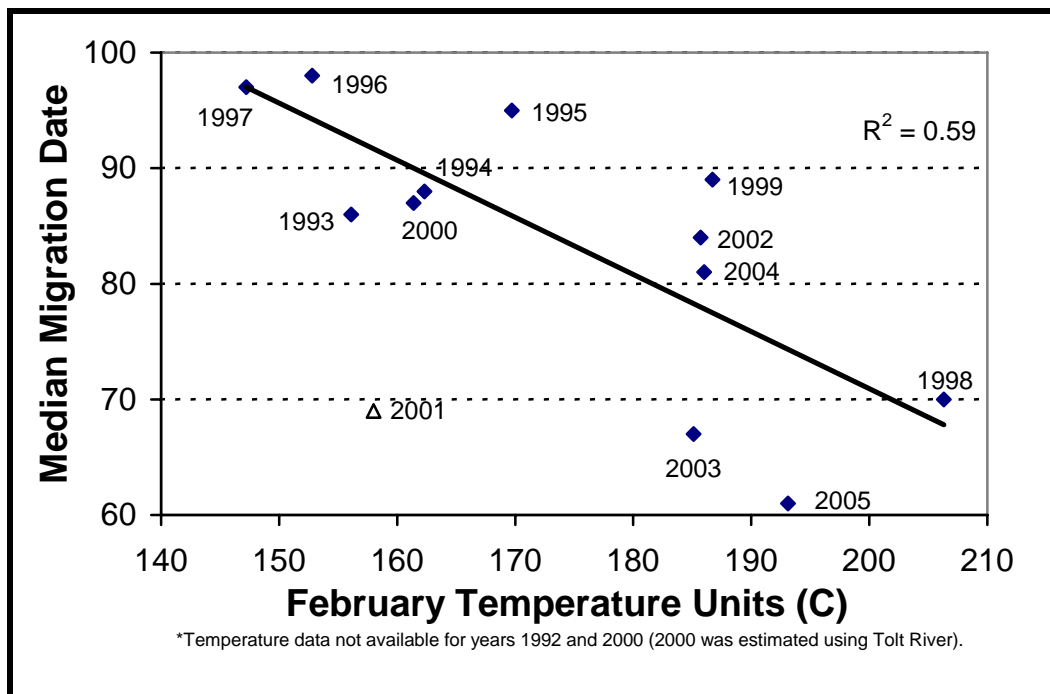
**Figure 3.** Estimated daily migration of wild and hatchery Cedar River sockeye fry into Lake Washington and daily average flow, 2005.



**Figure 4.** Cumulative wild sockeye fry migration timing, Cedar River 2005.

**Table 5.** Median migration dates of wild, hatchery, and total (combined) sockeye fry populations, Cedar River.

Brood Year i	Trap Year i+1	Median Migration Date			Difference (days) W-H
		Wild	Hatchery	Combined	
1991	1992	03/18	02/28	03/12	19
1992	1993	03/27	03/07	03/25	20
1993	1994	03/29	03/21	03/26	8
1994	1995	04/05	03/17	03/29	19
1995	1996	04/07	02/26	02/28	41
1996	1997	04/07	02/20	03/16	46
1997	1998	03/11	02/23	03/06	16
1998	1999	03/30	03/03	03/15	27
1999	2000	03/27	02/23	03/20	32
2000	2001	03/10	02/23	03/08	15
2001	2002	03/25	03/04	03/19	21
2002	2003	03/08	02/24	03/03	12
2003	2004	03/21	02/23	03/15	26
2004	2005	03/02	02/01	02/28	29
Average		03/22	02/27	03/13	23



**Figure 5.** Linear regression of median migration Julian Calendar date for wild Cedar River sockeye fry as a function of the sum of daily average temperatures from February 1-28 (USGS Renton Gaging Station #12119000) for migration years 1993-2005, with 2001 as an outlier.

### Survival of Hatchery Release Groups

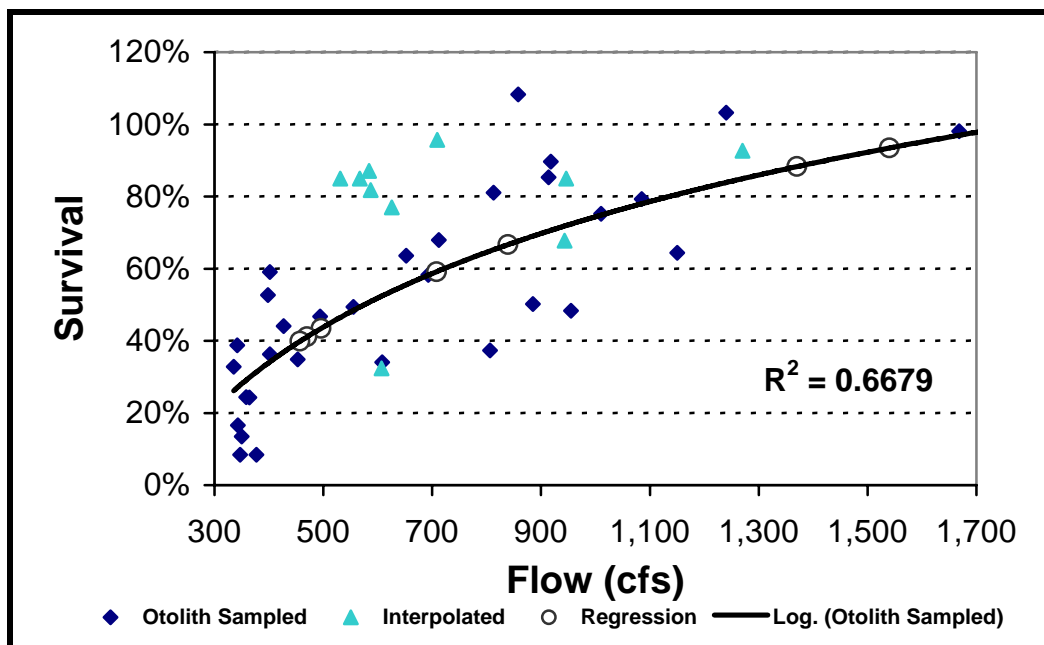
Survival rates estimated for the groups of fry released at Landsburg Hatchery ranged from 45% to 98%. Over these release groups, we estimated 66.3% of hatchery fry survived to pass the trap (Table 6). As in 2004, no otolith samples were collected at the trap and used to estimate the survival of hatchery release groups. Instead, survival of Landsburg releases were estimated using a regression-based model that correlated survival with stream discharge at release. The model used otolith estimated survival rates and flow data from 1995 and 2001 through 2003 trapping years. All but

three releases, those who's estimates were over 120%, were combined to predict survival based on daily average flow (Figure 6). Survival of hatchery releases below the trap were assumed to be 100%.

Confidence intervals and percent standard errors of these survival estimates were not estimated.

**Table 6.** In-river survival estimates of hatchery sockeye fry released from Landsburg Hatchery, Cedar River 2005.

Release Date	Sockeye Released	Daily Avg. Flow	Estimated Daily Migration	Survival
01/24	90,000	1,540	87,801	97.56%
01/25	256,000	1,370	236,746	92.48%
01/28	371,000	839	264,130	71.19%
02/01	574,000	708	366,356	63.83%
02/03	464,000	496	224,473	48.38%
02/18	551,000	470	253,684	46.04%
02/22	1,331,000	457	596,597	44.82%
Sum	3,637,000		2,029,787	
Average				66.3%



**Figure 6.** Survival of hatchery fry released from Landsburg as a function of daily mean flow using data collected from the Cedar River in 1995, and 2001 - 2003. Also shown are survival rates estimated in 2004 (interpolated) and in 2005 (regression).

### Egg-to-Migrant Survival of Naturally Produced Fry

The veracity of egg-to-migrant survival rates depends on the estimates of parent spawners and fry production. For the 1991 through 1998 broods, fry production estimates were related to potential egg deposition based on estimates of spawners generated with area under the curve (AUC) methodology. While analyzing egg-to-migrant survival for the 1999 brood, it appeared that the AUC based escapement of 22,000 sockeye may have underestimated escapement. Consequently, beginning with the 1999 brood and including previous broods through 1991, we generated Cedar River sockeye

spawning estimates with the number of sockeye passing through the Ballard Locks. This procedure involved subtracting the following estimates:

1. sockeye harvested in recreational and tribal fisheries,
2. sockeye estimated spawning on beaches and in all other tributaries,
3. pre-spawning mortality rate of 5%, and
4. sockeye removed from the Cedar River for brood stock.

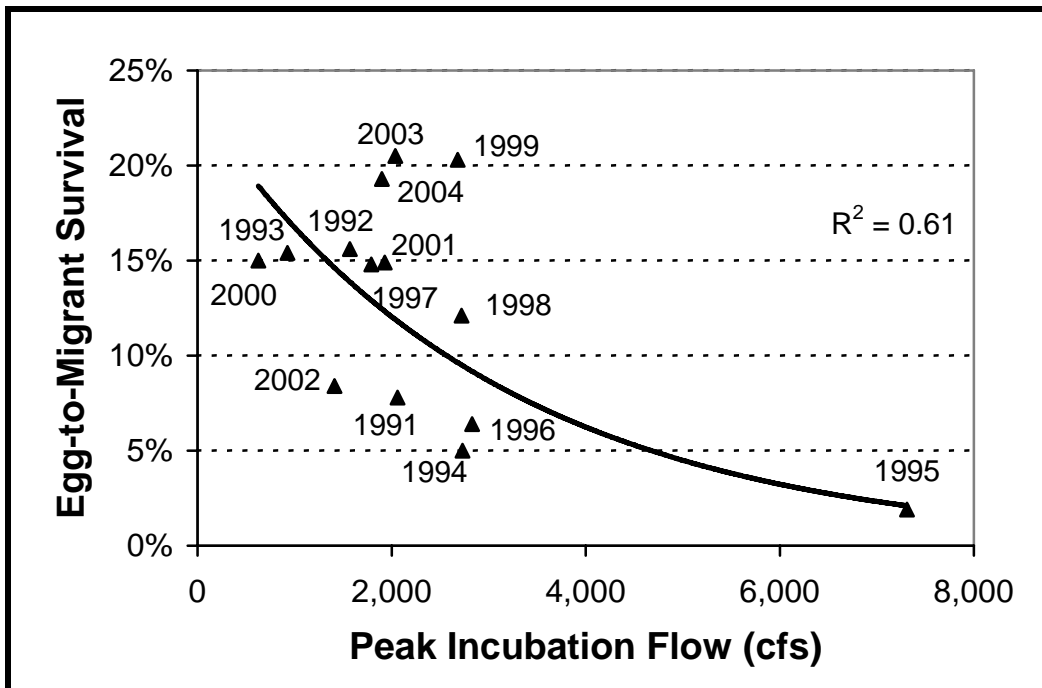
In most years, the Locks based estimates were somewhat larger than the AUC. In 2004, this discrepancy was approximately 200,000 sockeye, nearly two times the AUC based estimate. Therefore, we elected to revert back to utilizing the AUC based estimates until another methodology produces a more accurate estimate. This decision results in shifting egg-to-migrant survivals somewhat higher than were estimated previously.

Overall egg-to-migrant survival of the 2004 brood sockeye was estimated at 19.3 %. This rate is the ratio of 37 million wild fry to an estimated potential egg deposition (PED) of 192 million eggs. This PED is based on a spawning escapement estimate of 116,978, an assumed even sex ratio and an average fecundity of 3,276 (Table 7). Of these three values, the estimate of fecundity may be the most accurate since it is the average number of eggs per female estimated during broodstock collection (Antipa pers. comm.).

Regressing the survival estimates on peak brood year incubation flow resulted in a correlation coefficient of 61% (Figure 7). The best fit for this data series was derived from fitting the data to an exponential equation ( $y = ba^x$ ). This function generally describes an exponential decay in egg-to-migrant survival with increasing peak stream flow during the incubation period. As additional data are generated, we will continue to assess this model and others, to increase our understanding of the factors affecting natural sockeye fry production from the Cedar River.

**Table 7.** Estimated egg-to-migrant survival of naturally-produced sockeye fry (using the AUC method to estimate spawners) in the Cedar River relative to peak mean daily flows during the incubation period as measured at the USGS Renton gage, brood years 1991-2004.

Brood Year	Spawners	Females (@50%)	Fecundity	PED	Fry Production	Survival Rate	Peak Incubation Flow (cfs)	Peak Incubation Flow Date
1991	77,000	38,500	3,282	126,357,000	9,800,000	7.8%	2,060	01/28/1992
1992	100,000	50,000	3,470	173,500,000	27,100,000	15.6%	1,570	01/26/1993
1993	76,000	38,000	3,094	117,572,000	18,100,000	15.4%	927	01/14/1994
1994	109,000	54,500	3,176	173,092,000	8,700,000	5.0%	2,730	12/27/1994
1995	22,000	11,000	3,466	38,126,000	730,000	1.9%	7,310	11/30/1995
1996	230,000	115,000	3,298	379,270,000	24,390,000	6.4%	2,830	01/02/1997
1997	104,000	52,000	3,292	171,184,000	25,350,000	14.8%	1,790	01/23/1998
1998	49,588	24,794	3,176	78,745,744	9,500,000	12.1%	2,720	01/01/1999
1999	22,138	11,069	3,591	39,748,779	8,058,909	20.3%	2,680	12/18/1999
2000	148,225	74,113	3,451	255,762,238	38,447,878	15.0%	627	01/05/2001
2001	119,000	59,500	3,568	212,296,000	31,673,029	14.9%	1,930	11/23/2001
2002	194,640	97,320	3,395	330,401,400	27,859,466	8.4%	1,410	02/04/2003
2003	110,404	55,202	3,412	188,349,224	38,686,899	20.5%	2,039	01/30/2004
2004	116,978	58,489	3,276	191,609,964	37,027,961	19.3%	1,900	01/18/2005



**Figure 7.** Exponential regression of wild sockeye egg-to-migrant survival from brood years 1991 to 2004 as a function of peak flow during the winter egg incubation period, Cedar River.

