

**2024 Annual Report for Direct Take to the National Marine
Fisheries Service (NMFS) on Mitchell Act Integrated Hatchery
Programs**

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Introduction

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) submitted Hatchery and Genetic Management Plans (HGMPs) to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) for the following hatchery programs; Kalama Hatchery wild summer steelhead, Kalama Hatchery late winter steelhead, North Toutle Hatchery fall Chinook, North Toutle Hatchery coho, Washougal River fall Chinook, Washougal River coho, and more recently Beaver Creek Hatchery coho. These programs requested direct take of natural-origin salmonids to use in integrated hatchery programs. The NMFS has determined that the seven HGMPs meet the 4(d) rule limit 5 criteria for take exemption of ESA-listed species. This report provides information to satisfy the implementation and reporting requirements of the take exemption. Additional information regarding the implementation of the HGMPs were provided to NMFS in semi-annual reports.

This report includes:

- The number of natural-origin Chinook salmon, coho salmon, and steelhead collected and used for broodstock,
- The impact of broodstock integration on the respective natural-origin population, with reference to the HGMP criteria for maximum impact levels,
- The total number of hatchery Chinook salmon, coho salmon, and steelhead released by brood year for the hatchery programs.

Summary of Information

Goals of the integrated program contained in the HGMPs include:

- Integration is achieved by using up to 30% of the returning adult natural-origin population,
- Broodstock for this program will be managed with a goal of having pNOB at least twice the value of pHOS,
- Broodstock are collected throughout the entire run to maintain run timing for the population.

Broodstock numbers for the seven integrated programs are shown in Table 1 for brood year 2023. This table includes the numbers of hatchery origin and natural-origin fish (NOR) used in the broodstock. The adult goals for all hatchery programs vary from year to year based on average fecundity, percent females, and mortality rates. Table 2 shows the total number of natural-origin fish taken for brood (including mortalities and non-viable females) compared to the total natural-origin population. The total natural-origin population is the estimated abundance of natural-origin spawners. Table 3 shows the numbers of fish released by species at Mitchell Act facilities during 2023 including the numbers marked and tagged. Additionally, after submittal to NOAA in January of 2024, several discrepancies were in each of the tables included in the 2022 direct take report. Appendix A provides updated tables with the corrected 2022 numbers.

Table 1. Broodstock numbers for integrated hatchery programs, brood year 2023.

Hatchery	Brood Year	Species	Stock	Spawned					pNOB
				Hatchery Adults	Hatchery Jacks	Wild Adults	Wild Jacks	Wild Total	
Beaver Creek	2023	Coho	Late	137	3	103	5	108	44%
North Toutle	2023	Coho	Early	23	1	81	1	82	77%
	2023	FCH		326	5	130	0	130	28%
Kalama Falls	2023	STHD	Winter Late ^{1/}	0	0	42	0	42	100%
	2023	STHD	Summer ^{1/}	26	0	66	0	66	72%
Washougal	2023	Coho	Late	43	-	43	0	43	50%
	2023	FCH		756	2	73	1	74	9%

^{1/} Includes fish that were live spawned

Table 2. Numbers of natural-origin fish taken for brood compared to the total population, brood year 2023.

Hatchery	Brood Year	Species	Stock	NOR Population ^{1/}	Number of NORs Collected ^{2/}	% of NOR Population Taken for Brood	30% of NOR Population
North Toutle	2023	Coho	Early	1835	89	5%	577
	2023	FCH		470	144	23%	184
Kalama Falls	2023	STHD	Winter late	558	43	7%	180
	2023	STHD	Summer	525	78	15%	158
Washougal	2023	Coho	Late	560	60	11%	168
	2023	FCH		1744	167	10%	523

^{1/} NOR population includes spawning population estimate only.

^{2/} Includes fish taken for brood, mortalities, and non-viable females.

Table 3. Numbers of salmon and steelhead released by mark and tag group during calendar year 2023.

