

MEMORANDUM FOR THE RECORD 19-IH-14

SUBJECT: One adult Chinook mortality found on July 29, 2019, at north fish ladder.

- A. Species – *Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*.
- B. Origin – Unknown.
- C. Length – About 30”
- D. Marks and tags – clipped
- E. Marks and injuries found on carcass – None. The fish was in the advanced stage of decomposition.
- F. Location – The fish was on the walkway grating above and between the picket leads at the north ladder, next to the count slot.
- G. Cause and time of death – The fish had been dead for several days. The fish may have got caught above the window cleaning brush as the brush rose up, or it may have jumped over the fence and got stranded on the grating.
- H. Future and preventative measures – Fish facility staff will monitor the north fish ladder count station for jumping fish and install netting as necessary. We will look at the area above the count slot to assess if any modifications should be made to prevent fish that may get caught above the brush from stranding. The incidence of fish stranding above the count slot and picketed lead area has been rare and last occurred five years ago.
- I. Pictures included – none.

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