## **Chinook**

### **Catch**

#### ***Fry Trap***

On the first night of fry trap operation (January 21), 51 chinook fry were caught. Nightly catches peaked at 662 fry on February 14. Through February, a total of 4,147 chinook fry were caught during the 22 nights fished, 90% of the season total catch. During the 38 nights fished, from March 1 through May 15, only 449 juvenile chinook were caught. Three daytime intervals were fished throughout the season. Day to night catch rate ratios ranged from 7% to 12% (Table 8). Over the season, a total of 4,640 chinook were captured in the fry trap.

#### ***Screw Trap***

Over the 109-day interval that the screw trap was operated (April 11 through July 28), 4,267 unmarked wild and 257 hatchery adipose-marked chinook were caught. From the first night of trapping to April 30, nightly catches ranged from zero to 180 chinook and comprised 14% of the total wild chinook catch. During May and June, 3,580 wild chinook smolts, 84% of the season total, were caught. Nightly catch peaked on May 9 with 223 chinook smolts caught.



**Table 8.** Day to night catch rate ratios of chinook fry estimated at the Cedar River fry trap, 2005.

Nighttime					Daytime					D:N Ratio	Flow (cfs)
Start Date	Start Time	Hours	Catch	Catch/Hr	Start Date	Start Time	Hours	Catch	Catch/Hr		
02/07	17:00	14.00	205	14.6	02/08	7:00	10.00	14	1.40	12.10%	457
02/08	17:00	14.00	119	8.5							
Sum		28.00	324	11.6							
02/15	17:00	13.00	571	43.9	02/16	7:00	11.00	25	2.27	6.85%	465
02/16	17:00	13.00	292	22.5							
		26.00	863	33.2							
03/03	18:00	13.00	84	6.5	03/04	7:00	11.00	5	0.45	12.44%	341
03/05	18:00	13.00	11	0.8							
		26.00	95	3.7							
Average										10.55%	
Variance										3.0E-04	

## Catch Expansion

### Fry Trap

An estimate was made for the number of chinook that may have been caught for the day and night periods not fished. Daytime migration was estimated by using the average (10.6%) ratio of day/night catch rates measured during operation of the fry trap. Due to high flows and large catches of sockeye fry, partial catches were expanded on 14 nights. Had the trap fished continuously (day and night) from January 21 through May 15, we estimate an additional 4,403 fry would have been caught. With the addition of these fish to the actual catches, season catch total is projected at 9,043 chinook in the fry trap (Appendix B).

### Screw Trap

Catch data was expanded to estimate the numbers of chinook smolts that would have been caught in the screw trap had it fished continuously from the evening of April 11 through the morning of July 29 (Appendix B). Expansion resulted in the addition of 156 chinook to the wild catch. This increase represented 3.5% of the total catch estimate. The catch expansion includes daytime and nighttime migration estimates when the trap did not fish, and five trapping intervals when the screw trap was stopped by debris. Daytime migrations during June and July were estimated using the average of day catch rate to night catch rate ratios measured during May (1.4%).

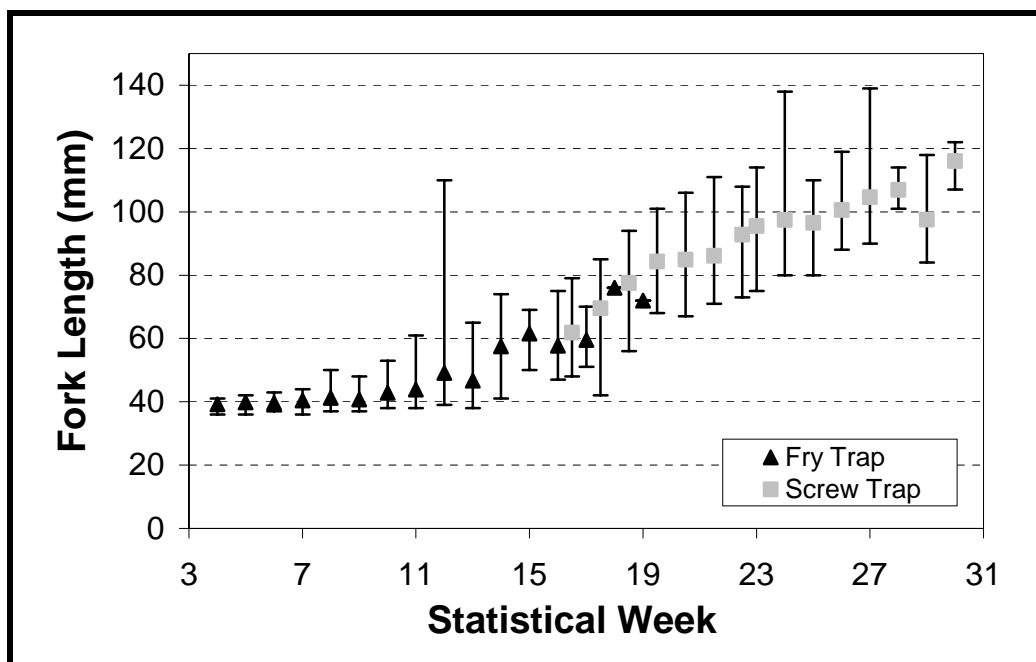
### Size

From January through March, the weekly mean fork lengths of chinook fry caught in the fry trap increased 7.5 mm from 39.2 mm to 46.7 mm, and averaged 42 mm (Table 9, Figure 8). The weekly average increased to over 60 mm by early April. The smallest chinook fry captured each week was consistently less than 40mm through March, but increased afterwards indicating the end of the incubation period.

Chinook caught in the screw trap increased in size from a weekly average fork length of 61.9 mm in mid-April to 116 mm near the end of trapping (Table 9, Figure 8). Over the season, sizes ranged from 42 mm to 138 mm and averaged 95.7 mm.

**Table 9.** Mean chinook fork length (mm), standard deviation, range, sample size, and catches in the Cedar River fry and screw traps, 2005.

Statistical Week			FRY TRAP						SCREW TRAP					
Begin	End	No.	Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch	Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch
					Min	Max					Min	Max		
01/17	01/23	4	39.2	1.47	36	41	28	95						
01/24	01/30	5	39.8	1.55	36	42	26	381						
01/31	02/06	6	39.6	1.46	37	43	57	226						
02/07	02/13	7	40.4	1.83	36	44	45	967						
02/14	02/20	8	41.3	2.82	37	50	47	2,051						
02/21	02/27	9	40.7	2.32	37	48	35	466						
02/28	03/06	10	42.9	4.03	38	53	20	47						
03/07	03/13	11	43.9	6.50	38	61	22	95						
03/14	03/20	12	49.1	15.32	39	110	24	49						
03/21	03/27	13	46.7	8.46	38	65	47	157						
03/28	04/03	14	57.5	10.38	41	74	17	23						
04/04	04/10	15	61.5	5.61	50	69	11	15						
04/11	04/17	16	57.7	5.70	47	75	27	51	61.9	8.10	48	79	72	333
04/18	04/24	17	59.5	6.70	51	70	8	8	69.5	8.94	42	85	46	65
04/25	05/01	18					0	2	77.6	9.24	56	94	58	271
05/02	05/08	19	76.0				1	1	84.3	6.60	68	101	325	692
05/09	05/15	20	72.0				1	6	84.9	5.90	67	106	503	717
05/16	05/22	21							86.1	7.30	71	111	186	481
05/23	05/29	22							92.8	6.90	73	108	328	400
05/30	06/05	23							95.5	6.20	75	114	320	491
06/06	06/12	24							97.4	7.30	80	138	235	483
06/13	06/19	25							96.5	6.30	80	110	48	281
06/20	06/26	26							100.6	6.20	88	119	88	176
06/27	07/03	27							104.6	8.40	90	138	33	72
07/04	07/10	28							106.9	4.20	101	114	10	38
07/11	07/17	29							97.5	14.50	84	118	4	19
07/18	07/24	30							116.0	6.40	107	122	4	5
Season Totals			44.7	9.00	36	110	416	4,640	95.7	10.80	42	138	2,260	4,524



**Figure 8.** Average and range of fork lengths of chinook sampled from the Cedar River, 2005.

## Trap Efficiency

### *Fry Trap*

Capture rates for chinook fry were assumed to be equivalent to that of marked sockeye fry released upstream of the trap. We believe that the combination of decreasing flows and rising lake elevation resulted in the lower capture rates. Therefore, we applied the same strata to chinook as was used with the sockeye fry trap efficiency (Table 2).

### *Screw Trap*

Capture rates of chinook in the screw trap were estimated by releasing 24 mark-recapture groups between April 17 and July 4. Capture rates ranged from 0% to 28%, and release group sizes ranged from 16 to 100 chinook. Hourly flows during releases ranged from 240 to 696 cfs, and did not significantly explain the variation among individual trap efficiency tests. Trap efficiency tests were grouped by statistical week due to small sizes of some release groups and low recapture numbers. Weeks with only one efficiency test were grouped with previous or following weeks to create a larger group (Table 10). Chapman's modification of the Peterson estimate was used to estimate migration.

**Table 10.** Estimated chinook smolt recapture rates from grouped screw trap efficiency tests, Cedar River 2005.

Statistical Week	Average Flow (cfs)	NUMBER		Recapture Rate	Catch	Peterson Estimate	Variance
		Released	Recaptured				
16	696	100	10	10.0%	333	3,066	1.29E+06
17, 18	362	50	7	14.0%	336	2,147	9.92E+05
19	335	150	22	14.7%	692	4,549	1.11E+07
20	351	49	9	18.4%	717	3,589	5.58E+06
21	523	243	35	14.4%	507	3,442	8.84E+06
22	358	164	18	11.0%	401	3,490	3.06E+06
23	330	91	4	4.4%	558	10,285	1.85E+06
24	315	210	4	1.9%	450	19,031	1.20E+06
25	299	89	2	2.2%	188	5,669	1.39E+05
26-31	266	75	2	2.7%	241	6,130	2.29E+05
Total		1,221	113		4,423	61,397	
Average				9.4%			
Variance							3.43E+07

## Production Estimate

The fry trap and screw trap ran concurrently between April 11 and May 15, which provided independent daily estimates of chinook migration. Daily estimates from each trap were summed by week and tested for equality using a Z-test. Differences were significant in three of the five weeks tested ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) (Table 11). After week 17, weekly migration estimates based on fry trapping declined to low levels relative to screw trap-based estimates. Over the same period, weekly migrations estimated with the screw trap increased with the exception of just one week. As chinook grew in April, larger chinook were able to avoid the fry trap. Therefore, we used the screw trap estimates from April 11 through the end of the migration.

Combining the chinook production estimated from the fry trap for January 21 through April 10, with the estimate from the screw trap for April 11 through July 29, yielded a total migration over this interval of 129,471 age 0+ chinook (Table 12, Figure 9, Appendix B). Migration prior to fry trap

operation was estimated by logarithmic extrapolation from January 1 to 20, adding 5,132 migrants for a total migration of 134,603 chinook.

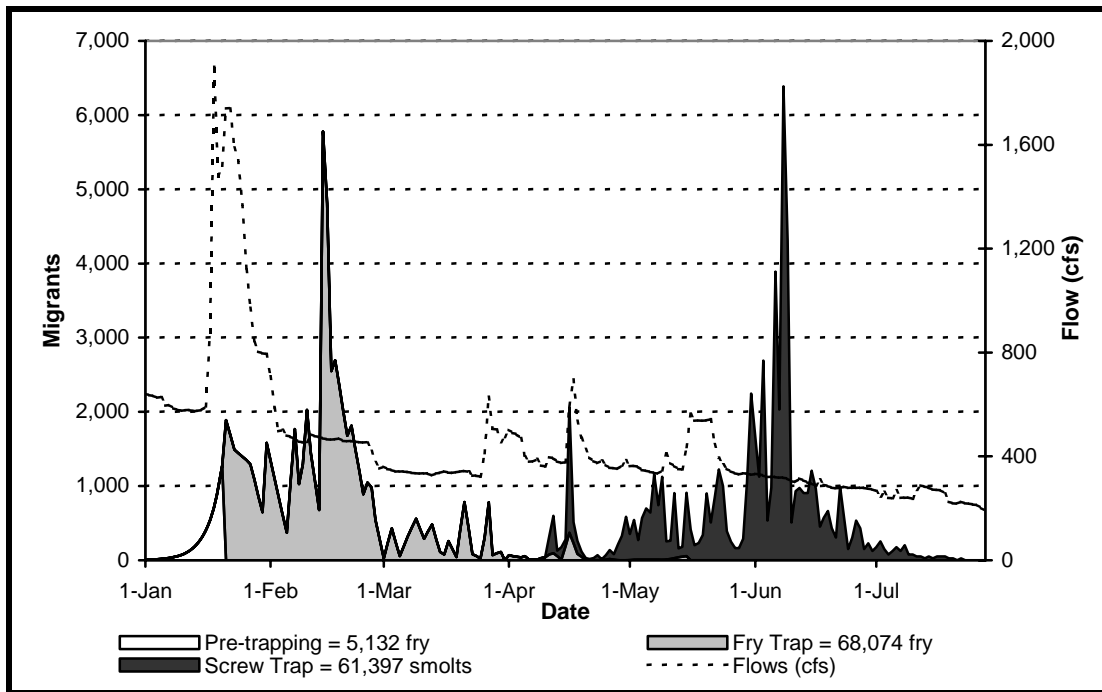
**Table 11.** Independent weekly estimates of chinook migration,  $N_w$ , from the fry and screw traps with results from a Z-test comparison of the weekly estimates, Cedar River 2005.