Hatchery Program	Release Location	Species/Run	Release Start Date	Brood Year	AD + CWT Marked	Ad Only Marked	CWT ONLY	Unmarked	Total Released
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Coho salmon	4/17/2023	2021	43,740	185,000	260	0	229,000
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Winter steelhead	4/17/2023	2022	0	132,001	0	0	132,001
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Summer steelhead	4/17/2023	2022	0	28,287	0	0	28,287
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Grays River	Chum salmon	4/6/2023	2022	0	0	0	154,754	154,754
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Coho salmon	5/2/2023	2021	39,504	667,344	0	2,552	709,400
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Spring Chinook salmon	5/22/2023	2022	123,283	994	2,503	20	126,800
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Spring Chinook salmon	11/20/2023	2022	86,114	541	1,336	9	88,000
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Spring Chinook salmon	3/20/2023	2021	116,510	389,461	678	2,351	509,000
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Fall Chinook salmon	5/30/2023	2022	97,024	2,411,244	763	10,779	2,519,810
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Winter steelhead	3/8/2023	2022	0	45,058	0	272	45,330
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Summer steelhead	5/4/2023	2022	48,906	42,576	389	339	92,210
Kalama Falls Hatchery	Kalama River	Coho salmon	4/5/2023	2021	45,042	258,448	0	0	303,490
Kalama Falls Hatchery	Kalama River	Winter steelhead	5/3/2023	2022	85,212	2,644	2,645	82	90,583
Kliline Ponds	Salmon Creek	Winter Steelhead	5/9/2023	2022	0	40,251	0	145	40,396
North Toutle River	Green River	Fall Chinook salmon	7/3/2023	2022	97,347	751,205	362	19,080	867,994
North Toutle River	Green River	Coho salmon	5/1/2023	2021	40,805	48,373	395	647	90,220
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Fall Chinook salmon	6/9/2023	2022	397,320	3,724,963	1,104	11,580	4,134,967
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Coho salmon	4/11/2023	2021	37,507	147,667	42	339	185,555
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Summer steelhead	4/11/2023	2022	0	169,189	0	653	169,842
Skamania Hatchery	Klickitat River	Summer steelhead	4/24/2023	2022	0	90,694	0	0	90,694
Skamania Hatchery	Rock Creek	Winter steelhead	4/27/2023	2022	0	20,411	0	0	20,411
Skamania Hatchery	Washougal River	Winter steelhead	4/26/2023	2022	0	84,791	0	0	84,791
Skamania Hatchery	Washougal River	Summer steelhead	4/28/2023	2022	0	68,692	0	0	68,692
South Fork Toutle Ponds	South Fork Toutle	Summer steelhead	4/26/2023	2022	0	20,358	0	0	20,358
Washougal Hatchery	Washougal River	Fall Chinook salmon	7/1/2023	2022	97,193	1,086,329	293	3,159	1,186,974
Washougal Hatchery	Klickitat River	Coho salmon	4/3/2023	2021	69,589	2,378,744	188	7,158	2,455,679
Washougal Hatchery	Washougal River	Coho salmon	5/8/2023	2021	44,537	64,184	112	734	109,567

Appendix A

Several discrepancies were found in all three tables in this Mitchell Act annual report (submitted January 2024). Here we provide an updated tables with the corrected numbers (in italicized bold font).

Table A1. Broodstock numbers for integrated hatchery programs, brood year 2022.

Hatchery	Brood Year	Species	Stock	Spawned					pNOB
				Hatchery Adults	Hatchery Jacks	Wild Adults	Wild Jacks	Wild Total	
Beaver Creek	2022	Coho	Late	150	0	138	5	143	49%
North Toutle	2022	Coho	Early	37	1	81	1	82	68%
	2022	FCH		366	4	139	6	145	28%
Kalama Falls	2022	STHD	Winter late ^{1/}	0	0	63	0	63	100%
	2022	STHD	Summer ^{1/}	43	0	28	0	28	39%
Washougal	2022	Coho	Late	48	0	48	0	48	50%
	2022	FCH		908	7	13	0	13	1%

^{1/} Includes fish that were live spawned

Table A2. Numbers of natural-origin fish taken for brood compared to the total population, brood year 2022.

