



Weekly Rep	Weekly Report												
McNary Dam August 29, 2022													
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Re:	USACE Walla Walla District Biological Services: Juvenile Fish Bypass System at McNary Dam												

For the 2022 season, sampling began 1 month earlier than in 2021.

During the fish collection and bypass season, the 24-hour fish collection day is based upon a 0700 to 0700 schedule. The ending date is used to identify each 24-hour period.

Fish sample processing continued with an every-other-day schedule this week. This every-other-day schedule is expected to continue throughout the remainder of the 2022 season.

River Conditions

River conditions are recorded daily for 24 hours from 0700 to 0700 hours. Average river flow was 173.8 kilo cubic feet per second (kcfs). Average spill was 29.1 kcfs. Average river temperature was 71.1°F (Table 1).

Operations

Due to elevated river temperatures, the "sawtooth pattern" (operate every other unit) unit operation mode begun on July 24 continued through this report period to reduce thermal stress to juvenile salmonids passing through the collection system.

Collection and Bypass Overview

Collection for condition sampling occurred every other day. Unclipped subyearling Chinook salmon were the dominant salmonid species collected. An estimated 19,503 juvenile salmonids were collected and 19,485 bypassed during this reporting period (Table 2). Figure 1 compares seasonal collection with average daily river flow to date. There were 13 sample mortalities and 5 facility mortalities, for a total of 18 mortalities during this report period (Tables 2, 3, and 4).

Sampling

There were 388 juvenile salmonids sampled and 375 examined. Fish examined were 374 unclipped subyearling Chinook salmon, and 1 clipped sockeye salmon (Table 5). The average weekly sample rate was 2.0% (Table 6). The weekly descaling rate averaged 2.1% (Table 7).

Juvenile Research

Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission collected 10 juvenile lamprey fin clips for the week, for a total of 671 fin clips for the season, for the Columbia River Inter-Tribal Fish Commission. All juvenile lamprey sampled for fin clips were released unharmed.

Facility Fallbacks

One clipped adult Chinook salmon in good condition, 1 clipped adult Chinook salmon in poor condition, 1 unclipped jack Chinook salmon, 4 unclipped prespawn steelhead in good condition, 1 clipped and 1 unclipped sockeye salmon in good condition, and 1 unclipped coho salmon in good condition came across the separator during this week's reporting period. There were no fallback mortalities. The season adult salmonid fallback total is 302. Fallback condition, mortality, and fin clip information is included in Table 8.

Adult Incidentals at the Separator

One smallmouth bass, 279 shad, and 2 adult lamprey crossed the separator during the week (Table 9).

Juvenile Lamprey

An estimated 550 juvenile Pacific lamprey were collected and 550 were bypassed this week; all were macrophthalmia. There were no mortalities during this reporting period (Table 10).

Siberian Prawn

No Siberian prawn were sampled at McNary Dam this season.

Gas Bubble Trauma

This week, sampling was reduced to once per week due to high water temperatures and the resultant risk of the possibility of increased mortality. Gas Bubble Trauma (GBT) monitoring was conducted once this week. Collection occurred on August 22, with corresponding data day on August 23. There was 100 unclipped subyearling Chinook salmon examined for the week. No GBT was found in sampled salmonids. There were no GBT mortalities. For the season, 3,516 salmonids have been examined (Table 11).

Season Summary

Season year-to-date collection is summarized in Table 12.

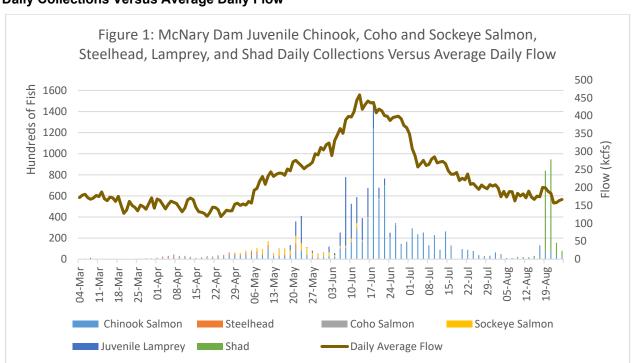


Figure 1: McNary Dam Juvenile Chinook, Coho, and Sockeye Salmon, Steelhead, Lamprey, and Shad Daily Collections Versus Average Daily Flow

Table 1: Average Daily and Weekly River Flows and Temperatures

Date	Day	River Temperature (°F)	Average River Flow (kcfs)	Average Powerhouse Flow (kcfs)	Average Spill (kcfs)	Percent Spill
19-Aug	Fri	70.3	199.0	141.3	52.9	26.6%
20-Aug	Sat	71.0	189.1	146.9	37.5	19.8%
21-Aug	Sun	71.0	184.0	147.0	32.3	17.6%
22-Aug	Mon	71.2	156.6	131.6	20.3	13.0%
23-Aug	Tue	71.3	157.9	133.0	20.2	12.8%
24-Aug	Wed	71.4	163.3	138.4	20.2	12.4%
25-Aug	Thu	71.4	166.5	141.8	20.0	12.0%
We	ekly Average	71.1	173.8	140.0	29.1	16.4%