Statistical Week			Fry Trap		Screw Trap		Significant Difference? (Yes/No)
Begin	End	Number	Estimated Migration ( $N_w$ )	$V(N_w)$	Estimated Migration ( $N_w$ )	$V(N_w)$	
04/11	04/17	16	1,027	15,533	3,066	327,980	No
04/18	04/24	17	134	1,189	415	3,305	No
04/25	05/01	18	39	57	1,732	36,198	Yes
05/02	05/08	19	70	0	4,549	70,680	Yes
05/09	05/15	20	211	340	3,589	175,055	Yes

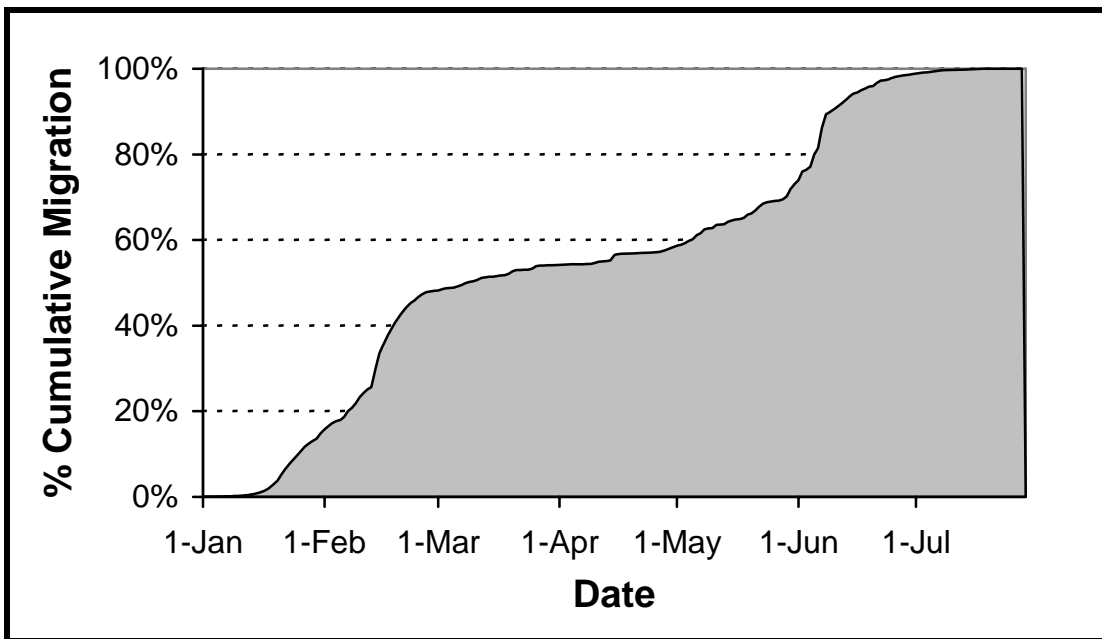
**Table 12.** 2005 Cedar River juvenile chinook production estimate and confidence intervals.

Gear	Period	Estimated		95% CI		CV
		Catch	Migration	Low	High	
Pre-Trapping	January 1 - 20		5,132	556	9,708	45.5%
Fry Trap	January 21- April 10	8,888	68,074	39,016	97,132	21.8%
Screw Trap	April 11 - July 29	4,423	61,397	42,921	72,874	9.5%
Season Total		13,311	134,603	91,691	177,515	16.3%

As in the previous five seasons, emigration timing was clearly bi-modal (Figure 9). We estimate that the migration was 25%, 50%, and 75% complete by February 12, March 10, and June 3, respectively (Figure 10). Juvenile chinook emigrated in nearly equal proportions of fry and smolts during the 2004 brood out-migration. Relative to the patterns observed over the previous five broods, the 2004 brood fry to smolt ratio is similar to 2003, with a larger smolt portion than most other years (Table 13). This timing pattern of nearly equal smolt and fry proportions may be a result of density and flows during the rearing period. Brood year 2000 was notable because it experienced extremely low stable flows throughout the winter and also had the lowest number of parent spawners.



**Figure 9.** Estimated daily Cedar River chinook migration from fry and screw trap estimates and flow (USGS Renton Gage), 2005.



**Figure 10.** Cumulative percent migration of age 0+ chinook, Cedar River 2005.

**Table 13.** Comparison of fry and smolt components between brood years for wild chinook production, standardized by assuming a January 1 to July 13 migration period, Cedar River broods 1998 to 2004.

Brood Year	Migration			% Migration	
	Fry Jan 1-Apr 15	Smolt Apr 16-Jul 13	Total Jan 1-Jul 13	Fry Jan 1-Apr 15	Smolt Apr 16-Jul 13
1998	67,293	12,811	80,104	84%	16%
1999	45,906	18,817	64,723	71%	29%
2000	10,994	21,157	32,151	34%	66%
2001	79,813	39,326	119,139	67%	33%
2002	194,135	41,262	235,397	82%	18%
2003	65,875	54,929	120,804	55%	45%
2004	74,292	60,569	134,861	55%	45%

## Egg-to-Migrant Survival

Relating juvenile chinook production from the Cedar River to estimates of annual egg deposition yields brood year egg-to-migrant survival rates. For the 2004 brood, the wild chinook egg-to-migrant survival rate was estimated at 5.9% based on an escapement of 511 females (Burton *et al.* 2005) and an assumed fecundity of 4,500 eggs per female. Although the 2004 brood had the largest number of spawners, it produced the lowest survival rate in the seven-year data set (Table 14). Following an anomalous winter with very little snowfall in the watershed, flows during winter through spring 2005 were notably low and stable. Continued monitoring and subsequent analysis will identify and quantify the importance of factors such as flow and spawner density on fresh water chinook production.

**Table 14.** Wild age 0+ chinook egg-to-migrant survival estimates for brood years 1998-2004, Cedar River.

Brood Year	Estimated Migration	Est. Females	Potential Egg Deposition	Production/Female	Survival Rates
1998	80,932	173	778,500	468	10.4%
1999	64,723	180	810,000	360	8.0%
2000	32,249	53	238,500	608	13.5%
2001	119,674	398	1,791,000	301	6.7%
2002	235,397	281	1,264,500	838	18.6%
2003	120,876	337	1,516,500	359	8.0%
2004	134,604	511	2,299,500	263	5.9%

## Coho

### Catch

A total of 2,899 wild coho smolts were caught in the screw trap between April 11 and July 29. Approximately 74% of the catch occurred during May. Catch distribution was uni-modal with the peak catch of 174 smolts occurring on May 15.

### Catch Expansion

Expansion of the actual catch to represent the number of coho that would have been caught if the screw trap had fished continuously resulted in the addition of only 29 coho. This addition represented less than 1% of the catch. These expansions account for additions made for three fishing

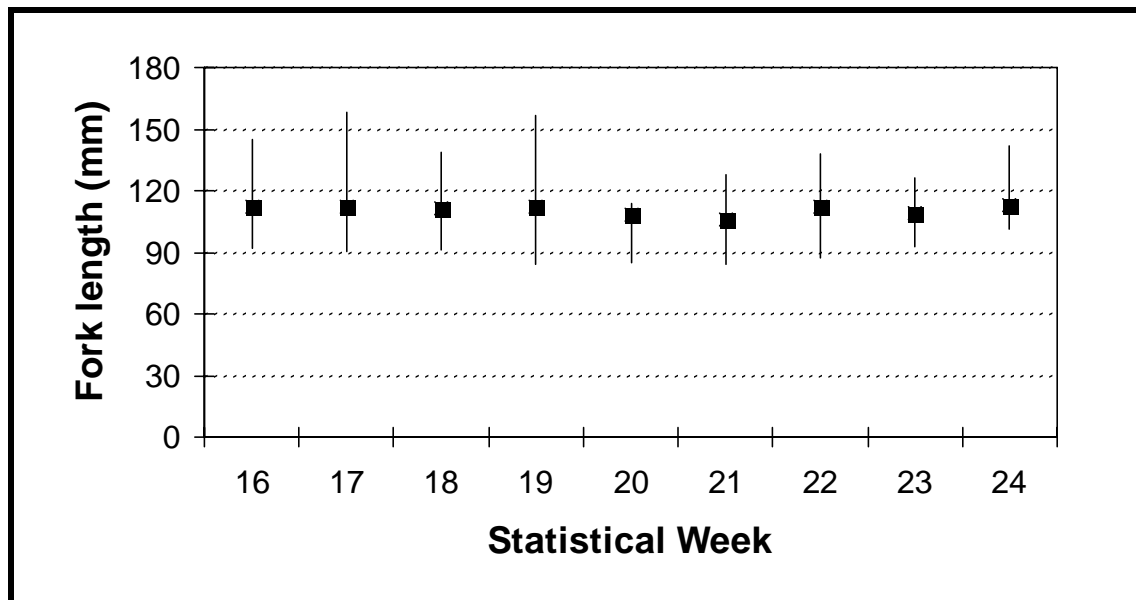
intervals when debris stopped the screw from turning (screw stoppers). Although two other screw stoppers occurred, catch was not expanded on those dates due to catches of zero for previous and following intervals.

## Size

Over the season, weekly coho smolt fork lengths averaged 110 mm and ranged from 84 mm to 158 mm (Figure 11, Table 15). There was little variation in weekly mean size over the season.

**Table 15.** Weekly mean fork length (mm), standard deviation, range, sample size and catches for coho smolts from the Cedar River screw trap, 2005.

Statistical Week			Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch
Begin	End	No.			Min	Max		
04/11	04/17	16	112.5	12.1	92.0	145	52	201
04/18	04/24	17	112.5	11.3	90.0	158	65	112
04/25	05/01	18	111.8	9.9	91.0	139	66	443
05/02	05/08	19	112.5	10.2	84.0	157	498	748
05/09	05/15	20	108.7	8.9	85.0	114	400	701
05/16	05/22	21	105.8	9.1	84.0	128	215	369
05/23	05/29	22	111.9	10.5	87.0	138	84	192
05/30	06/05	23	109.1	8.0	93.0	126	38	76
06/06	06/12	24	112.6	11.1	101.0	142	12	42
06/13	07/31	25-31						15
Season Totals			110.0	9.9	84	158	1,430	2,899



**Figure 11.** Weekly ranges and mean fork lengths for coho smolts captured in the Cedar River screw trap, 2005.

## Trap Efficiency

Thirteen mark-recapture tests were conducted to measure trap efficiency for coho. Recapture rates for individual release groups ranged from 0% to 8.8% (Table 16). No environmental or flow effects

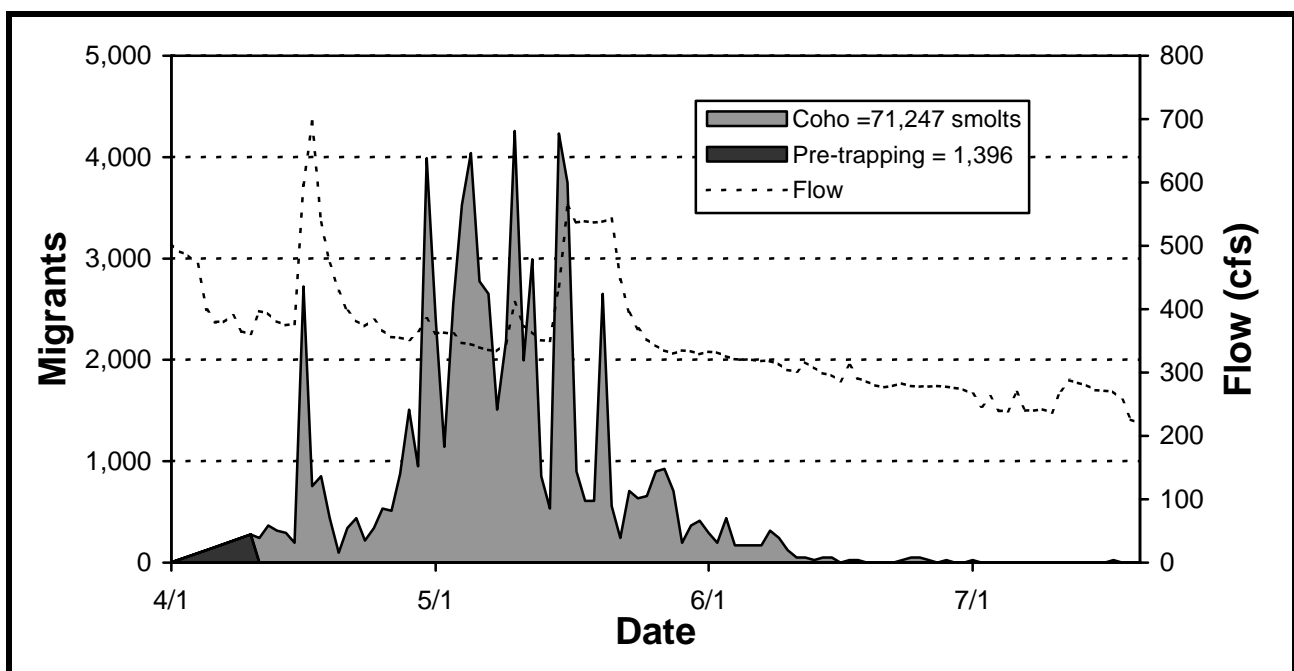
explained the observed variation in efficiency. Therefore, the average rate (4.1%) was used to estimate daily migration and season production.