Hatchery	Brood Year	Species	Stock	NOR Population ^{1/}	Number of NORs Collected ^{2/}	% of NOR Population Taken for Brood	30% of NOR Population
Beaver Creek	2022	Coho	Late	1,001	186	16%	356
North Toutle	2022	Coho	Early	2,422	98	4%	756
	2022	FCH		476	227	32%	211
Kalama Falls	2022	STHD	Winter late	778	66	8%	253
	2022	STHD	Summer	178	33	19%	53
Washougal	2022	Coho	Late	830	48	4%	249
	2022	FCH		927	18	1%	278

^{1/} NOR population includes spawning population estimate only.

^{2/} Includes fish taken for brood, mortalities, and non-viable females.

Table A3. Numbers of salmon and steelhead released by mark and tag group during calendar year 2022.

Project	Release Location	Species/Run	Release Start Date	Brood Year	AD + CWT Marked	Ad Only Marked	CWT ONLY	Unmarked	Total Released
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Coho	4/19/2022	2020	44,408	120,591	268	5	165,272
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Winter Steelhead	4/19/2022	2021	0	134,676	0	1,636	136,312
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Beaver Creek	Summer Steelhead	4/19/2022	2021	0	29,545	0	148	29,693
Beaver Creek Hatchery	Grays River	Chum	3/23/2022	2021	0	0	0	166,562	166,562
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Coho	4/29/2022	2020	40,984	112,124	247	645	154,000
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Spring Chinook	2/18/2022	2020	18,700	343	658	12	19,713
Deep River Net Pens	Deep River Net Pens	Spring Chinook	5/25/2022	2021	218,617	384,440	2,076	3,867	609,000
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Spring Chinook	3/1/2022	2020	126,115	393,461	1,026	2,100	522,702
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Fall Chinook	5/23/2022	2021	92,473	2,530,816	3,453	2,911	2,629,653
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Winter Steelhead	5/15/2022	2021	0	46,855	0	636	47,491
Fallert Creek Hatchery	Kalama River	Summer Steelhead	3/1/2022	2021	48,924	44,290	558	436	94,208
Kalama Falls Hatchery	Kalama River	Coho	4/1/2022	2020	44,115	258,152	159	1,557	303,983
Kalama Falls Hatchery	Kalama River	Winter Steelhead	4/15/2022	2021	90,908	558	505	2	91,973
Klineline Ponds	Salmon Creek	Winter Steelhead	4/19/2022	2021	0	39,517	0	71	39,588
North Toutle River	Green River	Fall Chinook	6/26/2022	2021	99,818	966,582	755	7,794	1,074,949
North Toutle River	Green River	Coho	5/2/2022	2020	33,131	56,417	274	500	90,322
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Fall Chinook	6/13/2022	2021	338,852	3,779,399	4,012	44,741	4,167,004
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Coho	4/11/2022	2020	39,198	178,302	114	518	218,132
Ringold Springs Hatchery	Springs Creek	Summer Steelhead	3/25/2022	2021	0	144,343	0	813	145,156
Skamania Hatchery	Klickitat River	Summer Steelhead	4/25/2022	2021	0	90,883	0	0	90,883
Skamania Hatchery	Rock Creek	Winter Steelhead	4/15/2022	2021	0	20,018	0	0	20,018
Skamania Hatchery	Washougal River	Winter Steelhead	4/18/2022	2021	0	85,364	0	162	85,526
Skamania Hatchery	Washougal River	Summer Steelhead	4/18/2022	2021	0	70,454	0	397	70,851
South Fork Toutle Ponds	South Fork Toutle	Summer Steelhead	4/15/2022	2021	0	20,369	0	82	20,451
Washougal Hatchery	Washougal River	Fall Chinook	6/22/2022	2021	101,038	1,124,872	406	4,518	1,230,834
Washougal Hatchery	Klickitat River	Coho	3/28/2022	2020	67,036	2,377,082	541	19,170	2,463,829
Washougal Hatchery	Washougal River	Coho	5/2/2022	2020	44,129	58,133	173	345	102,780