**Table 16.** Estimated coho smolt recapture rates from screw trap efficiency tests, Cedar River 2005.

Date(s)	Flow (s) (cfs)	NUMBER		Recapture Rate	Variance
		Released	Recaptured		
4/17	696	101	3	3.0%	2.9E-04
4/28	352	35	1	2.9%	7.9E-04
4/29	366	60	1	1.7%	2.7E-04
5/01	362	100	4	4.0%	3.8E-04
5/07	336	50	2	4.0%	7.7E-04
5/08	334	100	4	4.0%	3.8E-04
5/11	375	100	0	0.0%	0.0E+00
5/14	350	34	3	8.8%	2.4E-03
5/16	563	50	4	8.0%	1.5E-03
5/17	537	50	4	8.0%	1.5E-03
5/21	543	100	1	1.0%	9.9E-05
5/27	335	37	3	8.1%	2.0E-03
5/29	335	65	0	0.0%	0.0E+00
Total		882	30		
Average				4.11%	
Variance				7.74E-05	
n				13	

### Production Estimate

Coho production was estimated at 71,247 smolts during the trapping season. Using linear extrapolation to a starting migration date of April 1, an estimated 1,396 additional smolts migrated before trapping began on April 11. Total coho production was estimated at 72,643 smolts with a coefficient of variation of 21.4% and a 95% confidence interval of 42,725 to 102,561 smolts (Figure 12, Appendix B).



**Figure 12.** Estimate of daily coho smolt migration and daily average flow, Cedar River screw trap 2005.



## Trout

### DNA and Scale Analysis

Over the season, 50 juvenile cutthroat samples were collected for DNA analysis. Only one sample was collected during fry trap operation and 49 during screw trap operation in April and May. These samples were collected and analyzed to assess the accuracy of species identification and increase the genetic baseline. Thirty-five scale samples were collected from the cutthroat sampled for DNA. Scale analysis indicated that ages 1+, 2+, and 3+ trout were captured in the traps. Fork lengths ranged from 127 mm to 237 mm (Table 17), and varied considerably within and between age classes. Fork lengths between the three age groups were found to be significantly different ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) using single classification analysis of variance. Tukey's pairwise comparison was used to evaluate fork length differences between individual age classes. Fork lengths from age 1 and 2 trout were found to be significantly different from age 3 fork lengths ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ), but not from each other.

Genotypic identification indicated our ability to identify cutthroat trout was fairly accurate (88%). The six trout that were incorrectly identified as cutthroat were actually *Oncorhynchus mykiss/Oncorhynchus clarki* hybrids (Marshall et al., *in prep*). These hybrids ranged in size from 124 mm to 182 mm and were age 2+ or 3+ fish.

**Table 17.** Size and age of cutthroat sampled for DNA, Cedar River 2005.

Age	n	Length Range (mm)		Average
		Min	Max	
1	5	142	152	145.8
2	19 <sup>a</sup>	127	195	156.6
3	11 <sup>b</sup>	157	237	192.9
Total	35	127	237	163

Note: 15 of the cutthroat sampled for DNA were not sampled for scales .  
<sup>a</sup> Includes two hybrids.  
<sup>b</sup> Includes one hybrid.

The variety of life history strategies used by trout in the Cedar River may include anadromous, ad-fluvial, and resident forms. For simplicity, the catches and estimates reported herein are for trout that were visually identified in the field as either cutthroat or steelhead. We acknowledge that cutthroat-rainbow hybrids are included in the reported cutthroat numbers. Furthermore, we are uncertain whether the reported steelhead were truly the anadromous life-form; yet we reported these separately from the resident rainbows described in the Incidental Catch section, below, since they appeared smolted.

### Catch

Beginning in mid April and lasting through the end of May, 27 steelhead migrants were trapped sporadically.

A total of 86 cutthroat trout were captured in the screw trap between April 11 and July 28. Due to the low catches, there was no definable timing pattern. Only one cutthroat was estimated to have migrated past the trap during intervals when debris stopped the screw.

## Size

Steelhead fork lengths ranged from 132 to 205 mm, and averaged 176.5 mm. Cutthroat trout fork lengths averaged 161.9 mm, and ranged from 106 to 237 mm throughout the trapping season (Table 18).

## Trap Efficiency

Because catches of steelhead and cutthroat migrants were too low on any one day to mark a group for calibrating the trap, estimates of trap efficiency for these species were approximated from other studies.

During evaluation of downstream migrant passage in the Toutle, Green, and White Salmon Rivers, we captured steelhead smolts at rates that were 79%, 54%, and 47%, respectively, of the rates that marked coho were recaptured (Seiler and Neuhauser 1985, Seiler *et al.* 1992). The average of these rates (60%) indicates a steelhead-to-coho capture rate. Applying this rate to our average coho smolt catch rate (4.1%) estimates a steelhead capture rate in the Cedar River screw trap of 2.5%. Although the trapping operations on the Toutle, Green, and White Salmon Rivers employed scoop traps, from which steelhead can more easily escape, Bear Creek screw trap data corroborates the 60% rate. In 2004, the capture rates in Bear Creek for coho and cutthroat averaged 43.2% and 25.6%, resulting in a cutthroat-to-coho capture rate of 59%. As cutthroat migrants in the Cedar River averaged 161.9 mm, similar in size to steelhead migrants, we consider them an acceptable surrogate.

**Table 18.** Weekly mean cutthroat fork length (mm), standard deviation, range, sample size and catches, Cedar River screw trap 2005.

Statistical Week			Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch
Begin	End	No.			Min	Max		
04/11	04/17	16	162.3	28.8	106	237	23	29
04/18	04/24	17	144.9	13.3	127	167	8	6
04/25	05/01	18	165.0	31.4	143	201	3	3
05/02	05/08	19	155.3	18.1	134	181	6	6
05/09	05/15	20	163.8	16.0	143	184	6	4
05/16	05/22	21						1
05/23	05/29	22	197.3	27.4	181	229	3	4
05/30	06/05	23	184.0	4.2	181	187	2	4
06/06	06/12	24	169.0	1.4	168	170	2	6
06/13	07/31	25-31						23
Season Total			161.9	25.2	106	237	53	86

## Production Estimate

Application of a capture rate of 2.5% to the catch of 27 steelhead estimates a total migration of 1,098 migrants. Applying this rate to the expanded catch of 87 cutthroat estimates the total cutthroat migration during the trapping period at 3,537 cutthroat (Appendix B). No confidence intervals were developed for these estimates, which apply only to the period of screw trap operation (April 11 through July 29). While cutthroat migration likely occurred before and after this interval, no migration timing trends were evident from the catch data, which would help to define the start or end of this migration. Therefore, there was no expansion of the cutthroat estimate beyond the trapping period. The estimate of cutthroat migration during the trapping season represents an unknown portion of the total production of downstream migrant cutthroat from the Cedar River.

Based on limited sampling, Marshall et al. (*in press*) estimated 12% of the field identified cutthroat were, in fact, cutthroat/rainbow hybrids. Applying this rate estimates that approximately 3,113 cutthroat and 424 hybrid trout passed the traps.

## **PIT Tagging**

To support the ongoing, multi-agency evaluation of salmonid survival within the Lake Washington basin, we began tagging chinook with passive integrated transponder (PIT) tags on May 2 and tagged almost daily through the beginning of June when fish were abundant. As migration slowed in June, tagging occurred roughly every two days and ended July 12. Chinook were held from the previous day in order to increase the number tagged per day. Over the season a total of 2,075 wild and 63 hatchery chinook smolts were tagged (Table 19). This tag group comprised 1.5% of the chinook smolt production from the Cedar River in 2005. In addition, 1,265 coho were also PIT tagged.

**Table 19.** Wild chinook smolts PIT tagged and released from the Cedar River screw trap, 2005.

#	Stat Week		Chinook Wild	Length			Chinook Hatchery	Length			Portion of Migration Tagged
	Start	End		Avg	Min	Max		Avg	Min	Max	
19	05/02	05/08	325	84.3	68	101	0				7.1%
20	05/09	05/15	503	84.9	67	106	0				14.0%
21	05/16	05/22	186	84.1	71	111	0				5.4%
22	05/23	05/29	328	92.8	73	108	0				9.4%
23	05/30	06/05	318	95.3	75	114	0				3.1%
24	06/06	06/12	235	97.4	80	138	0				1.2%
25	06/13	06/19	48	96.5	80	110	29	115	99	131	0.8%
26	06/20	06/26	88	100.6	88	119	26	122	111	134	2.7%
27	06/27	07/03	33	104.4	90	139	6	124	115	132	1.7%
28	07/04	07/10	10	106.9	101	114	1	136	136	136	1.2%
29	07/11	07/24	1	118	118	118	1	130	130	130	0.3%
Total			2,075	90.6	67	139	63	119	9	136	1.5%

## **Mortality**

Over the season, one chinook fry died in the fry trap in January.

Three coho and 19 chinook smolts were found dead in the screw trap throughout the season.

## **Incidental Species**

Additional catch in the fry trap, other than sockeye and chinook fry, included 51 coho smolts, five chum fry, three cutthroat smolts, two chinook smolts, and two trout parr. Other species caught included three-spine stickleback, sculpin, lamprey, large scale sucker fry, dace, and long-fin smelt.

Other salmonids caught in the screw trap include 4 coho fry, 161 sockeye fry, 15 cutthroat adult, 17 resident rainbow trout, one sockeye smolt, and 257 ad-marked chinook smolts. Other species caught included three-spine stickleback, sculpin, lamprey, pumpkinseed, large scale suckers (adult and fry), peamouth, and one northern pike minnow.

# Bear Creek Results

## Sockeye

### Catch

On the first night of trapping, February 1, 45 sockeye fry were caught in the fry trap. Thereafter, through the night of April 7, the trap fished two to four nights a week for a total of 34 nights. Catches peaked during the night of March 16 when 5,202 fry were caught. When trapping concluded on the morning of April 7, catches totaled 19,903 sockeye fry.

Expanding catches for the 32 nights not fished estimates that there would have been an additional 19,150 sockeye fry caught during those nights. Should the trap have fished continuously from February 1 to April 7, a total of 39,053 fry would have been caught. In previous years no sockeye fry were caught during daylight intervals fished. Therefore, migration during daylight hours was considered minimal and not estimated.

### Trap Efficiency

Over the season, seven groups of marked sockeye fry were released upstream of the fry trap. Capture rates ranged from 8.7% to 28.3% (Table 20). The mean of these rates (19.4%) was used to estimate daily efficiency.

**Table 20.** Sockeye fry trap efficiency tests by date, Bear Creek 2005.

Date	Flow (cfs)	Released	Recaptured	Trap Efficiency	Variance
02/28	45	300	26	8.7%	2.6E-04
03/02	45	300	85	28.3%	6.8E-04
03/04	43	298	79	26.5%	6.5E-04
03/07	40	299	72	24.1%	6.1E-04
03/08	39	300	75	25.0%	6.3E-04
03/29	152	197	18	9.1%	4.2E-04
04/05	100	272	38	14.0%	4.4E-04
Total		1,966	393		
Average				19.4%	
Variance				1.0E-03	
n				7	

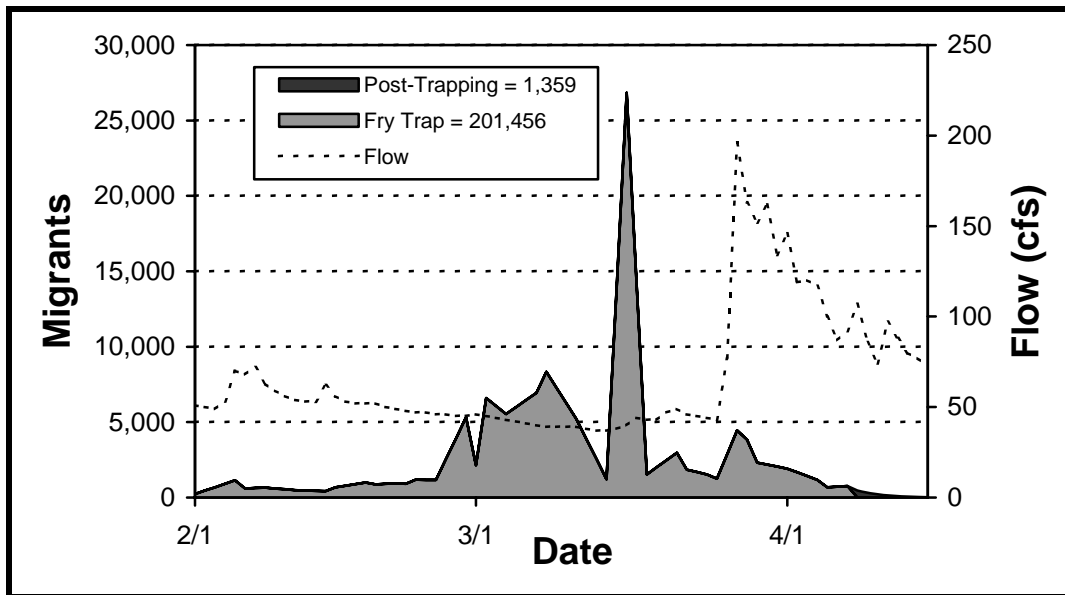
### Production Estimate

During the period of fry trap operation (February 1 through April 7), we estimate 201,456 sockeye fry passed the trap. The sockeye fry migration was still underway when the screw trap replaced the fry trap on April 7. Rather than attempting to calibrate the screw trap, the tail end of the migration was estimated using logarithmic extrapolation. Migration from April 8 to April 15 was estimated at 1,359 fry. A total of 202,815 sockeye fry was estimated to have migrated from Bear Creek in 2005 (Table 21, Figure 13, Appendix C).

Egg-to-migrant survival of the 2004 brood was estimated at 8.8% (Table 22). This rate is the ratio of 202,815 fry to an estimate of 2.3 million eggs potentially deposited. Egg deposition is based on an estimated 1,449 sockeye adults in Bear Creek (Foley<sup>a</sup> pers. comm.), an even sex ratio, and an assumed fecundity of 3,200 eggs per female.

**Table 21.** Estimated 2005 Bear Creek sockeye fry migration entering Lake Washington with 95% confidence intervals.

Period	Dates	Est. Migration	CV	95% CI	
				Low	High
Fry Trap	February 1 - April 7	201,456	16.6%	136,008	266,904
Post-Trapping	April 8 - April 15	1,359	17.6%	891	1,827
Season Totals		202,815	16.5%	137,365	268,265



**Figure 13.** Estimated daily migration of sockeye fry from Bear Creek and daily average flow, 2005.

**Table 22.** Sockeye egg-to-migrant survival rates by brood year, Bear Creek.

Brood Year	Spawners	Females (@50%)	Fecundity	PED	Fry Production	Survival Rate	Peak Incubation Flow (cfs)	Peak Incubation Date
1998	8,300	4,150	3,200	13,280,000	1,523,208	11.47%	515	11/26/1998
1999	1,600	800	3,200	2,560,000	189,571	7.42%	458	11/13/1999
2000	43,000	21,500	3,200	68,800,000	2,235,514	3.20%	188	11/27/2000
2001	8,378	4,189	3,200	13,404,800	2,659,782	19.84%	626	11/23/2001
2002	34,700	17,350	3,200	55,520,000	1,995,294	3.59%	222	01/23/2003
2003	1,765	883	3,200	2,824,000	177,801	6.30%	660	01/30/2004
2004	1,449	725	3,200	2,318,400	202,815	8.75%	495	12/12/2004

## Chinook

### Catch

#### Fry Trap

The first night of trapping, February 1 no chinook fry were caught. Catches peaked on the night of February 5 when 20 fry were caught. In total, 102 chinook fry were caught in the fry trap by the time trapping ended on the morning of April 7.

Catch expansion for the 32 nights not fished resulted in an additional estimated catch of 127 chinook fry, bringing the total to 229 chinook fry caught in the fry trap.

### **Screw Trap**

The fry trap was replaced with the screw trap on April 7, and it fished continuously through July 14. On the first night of trapping, only one chinook was caught. Catches began to increase by late April, and peaked on May 5 when 325 chinook were caught. Catches then declined to less than 20 per day by June 11. A total of 4,612 chinook were caught over the 98 days trapped. Catch was estimated for one night when the trap was stopped due to debris, adding an additional eight fish.

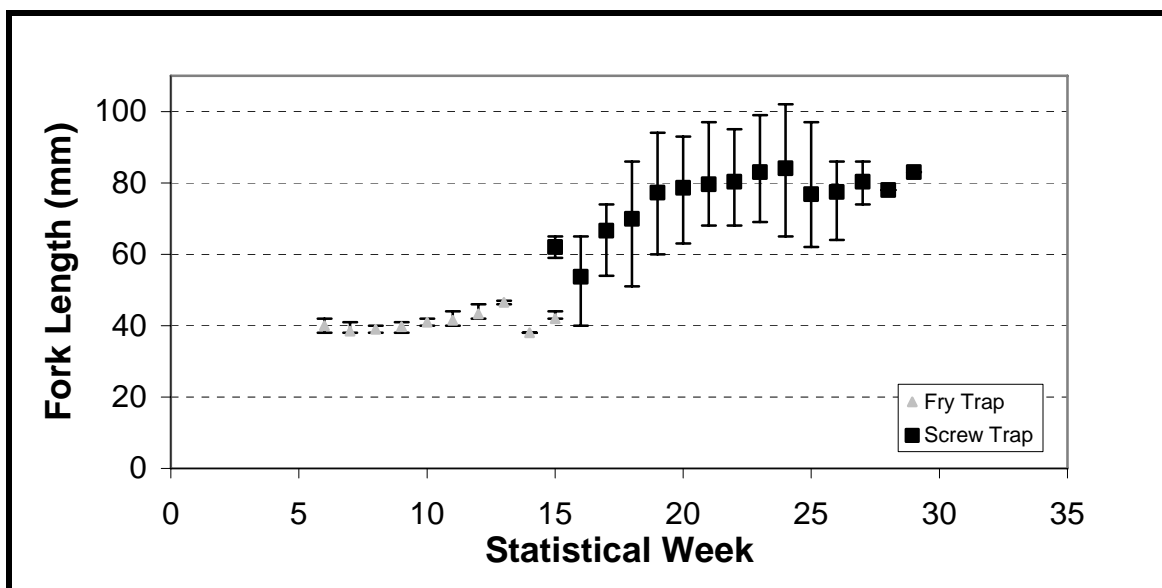
### **Size**

From early February through early April, the sizes of chinook fry captured in the fry trap ranged from only 38 mm to 47 mm, and averaged 40.6 mm (Figure 14).

Weekly average fork lengths during screw trap operation increased throughout the season. Chinook averaged 54 mm in mid April, and grew to average 84 mm by mid June (Table 23). Fork lengths over the season ranged from 40 mm to 102 mm (Figure 14).

**Table 23.** Chinook and coho smolt mean fork lengths (mm), standard deviations, ranges, sample sizes, and catches in the Bear Creek fry and screw traps, 2005.

	Statistical Week			CHINOOK						COHO					
	Begin	End	No.	Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch	Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch
						Min	Max					Min	Max		
<b>Fry Trap</b>	01/31	02/06	6	40.0	1.9	38	42	5	30						
	02/07	02/13	7	38.5	1.2	38	41	6	23						
	02/14	02/20	8	39.0	1.4	38	40	2	7						
	02/21	02/27	9	39.7	1.0	38	41	6	8						
	02/28	03/06	10	41.0	0.8	40	42	7	7						
	03/07	03/13	11	41.5	1.5	40	44	6	6						
	03/14	03/20	12	43.3	2.3	42	46	3	3						
	03/21	03/27	13	46.5	0.7	46	47	2	2						
	03/28	04/03	14	38.0	0.0	38	38	4	10						
	04/04	04/10	15	42.0	1.4	40	44	5	6						
	Totals			40.6	2.3	38	47	46	102						
<b>Screw Trap</b>	04/08	04/10	15	62.0	4.2	59	65	2	2	120.6	9.8	106	138	11	11
	04/11	04/17	16	53.7	7.5	40	65	9	20	129.0	24.9	100	220	26	76
	04/18	04/24	17	66.6	5.8	54	74	19	47	114.5	13.2	87	156	114	1,032
	04/25	05/01	18	69.9	8.2	51	86	69	471	110.0	10.7	90	146	179	6,028
	05/02	05/08	19	77.3	5.7	60	94	600	1,565	107.0	11.0	81	183	609	6,342
	05/09	05/15	20	78.6	5.7	63	93	214	490	113.5	11.5	91	190	459	1,811
	05/16	05/22	21	79.6	6.1	68	97	208	321	110.9	11.4	86	148	219	494
	05/23	05/29	22	80.3	5.5	68	95	203	857	112.3	10.4	89	146	104	310
	05/30	06/05	23	83.0	6.1	69	99	198	382	109.5	12.1	91	134	22	52
	06/06	06/12	24	84.1	7.1	65	102	137	278	112.8	15.7	100	134	4	23
	06/13	06/19	25	76.8	6.7	62	97	60	101	111.5	15.8	96	131	6	10
	06/20	06/26	26	77.5	5.4	64	86	46	38						2
	06/27	07/03	27	80.3	6.0	74	86	3	19						0
	07/04	07/10	28	78.0		78	78	1	18						0
	07/11	07/17	29	83.0		83	83	1	3						0
	Totals			78.7	7.1	40	102	1,770	4,612	110.9	12.1	81	220	1,753	16,191



**Figure 14.** Average and range of chinook 0+ fork lengths sampled from Bear Creek, 2005.

## Trap Efficiency

Sockeye fry were used to estimate fry trap efficiency because inadequate numbers of chinook fry were available to conduct efficiency tests. Capture efficiency was estimated at 19.4%, the average of all individual tests (Table 20).

Tests to estimate the capture rate of the screw trap efficiency tests were conducted on 19 days from May 1 to June 17. Efficiency rates ranged from 9.8% to 96.2% and averaged 58.1% (Table 24). Daily average flows ranged from 34 to 111 cfs during the tests, similar to the flow range during trapping season (26 to 156 cfs). Lower capture rates were associated with flows greater than 60 cfs, therefore we stratified the data into two groups: efficiency test conducted with flows below 60 cfs and those conducted with flows of 60 cfs or greater. Efficiency ranged from 38% to 96.2% with flows below 60 cfs and average 66.5%. With flows 60 cfs or greater, efficiency ranged from 9.8% to 81% and averaged 34.6%. The average efficiency of each stratum was used to estimate migration.

**Table 24.** Chinook 0+ trap efficiency test results stratified by flow, Bear Creek 2005.

	Date	NUMBER		Efficiency Rate	Variance	Flow (cfs)
		Released	Recaptured			
<b>Flows &lt; 60 cfs</b>	05/01	50	21	42.0%	4.9E-03	41
	05/03	50	19	38.0%	4.7E-03	44
	05/04	50	34	68.0%	4.4E-03	42
	05/06	50	39	78.0%	3.4E-03	40
	05/07	50	34	68.0%	4.4E-03	36
	05/08	50	26	52.0%	5.0E-03	34
	05/14	26	25	96.2%	1.4E-03	47
	05/27	73	60	82.2%	2.0E-03	45
	05/28	74	59	79.7%	2.2E-03	40
	05/29	50	37	74.0%	3.8E-03	35
	05/30	50	39	78.0%	3.4E-03	34
	06/08	23	14	60.9%	1.0E-02	58
	06/16	25	13	52.0%	1.0E-02	39
	06/17	16	10	62.5%	1.5E-02	51
	Average	637	430	66.5%		
	Variance			1.9E-03		
	n			14		
<b>Flows = or &gt; 60 cfs</b>	05/18	19	8	42.1%	1.3E-02	75
	05/21	41	4	9.8%	2.1E-03	111
	05/23	60	12	20.0%	2.7E-03	82
	06/10	53	43	81.1%	2.9E-03	62
	06/06	50	10	20.0%	3.2E-03	60
		Average	223	77	34.6%	
	Variance			1.6E-02		
	n			5		

## Production Estimate

From February 1 to April 7, an estimate of 1,175 chinook fry passed the fry trap. During screw trap operation (April 8 through July 15) an estimated 8,142 chinook passed the trap. Daily migrations in April averaged less than 30 chinook. Migration increased by late-April and averaged over 200 chinook per day for the month of May. Thereafter, migration declined to average less than 25 chinook per day through the remainder of trapping season.

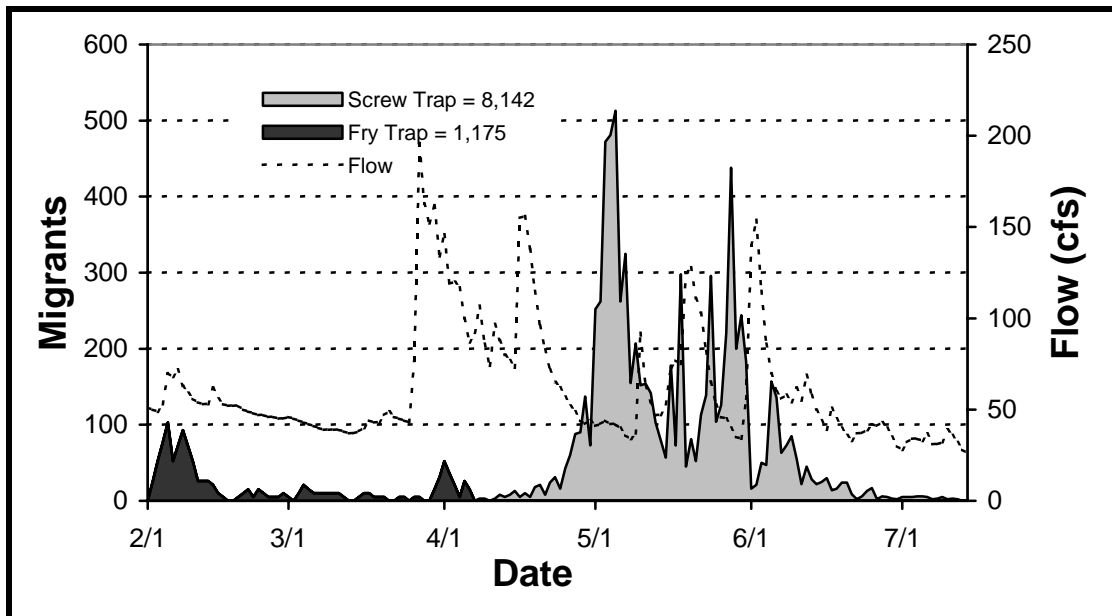


Combining the fry and screw trap chinook production estimates a total juvenile production of 9,317 chinook with a coefficient of variation of 10.2% and a 95% confidence interval of 7,452 to 11,183 juveniles (Figure 15, Appendix C).

Egg-to-migrant survival of the 2004 brood was estimated at 3.0% (Table 25). This rate is the ratio of 9,317 chinook to an estimate of 306,000 eggs potentially deposited. Egg deposition is based on 68 spawning females in Bear Creek (Foley<sup>a</sup> pers. comm.) and an assumed fecundity of 4,500 eggs per female. This is the lowest spawning escapement observed since monitoring downstream migrants began with the 1998 brood. In addition, based on carcass recovery, hatchery produced chinook comprised 63.8% of the spawners (Foley<sup>b</sup> pers comm.).

**Table 25.** Age 0+ chinook production and egg-to-migrant survival estimates for Bear Creek broods 1998 to 2004.

Brood Year	Estimated Migration	Estimated Females	Potential Egg Deposition	Production/Female	Survival Rates
1998	15,002	159	715,500	94.4	2.1%
1999	32,220	293	1,318,500	110.0	2.4%
2000	10,588	133	598,500	79.6	1.8%
2001	21,454	276	1,242,000	77.7	1.7%
2002	17,313	144	648,000	120.2	2.7%
2003	23,647	105	472,500	225.2	5.0%
2004	9,317	68	306,000	137.0	3.0%



**Figure 15.** Estimated daily chinook 0+ migration and daily average flow from Bear Creek, 2005.

## Coho

### Catch

Two coho smolts were caught on the first night, April 8, of screw trap operation. After this night, catches steadily increased and peaked at 1,602 smolts on May 3. Catches declined thereafter, and by early June daily catches averaged less than five smolts per day. Over the entire 98-day trapping season, ending on the morning of July 15, a total of 16,191 coho smolts were caught.

## Size

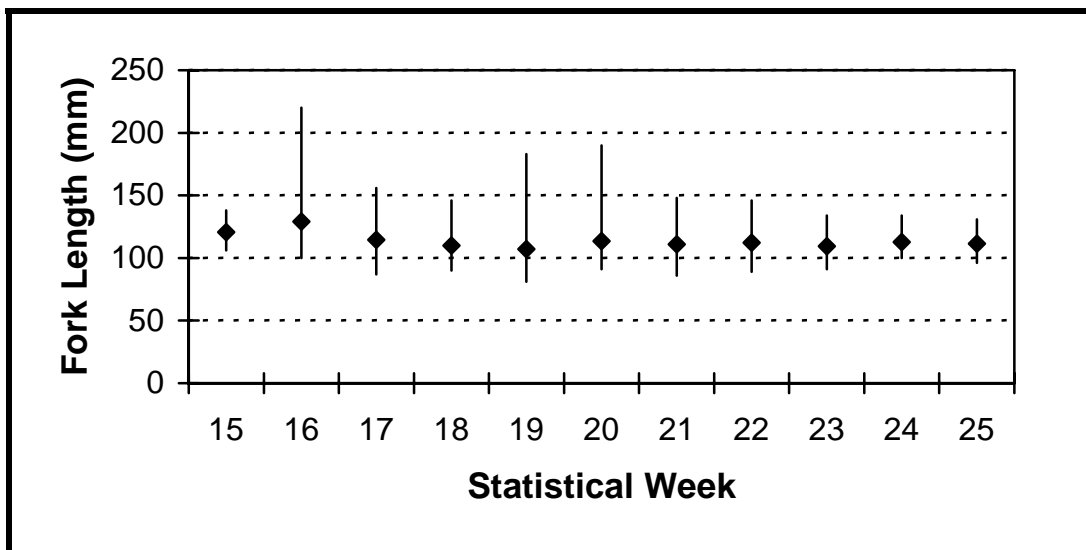
Over the trapping period, fork lengths ranged from 81 mm to 220 mm and averaged 110.9 mm (Table 23). Weekly mean size ranged from 107mm to 129 mm over the season (Figure 16).

## Trap Efficiency

A total of 1,244 marked coho were released in 25 groups upstream of the trap between April 21 and May 28. Trap efficiencies ranged from 5.4% to 72% and averaged 37.3% (Table 26). Tests conducted when flows were less than 70 cfs resulted in higher efficiencies ( $\bar{e} = 41.3\%$ ) compared to those conducted at higher flows ( $\bar{e} = 16.8\%$ ). These mean efficiencies were found to be significantly different ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) using analysis of variance. Therefore the catch data was stratified by streamflow and the mean efficiency for each stratum was used to estimate migration.

## Production Estimate

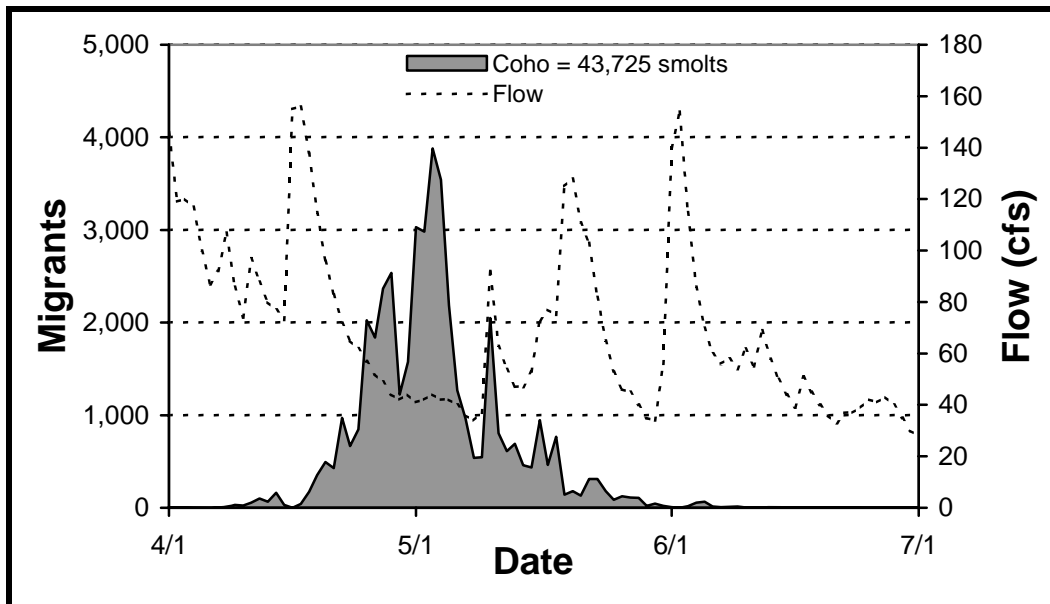
Coho production was estimated at 43,725 smolts with a coefficient of variation of 0.1% and a 95% confidence interval of 43,638 to 43,813 smolts (Figure 17, Appendix C).



**Figure 16.** Average and range of fork lengths from coho smolts sampled from Bear Creek, 2005.

**Table 26.** Estimated coho smolt recapture rates from screw trap efficiency tests, Bear Creek 2005.

	Date	Flow (cfs)	Efficiency Tests		Efficiency Rate	Variance
			Released	Recaptured		
<b>Flows &lt; 70 cfs</b>	04/23	83	50	17	34.0%	4.49E-03
	04/24	65	50	16	32.0%	4.35E-03
	04/25	62	50	19	38.0%	4.71E-03
	04/26	57	50	22	44.0%	4.93E-03
	04/27	52	50	23	46.0%	4.97E-03
	04/28	49	50	25	50.0%	5.00E-03
	04/29	44	50	22	44.0%	4.93E-03
	05/01	42	50	21	42.0%	4.87E-03
	05/02	41	50	20	40.0%	4.80E-03
	05/03	42	50	21	42.0%	4.87E-03
	05/06	44	50	25	50.0%	5.00E-03
	05/07	40	50	28	56.0%	4.93E-03
	05/08	36	50	36	72.0%	4.03E-03
	05/11	34	50	30	60.0%	4.80E-03
	05/12	63	50	10	20.0%	3.20E-03
	05/14	54	50	20	40.0%	4.80E-03
	05/15	47	50	12	24.0%	3.65E-03
	05/15	53	50	16	32.0%	4.35E-03
	05/25	53	49	7	14.3%	2.50E-03
	05/27	75	47	21	44.7%	5.26E-03
	05/28	111	41	17	41.5%	5.92E-03
	Average				41.3%	
	Variance				2.61E-08	
	n				21	
<b>Flows = or &gt; 70 cfs</b>	04/21	82	50	20	40.0%	4.80E-03
	05/18	53	50	3	6.0%	1.13E-03
	05/21	45	37	2	5.4%	1.38E-03
	05/23	40	70	11	15.7%	1.89E-03
		Average				16.8%
	Variance				7.2E-07	
	n				4	



**Figure 17.** Estimated daily coho smolt migration, Bear Creek screw trap 2005.

## *Trout*

### **DNA and Scale Analysis**

A total of 47 trout were sampled from two traps, 15 adult cutthroat tissue samples were collected during fry trap operation, and 32 juvenile cutthroat samples were collected during screw trap operation. Scales were collected and aged from 37 of the DNA sampled fish (Table 27). The cutthroat sampled ranged in size from 119mm to 595 mm, and from one to seven years of age, some with numerous spawning checks. Fork length analysis was conducted to determine whether differences existed between the DNA sampled fish. Age 5, 6, and 7 trout were not included in this analysis since only a single fish from each of these age classes was sampled. Fork lengths between the age 1 through 4 trout were found to be significantly different ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ) using single classification analysis of variance. Tukey's pairwise comparison was used to evaluate fork length differences between individual age classes. Fork length differences were not significant between the age 1 and 2 trout ( $\alpha = 0.05$ ), but were among all other pairings. The mature fish appeared to migrate earlier in the season than the juvenile migrants. In comparing the DNA results with our visual identification, only *O. mykiss/O. clarki* hybrids were identified incorrectly. These accounted for 8.5% (four fish) of those sampled (Marshall et al. *in prep*). The sampled hybrids ranged in size from 162 mm to 595 mm and ranged in age from one to seven years.

The identification of trout in Bear Creek poses the same difficulties as was discussed earlier in the Cedar River section. For these reasons, we refer to trout as cutthroat trout or steelhead out migrants, based on visual identification.

**Table 27.** Age and length of cutthroat sampled for DNA, Bear Creek 2005.

Lifestage Timing	Age	n	Length Range (mm)		Average
			Min	Max	
Adult (February-March)	3	3	375	420	403
	4	7	370	470	406
	5	1	520	520	520
	6	1	425	425	425
	7	1 <sup>a</sup>	595	595	595
Juveniles (April-June)	1	6 <sup>b</sup>	119	179	150
	2	11 <sup>c</sup>	158	225	189
	3	7 <sup>d</sup>	181	328	217
Total		37	119	595	272
Note: Fourteen scales samples were not taken on cutthroat that were sampled for DNA. <sup>a-d</sup> Include one hybrid					

### Catch and Production Estimate

There were two steelhead captured throughout the 2005 trapping season in Bear Creek.

A total of 1,238 cutthroat trout were captured in the screw trap. Migration was mostly uni-modal with daily catch peaking April 25 and May 2 when 153 cutthroat were caught on each day. Cutthroat trout fork lengths averaged 172.2 mm, and varied from 90 mm to 328 mm throughout the trapping season (Table 28). Six efficiency tests were conducted in late April and early May when catches were high. Capture rates ranged from 20% to 30.2% and averaged 27.9% (Table 29). Cutthroat production was estimated at 4,441 cutthroat, with a coefficient of variation of 5.9% and a 95% confidence interval of 3,928 to 4,954 smolts (Figure 18, Appendix C). This estimate applies only to the interval trapped (April 8 through July 14). During the 2000 season, when the screw trap operated from January through June, 35% of the cutthroat migration occurred prior to April 5. Applying this timing to the cutthroat estimated during the 2005 trapping season estimates that a total of 7,328 cutthroat migrated from Bear Creek.

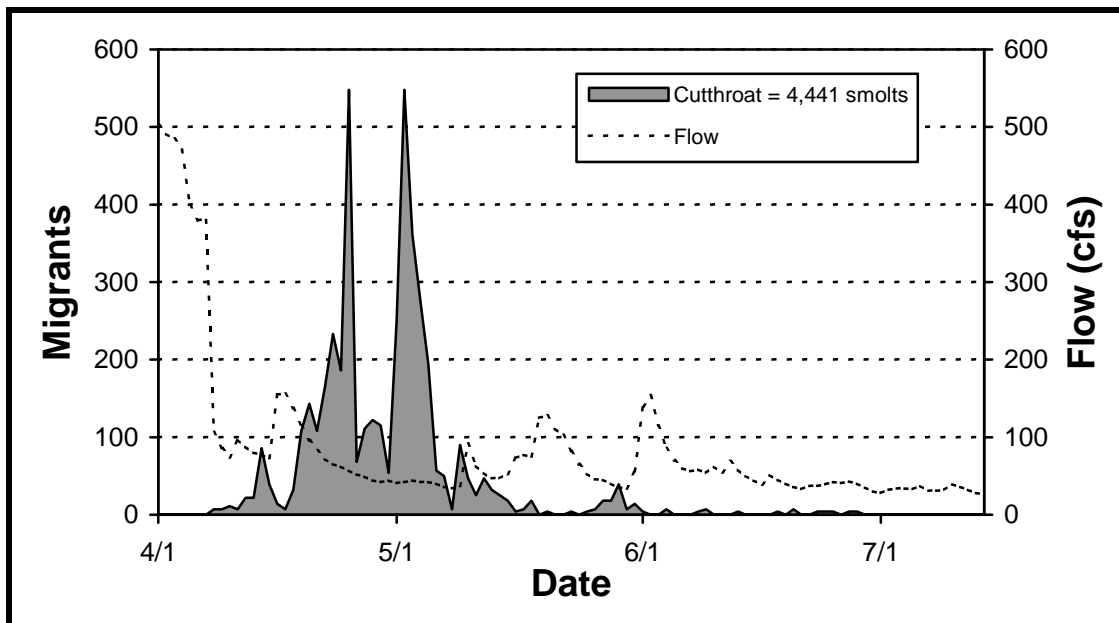
Based on limited sampling, Marshall et al. (*in press*) estimated 8.5% of the field identified cutthroat were, in fact, cutthroat/rainbow hybrids. Applying this rate estimates that approximately 6,705 cutthroat and 623 hybrid trout passed the traps.

**Table 28.** Mean cutthroat fork length (mm), standard deviation, range, sample size, and catch by statistical week, Bear Creek screw trap 2005.

Statistical Week			Avg.	s.d.	Range		n	Catch
Begin	End	No.			Min	Max		
04/04	04/10	15	180.4	28.2	134	219	7	7
04/11	04/17	16	189.6	41.3	129	328	20	55
04/18	04/24	17	178.5	27.3	122	298	94	272
04/25	05/01	18	131.1	29.8	90	208	55	354
05/02	05/08	19	164.6	21.3	130	210	34	417
05/09	05/15	20	161.6	23.9	114	210	16	79
05/16	05/22	21	139.5	29.0	119	160	2	9
05/23	05/29	22	241.0		241	241	1	25
05/30	06/05	23	151.5	5.0	148	155	2	9
06/06	06/12	24	173.0	24.0	156	190	2	3
06/13	07/03	25-27						8
Season Totals			172.2	26.0	90	328	233	1,238

**Table 29.** Cutthroat capture rates measured at Bear Creek screw trap, 2005.

Date	Flow (cfs)	Released	Recaptured	Efficiency	Variance
04/23	65	43	13	30.2%	4.9E-03
04/24	62	62	17	27.4%	3.2E-03
04/25	57	50	15	30.0%	4.2E-03
04/26	52	50	15	30.0%	4.2E-03
05/02	42	50	15	30.0%	4.2E-03
05/03	44	50	10	20.0%	3.2E-03
Total		305	85		
Average				27.9%	
Variance				2.7E-04	



**Figure 18.** Daily estimated migration of cutthroat trout and flow, Bear Creek screw trap 2005.

## ***PIT Tagging***

Tagging chinook began on May 2 and continued for four to five days a week for three weeks. As catch dwindled, chinook were held from the previous days in order to increase the number tagged per day and resulted in tagging only once or twice a week for the remainder of the season. Throughout the trapping season, 1,424 chinook smolts were PIT tagged (Table 30). We tagged 15.3% of the total chinook production from Bear Creek in 2005. In addition, we also tagged 1,207 coho smolts.

**Table 30.** Wild chinook PIT tagged and released from the Bear Creek screw trap, 2005.

#	Statistical Week		Number Tagged	Length			Proportion of Migration Tagged
	Start	End		Average	Min	Max	
19	05/02	05/08	499	78	66	94	20.2%
20	05/09	05/15	195	79	66	93	21.8%
21	05/16	05/22	197	80	68	97	23.5%
22	05/23	05/29	173	80	70	95	11.3%
23	05/30	06/05	194	83	69	99	27.0%
24	06/06	06/12	119	84	69	102	24.9%
25	06/13	06/19	21	82	74	97	13.2%
26	06/20	06/26	26	78	71	86	35.8%
Total			1,424	80	66	102	15.3%

## ***Mortality***

During the fry trapping season, two chinook died in the trap. In the screw trap, 14 chinook and seven coho smolts died over the trapping season.

## ***Incidental Species***

In addition to sockeye and chinook fry caught in the fry trap, two coho fry, six coho smolts, 13 cutthroat smolts, and 16 cutthroat adults were also caught. Other species included lamprey, sculpin, three-spine sticklebacks, pumpkinseed, whitefish, dace, and Northern Pike Minnow. In addition to the species estimated for the screw trap, we also caught sockeye fry, one sockeye smolt, 19 coho fry, four two-year old coho smolts, one ad-marked resident rainbow trout, 16 wild resident rainbow trout, and six cutthroat adults. Other species caught included lamprey, large-scale suckers, three-spine stickleback, sculpin, pumpkinseed, small-mouth bass, peamouth, dace, catfish, and Northern Pike Minnow.

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## **Appendix A: Daily Estimated Cedar River Wild Sockeye Fry Migration into Lake Washington, 2005.**

**Appendix A.** Daily estimated Cedar River wild sockeye fry migration into Lake Washington, 2005.

Date	Flow (cfs)	Nightly Catch		Estimated Daily Catch <sup>a</sup>	Trap Efficiency	Daily Wild Migration
		Actual	Estimate			
01/01	641					1,854
01/02	636					2,252
01/03	633					2,735
01/04	626					3,321
01/05	629					4,033
01/06	595					4,898
01/07	598					5,949
01/08	585					7,224
01/09	579					8,773
01/10	576					10,654
01/11	578					12,939
01/12	578					15,714
01/13	574					19,083
01/14	576					23,175
01/15	579					28,144
01/16	593					34,179
01/17	878					41,508
01/18	1,900					50,408
01/19	1,480					61,217
01/20	1,520					74,343
01/21	1,740	3,359	8,836	12,246	12.4%	98,849
01/22	1,740			11,185	12.4%	90,284
01/23	1,590	2,574	7,505	10,124	12.4%	81,720
01/24	1,540			13,945	12.4%	112,563
01/25	1,370			17,766	12.4%	143,406
01/26	1,120	21,486		21,587	12.4%	174,249
01/27	972	26,262		26,385	12.4%	212,978
01/28	839			26,703	12.4%	215,545
01/29	804			27,021	12.4%	218,111
01/30	797	27,212		27,339	12.4%	220,678
01/31	795	31,940		32,096	12.4%	259,076
02/01	708			33,325	12.4%	268,997
02/02	587			34,556	12.4%	278,933
02/03	496			35,787	12.4%	288,870
02/04	501			37,018	12.4%	298,806
02/05	480	38,085		38,249	12.4%	308,743
02/06	476			38,335	12.4%	309,437
02/07	468	38,174		38,420	12.4%	310,123
02/08	457	28,057		28,188	12.4%	227,531
02/09	454	29,440		29,590	12.4%	238,848
02/10	456	30,605		30,748	12.4%	248,195
02/11	485	36,073		36,242	12.4%	292,543
02/12	478			37,454	12.4%	302,326
02/13	474	38,453		38,666	12.4%	312,109
02/14	469	61,235		61,574	12.4%	497,021
02/15	466	43,852		43,985	12.4%	355,044

**Appendix A.** Daily estimated Cedar River wild sockeye fry migration into Lake Washington, 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Nightly Catch		Estimated Daily Catch <sup>a</sup>	Trap Efficiency	Daily Wild Migration
		Actual	Estimate			
02/16	465	38,814		39,029	12.4%	315,039
02/17	466	41,375		41,604	12.4%	335,824
02/18	470			45,639	12.4%	368,394
02/19	460			49,672	12.4%	400,949
02/20	459	53,409		53,705	12.4%	433,503
02/21	458	58,730		59,056	12.4%	476,695
02/22	457			68,376	12.4%	551,926
02/23	455			77,694	12.4%	627,140
02/24	453	86,532		87,012	12.4%	702,354
02/25	454	103,108		103,680	12.4%	836,897
02/26	421			165,263	12.4%	1,333,990
02/27	377	86,628	138,967	226,845	20.7%	1,097,745
02/28	352			305,021	20.7%	1,476,053
03/01	361	114,622	266,462	383,196	20.7%	1,854,356
03/02	351			329,922	20.7%	1,596,553
03/03	347	78,091	197,499	276,648	20.7%	1,338,751
03/04	341			225,964	20.7%	1,093,481
03/05	341	53,094	121,220	175,280	20.7%	848,212
03/06	341			231,824	20.7%	1,121,839
03/07	340	83,455	203,185	288,367	20.7%	1,395,461
03/08	337			257,771	20.7%	1,247,401
03/09	335	50,332	175,482	227,174	20.7%	1,099,337
03/10	334			193,112	20.7%	934,505
03/11	334	35,880	122,217	159,049	20.7%	769,667
03/12	334			124,577	20.7%	602,851
03/13	326	27,366	62,153	90,105	20.7%	436,035
03/14	334			63,837	20.7%	308,919
03/15	336	37,324		37,568	14.2%	263,931
03/16	343	34,108	26,508	61,013	14.2%	428,642
03/17	338	52,074	27,206	79,799	14.2%	560,622
03/18	336			58,365	14.2%	410,039
03/19	339	19,863	16,784	36,930	14.2%	259,449
03/20	341			46,643	14.2%	327,687
03/21	344	41,923	14,033	56,354	14.2%	395,911
03/22	341			44,200	14.2%	310,524
03/23	325	31,837		32,045	14.2%	225,130
03/24	325			33,401	14.2%	234,656
03/25	322	34,530		34,756	14.2%	244,176
03/26	413			33,056	14.2%	232,233
03/27	630	31,116		31,356	10.5%	298,107
03/28	506	15,769		15,891	10.5%	151,078
03/29	504			16,010	10.5%	152,210
03/30	456	16,015		16,129	10.5%	153,341
03/31	476	12,209		12,296	10.5%	116,900

**Appendix A.** Daily estimated Cedar River wild sockeye fry migration into Lake Washington, 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Nightly Catch		Estimated Daily Catch <sup>a</sup>	Trap Efficiency	Daily Wild Migration
		Actual	Estimate			
04/01	503	16,801		16,931	10.5%	160,966
04/02	491			15,102	10.5%	143,577
04/03	485			13,273	10.5%	126,189
04/04	471	11,363		11,444	10.5%	108,800
04/05	399	8,981		9,050	10.5%	86,040
04/06	380	10,907		10,991	10.5%	104,493
04/07	380			10,406	10.5%	98,932
04/08	390	9,744		9,819	10.5%	93,351
04/09	365			7,309	10.5%	69,488
04/10	361	4,758		4,798	10.5%	45,615
04/11	397	9,098		9,168	10.5%	87,162
04/12	394	5,650		5,697	10.5%	54,162
04/13	381			5,430	10.5%	51,624
04/14	375	5,115		5,162	10.5%	49,076
04/15	377			3,876	10.5%	36,850
04/16	596	2,558		2,588	10.5%	24,605
04/17	696			4,216	10.5%	40,082
04/18	537	5,789		5,842	10.5%	55,541
04/19	472			4,726	10.5%	44,931
04/20	429	3,571		3,610	10.5%	34,321
04/21	397			3,426	10.5%	32,572
04/22	382	3,206		3,241	10.5%	30,813
04/23	373			2,458	10.5%	23,369
04/24	383	1,655		1,673	10.5%	15,905
04/25	367			2,283	10.5%	21,705
04/26	356	2,860		2,891	10.5%	27,485
04/27	355			2,527	10.5%	24,025
04/28	352	2,137		2,162	10.5%	20,554
04/29	366			1,872	10.5%	17,797
04/30	385			1,583	10.5%	15,050
05/01	362	1,279		1,294	10.5%	12,302
05/02	363			1,244	10.5%	11,827
05/03	361			1,193	10.5%	11,342
05/04	347	1,129		1,142	10.5%	10,857
05/05	345			1,119	10.5%	10,639
05/06	340			1,096	10.5%	10,420
05/07	336			1,073	10.5%	10,201
05/08	334			1,050	10.5%	9,983
05/09	346	1,015		1,027	10.5%	9,764
05/10	411			930	10.5%	8,842
05/11	375			836	10.5%	7,948
05/12	364			742	10.5%	7,054
05/13	351			648	10.5%	6,161
05/14	350			554	10.5%	5,267
05/15	436	455		460	10.5%	4,373
<b>Season Total</b>		<b>1,803,082</b>	<b>1,388,057</b>	<b>5,981,730</b>		<b>37,027,961</b>

Notes: Shaded values represent pre-trapping migration estimated through extrapolation.

<sup>a</sup> Includes both actual and estimated nightly catch as well as estimated daytime catch.

**Appendix B: Estimated Chinook, Coho, and Cutthroat Daily Migration, Cedar River, 2005.**

**Appendix B.** Estimated chinook, coho, and cutthroat daily migrations, Cedar River 2005.

Date	Flow (cfs)	Est. Chinook Catch		Chinook Migration	Coho Migration	Cutthroat Migration
		Fry	Screw			
01/01	641			6		
01/02	636			8		
01/03	633			10		
01/04	626			14		
01/05	629			18		
01/06	595			24		
01/07	598			32		
01/08	585			42		
01/09	579			56		
01/10	576			74		
01/11	578			99		
01/12	578			131		
01/13	574			174		
01/14	576			232		
01/15	579			308		
01/16	593			409		
01/17	878			543		
01/18	1,900			721		
01/19	1,480			958		
01/20	1,520			1,273		
01/21	1,740	234		1,889		
01/22	1,740	210		1,695		
01/23	1,590	185		1,493		
01/24	1,540	179		1,445		
01/25	1,370	173		1,396		
01/26	1,120	167		1,348		
01/27	972	161		1,292		
01/28	839	134		1,082		
01/29	804	107		864		
01/30	797	80		646		
01/31	795	196		1,582		
02/01	708	166		1,340		
02/02	587	136		1,098		
02/03	496	106		856		
02/04	501	76		613		
02/05	480	46		371		
02/06	476	133		1,074		
02/07	468	219		1,768		
02/08	457	127		1,025		
02/09	454	160		1,292		
02/10	456	251		2,026		
02/11	485	179		1,445		
02/12	478	132		1,065		
02/13	474	84		678		
02/14	469	716		5,779		
02/15	466	596		4,811		

**Appendix B.** Estimated chinook, coho, and cutthroat daily migrations, Cedar River 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Est. Chinook Catch		Chinook Migration	Coho Migration	Cutthroat Migration
		Fry	Screw			
02/16	465	316		2,551		
02/17	466	334		2,696		
02/18	470	292		2,357		
02/19	460	250		2,018		
02/20	459	208		1,679		
02/21	458	225		1,816		
02/22	457	186		1,501		
02/23	455	148		1,195		
02/24	453	110		888		
02/25	454	130		1,049		
02/26	421	122		977		
02/27	377	113		542		
02/28	352	59		286		
03/01	361	5		24		
03/02	351	47		227		
03/03	347	89		431		
03/04	341	51		247		
03/05	341	12		58		
03/06	341	40		194		
03/07	340	67		324		
03/08	337	92		445		
03/09	335	116		561		
03/10	334	88		426		
03/11	334	60		290		
03/12	334	80		387		
03/13	326	100		484		
03/14	334	58		281		
03/15	336	16		112		
03/16	343	11		77		
03/17	338	37		260		
03/18	336	22		155		
03/19	339	6		42		
03/20	341	59		415		
03/21	344	112		787		
03/22	341	62		436		
03/23	325	12		84		
03/24	325	8		56		
03/25	322	3		21		
03/26	413	43		302		
03/27	630	82		780		
03/28	506	7		67		
03/29	504	10		95		
03/30	456	12		114		
03/31	476	0		0		



**Appendix B.** Estimated chinook, coho, and cutthroat daily migrations, Cedar River 2005 (cont'd.)

Date	Flow (cfs)	Est. Chinook Catch		Chinook Migration	Coho Migration	Cutthroat Migration
		Fry	Screw			
04/01	503	7		67	3	
04/02	491	6		57	33	
04/03	485	5		48	64	
04/03	485	5		48	64	
04/04	471	4		38	94	
04/05	399	6		57	87	
04/06	380	1		10	104	
04/07	380	1		10	122	
04/08	390	1		10	139	
04/09	365	3		29	156	
04/10	361	4		38	174	
04/11	397	8	27	249	191	203
04/12	394	10	55	506	209	81
04/13	381	6	8	74	226	81
04/14	375	1	18	166	292	81
04/15	377	20	10	92	195	122
04/16	596	39	184	1,694	2725	407
04/17	696	24	31	285	754	203
04/18	537	9	28	179	852	122
04/19	472	5	11	70	438	0
04/20	429	0	5	32	97	41
04/21	397	0	3	19	341	81
04/22	382	0	5	32	438	0
04/23	373	0	11	70	219	0
04/24	383	0	2	13	341	0
04/25	367	1	9	58	535	0
04/26	356	2	19	121	511	41
04/27	355	1	11	70	876	0
04/28	352	0	34	217	1509	0
04/29	366	0	51	326	949	0
04/30	385	0	92	588	3991	0
05/01	362	0	55	352	2409	81
05/02	363	1	81	532	1144	0
05/03	361	1	40	263	2555	122
05/04	347	1	85	559	3528	0
05/05	345	1	105	690	4039	41
05/06	340	1	96	631	2774	81
05/07	336	1	174	1,144	2652	0
05/08	334	1	111	730	1509	0
05/09	346	1	223	1,116	2190	0
05/10	411	1	49	245	4258	41
05/11	375	2	49	245	1995	41
05/12	364	3	175	876	2993	0
05/13	351	4	24	120	852	81
05/14	350	5	27	135	535	0
05/15	436	6	170	851	4234	0

**Appendix B.** Estimated chinook, coho, and cutthroat daily migrations, Cedar River 2005 (cont'd.)

Date	Flow (cfs)	Est. Chinook Catch		Chinook Migration	Coho Migration	Cutthroat Migration
		Fry	Screw			
05/16	563		61	414	3747	0
05/17	537		30	204	900	0
05/18	539		34	231	608	0
05/19	537		50	339	608	0
05/20	538		133	903	2652	41
05/21	543		75	509	560	0
05/22	447		124	842	243	0
05/23	394		141	1,227	706	0
05/24	369		115	1,001	633	41
05/25	353		45	392	657	81
05/26	343		29	252	900	41
05/27	335		19	165	925	0
05/28	330		19	165	706	0
05/29	335		33	287	195	0
05/30	334		57	1,051	365	0
05/31	329		122	2,249	414	41
06/01	333		90	1,659	292	41
06/02	332		61	1,124	195	41
06/03	326		146	2,691	438	0
06/04	321		29	535	170	0
06/05	320		53	977	170	81
06/06	320		92	3,891	170	81
06/07	318		48	2,030	170	41
06/08	318		151	6,386	316	0
06/09	314		102	4,314	243	41
06/10	304		12	507	122	0
06/11	302		22	930	49	41
06/12	316		23	973	49	41
06/13	308		30	905	24	0
06/14	299		30	905	49	0
06/15	296		40	1,206	49	0
06/16	287		32	965	0	0
06/17	311		15	452	24	0
06/18	291		19	573	24	0
06/19	286		22	663	0	0
06/20	280		17	432	0	41
06/21	277		12	305	0	0
06/22	279		39	992	0	41
06/23	283		23	585	24	0
06/24	279		6	153	49	0
06/25	278		12	305	49	81
06/26	278		21	534	24	41
06/27	279		17	432	0	0
06/28	278		6	153	24	81
06/29	276		9	229	0	81
06/30	273		5	127	0	0

**Appendix B.** Estimated chinook, coho, and cutthroat daily migrations, Cedar River 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Est. Chinook Catch		Chinook Migration	Coho Migration	Cutthroat Migration
		Fry	Screw			
07/01	266		7	178	24	0
07/02	247		10	254	0	0
07/03	262		6	153	0	41
07/04	240		3	76	0	41
07/05	239		5	127	0	0
07/06	269		7	178	0	122
07/07	240		5	127	0	81
07/08	240		8	203	0	41
07/09	242		3	76	0	41
07/10	237		3	76	0	0
07/11	272		2	51	0	41
07/12	288		2	51	0	0
07/13	284		1	25	0	0
07/14	280		2	51	0	0
07/15	272		1	25	0	0
07/16	271		2	51	0	41
07/17	270		2	51	24	41
07/18	257		2	51	0	0
07/19	226		1	25	0	0
07/20	219		1	25	0	0
07/21	218		0	0	0	0
07/22	225		1	25	0	41
07/23	219		0	0	0	0
07/24	218		0	0	0	0
07/25	215		0	0	0	0
07/26	213		0	0	0	0
07/27	202		0	0	0	41
07/28	190		0	0	0	0
<b>Season Totals</b>		<b>9,043</b>	<b>4,423</b>	<b>134,603</b>	<b>72643</b>	<b>3,542</b>

Note: Shade values represent pre-trapping migration estimated through extrapolation.

## **Appendix C: Estimated Sockeye, Chinook, Coho, and Cutthroat Daily Migrations, Bear Creek 2005.**

**Appendix C.** Estimated sockeye, chinook, coho, and cutthroat migrations, Bear Creek 2005.

<b>Date</b>	<b>Flow (cfs)</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Cutthroat</b>
02/01	51	232	0		
02/02	50	459	26		
02/03	49	686	52		
02/04	53	913	77		
02/05	70	1,145	103		
02/06	68	604	52		
02/07	72	634	72		
02/08	63	660	93		
02/09	59	604	72		
02/10	56	547	52		
02/11	54	490	26		
02/12	53	469	26		
02/13	53	449	26		
02/14	62	428	21		
02/15	56	686	10		
02/16	53	789	5		
02/17	52	892	0		
02/18	52	996	0		
02/19	52	872	5		
02/20	50	903	10		
02/21	49	929	15		
02/22	48	903	5		
02/23	47	1,186	15		
02/24	47	1,176	10		
02/25	46	1,166	5		
02/26	46	2,548	5		
02/27	45	3,931	5		
02/28	45	5,318	10		
03/01	46	2,151	5		
03/02	45	6,598	0		
03/03	44	6,066	10		
03/04	43	5,535	21		
03/05	42	6,005	15		
03/06	41	6,474	10		
03/07	40	6,938	10		
03/08	39	8,331	10		
03/09	39	7,289	10		
03/10	39	6,247	10		
03/11	39	5,200	10		
03/12	38	3,874	5		
03/13	37	2,548	0		
03/14	37	1,217	0		
03/15	38	14,026	5		

**Appendix C.** Estimated sockeye, chinook, coho, and cutthroat migrations, Bear Creek 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Sockeye	Chinook	Coho	Cutthroat
03/16	40	26,835	10		
03/17	44	14,181	10		
03/18	43	1,522	5		
03/19	43	2,007	5		
03/20	47	2,492	5		
03/21	49	2,971	0		
03/22	46	1,842	0		
03/23	45	1,692	5		
03/24	44	1,537	5		
03/25	43	1,259	0		
03/26	77	2,863	5		
03/27	196	4,462	5		
03/28	163	3,833	0		
03/29	152	2,306	0		
03/30	162	2,177	15		
03/31	134	2,048	31		
04/01	146	1,919	52		
04/02	119	1,666	36		
04/03	120	1,413	21		
04/04	117	1,166	5		
04/05	100	676	26		
04/06	87	717	15		
04/07	92	758	0		
04/08	107	476	3	12	7
04/09	86	315	3	30	7
04/10	74	209	0	24	11
04/11	97	139	3	54	7
04/12	88	92	8	101	22
04/13	80	61	5	65	22
04/14	77	40	8	161	86
04/15	73	27	13	30	39
04/16	155		5	0	14
04/17	156		10	42	7
04/18	138		5	173	32
04/19	115		18	351	108
04/20	96		21	494	143
04/21	83		8	429	108
04/22	72		24	970	165
04/23	65		31	668	233
04/24	62		16	847	186
04/25	57		43	2,024	548
04/26	52		60	1,840	68
04/27	49		88	2,368	111
04/28	44		90	2,535	122
04/29	42		137	1,223	115
04/30	44		73	1,574	54

**Appendix C.** Estimated sockeye, chinook, coho, and cutthroat migrations, Bear Creek 2005 (cont'd.).

<b>Date</b>	<b>Flow (cfs)</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Chinook</b>	<b>Coho</b>	<b>Cutthroat</b>
05/01	41		252	3,031	251
05/02	42		262	2,981	548
05/03	44		472	3,879	362
05/04	42		481	3,542	276
05/05	42		513	2,186	194
05/06	40		262	1,269	57
05/07	36		325	959	50
05/08	34		155	540	7
05/09	37		207	547	90
05/10	92		152	2,048	47
05/11	63		154	806	25
05/12	54		142	613	47
05/13	47		103	692	32
05/14	47		80	458	25
05/15	53		57	436	18
05/16	73		178	946	4
05/17	77		73	464	7
05/18	75		298	768	18
05/19	125		45	143	0
05/20	128		81	179	4
05/21	111		52	131	0
05/22	103		113	310	0
05/23	82		139	310	4
05/24	65		296	179	0
05/25	53		104	85	4
05/26	46		126	123	7
05/27	45		221	109	18
05/28	40		438	107	18
05/29	35		200	22	39
05/30	34		244	46	7
05/31	56		183	22	14
06/01	140		16	6	4
06/02	154		21	0	0
06/03	115		50	18	0
06/04	86		47	54	7
06/05	70		157	65	0
06/06	60		136	15	0
06/07	56		63	7	0
06/08	58		73	10	4
06/09	54		85	15	7
06/10	62		55	2	0
06/11	55		22	2	0
06/12	69		45	5	0
06/13	58		28	5	4
06/14	50		22	7	0
06/15	44		25	7	0

**Appendix C.** Estimated sockeye, chinook, coho, and cutthroat migrations, Bear Creek 2005 (cont'd.).

Date	Flow (cfs)	Sockeye	Chinook	Coho	Cutthroat
06/16	39		30	0	0
06/17	51		14	0	0
06/18	45		16	2	4
06/19	40		24	2	0
06/20	36		24	2	7
06/21	33		9	2	0
06/22	37		2	0	0
06/23	37		6	0	4
06/24	39		13	0	4
06/25	42		17	0	4
06/26	41		2	0	0
06/27	43		6	0	4
06/28	40		5	0	4
06/29	35		3	0	0
06/30	30		2	0	0
07/01	28		5	0	0
07/02	32		5	0	0
07/03	34		5	0	0
07/04	34		6	0	0
07/05	33		6	0	0
07/06	37		5	0	0
07/07	31		2	0	0
07/08	31		3	0	0
07/09	32		5	0	0
07/10	39		2	0	0
07/11	36		3	0	0
07/12	32		2	0	0
07/13	28		0	0	0
07/14	26		0	0	0
<b>Seasonal Total</b>		<b>202,815</b>	<b>9,317</b>	<b>43,725</b>	<b>4,441</b>

Note: Shade values represent migration estimated through extrapolation that would have occurred if fry trap operation continued.