	Yearling	Chinook	Suby	earling Chin	ook	Steel	head	С	oho	So	ckeye	Total
	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Fry	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Total
Collected	0	0	0	19,453	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	19,503
Collected to Date	84,061	12,467	379,925	306,571	12,180	36,620	9,087	4,754	10,509	2,500	78,064	936,738
Bypassed	0	0	0	19,435	0	0	0	0	0	50	0	19,485
Bypassed to Date	84,013	12,458	379,894	306,480	12,178	36,611	9,084	4,754	10,507	2,500	78,050	936,529
Sampled	0	0	0	387	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	388
Examined	0	0	0	374	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	375
Descaled	0	0	0	8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8
Weekly Descaled %	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	2.1%
Sample Mortality	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	13
Facility Mortality	0	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5
Total Mortality	0	0	0	18	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18

Table 2: Weekly Collection Summary

			earling	Chin	ook		Subyearling Chinook						Stee	lhoo	4		6	ho			500	kovo			
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Date	Day	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
19-Aug	Fri	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	5.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	6	5.0%
20-Aug	Sat																								
21-Aug	Sun	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.1%
22-Aug	Mon																								
23-Aug	Tue	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	4.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	4.3%
24-Aug	Wed																								
25-Aug	Thu	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.8%
Weekly	Total	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	3.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	40	0.49/
Species	Total		0	(0.0%		13			3.4%			0	(0.0%		0	(0.0%		0	0	.0%	13	3.4%
Seas	son to Date	41	1.1%	8	1.3%	19	0.7%	68	1.1%	2	1.1%	4	0.2%	2	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	13	0.7%	157	0.9%

Table 3: Daily Numbers and Percentages of Sample Mortalities

		Y	earling	Chir	nook		Subyearling Chinook						Steel	hea	d		Co	ho			Soc	keye			
		(Clip	U	Inclip	(Clip	U	nclip		Fry		Clip	U	nclip		Clip	U	nclip		Clip	U	nclip	Daily	/ Total
Date	Day	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
19-Aug	Fri	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	9	0.1%
20-Aug	Sat																								
21-Aug	Sun	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	0.1%
22-Aug	Mon																								
23-Aug	Tue	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	0.1%
24-Aug	Wed																								
25-Aug	Thu	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.1%
Weekl	y Total	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	18	0.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	0.4%
Specie	s Total		0	(0.0%		18		(0.1%			0	(0.0%		0	(0.0%		0	0	.0%	18	0.1%
Sea	son to Date	48	0.1%	9	0.1%	31	0.0%	91	0.0%	2	0.0%	9	0.0%	3	0.0%	0	0.0%	2	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	0.0%	209	0.0%

Table 4: Daily Numbers and Percentages of Total Mortalities

		Yearling	Chinook	Subyearlir	ng Chinook	Stee	lhead	Co	oho	Soc	keye	Total
Date	Day	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	
19-Aug	Fri	0	0	0	115	0	0	0	0	0	0	115
20-Aug	Sat											
21-Aug	Sun	0	0	0	139	0	0	0	0	0	0	139
22-Aug	Mon											
23-Aug	Tue	0	0	0	66	0	0	0	0	1	0	67
24-Aug	Wed											
25-Aug	Thu	0	0	0	54	0	0	0	0	0	0	54
We	eekly Total	0	0	0	374	0	0	0	0	1	0	275
Spe	ecies Total		0	3	74		0		0		1	375

Table 5: Daily Fish Examined

Table 6: Daily Sample Rate

Date	Day	Rate
19-Aug	Fri	2.0%
20-Aug	Sat	
21-Aug	Sun	2.0%
22-Aug	Mon	
23-Aug	Tue	2.0%
24-Aug	Wed	
25-Aug	Thu	2.0%
Weel	kly Average	2.0%

			Yearling Chinook Subyearling Chinool					nook		Steell	nead			Co	oho			Sock	keye				
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Date	Day	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%	#	%
19-Aug	Fri	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.9%
20-Aug	Sat																						
21-Aug	Sun	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.2%
22-Aug	Mon																						
23-Aug	Tue	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	4.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	4.5%
24-Aug	Wed																						
25-Aug	Thu	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.9%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	1.9%
Weekl	y Total	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	2.1%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	8	2.1%
Season	to Date	136	3.7%	26	4.3%	11	0.4%	43	0.7%	221	12.0%	31	8.3%	3	1.6%	11	4.9%	6	15.4%	56	2.8%	544	3.1%

Table 7: Numbers and Percentages of Daily Fish Descaled

	Chir	nook	Chi	nook	Stee	lhead	Stee	lhead					
	Ac	lult	Jack P		Pre-s	pawn	K	elt	Soc	keye	Co	oho	Condition
Condition	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Total
Good	1			1		4			1	1		1	9
Fair													
Poor	1												1
Dead													
Weekly Total	2			1		4			1	1		1	10
Species Total	:	2	1			4			:	2		1	10
Season to Date	23	18	5	4	24	48	6	24	3	137		10	302

Table 8: Condition of Adult Fallbacks

Species	Weekly Count	Season Total
Carp	0	40
Catfish	0	2
Chiselmouth / peamouth	0	0
Kokanee / Trout	0	2
Bass, Smallmouth	1	11
Bluegill and Pumpkinseed	0	0
Northern Pikeminnow	0	0
Lamprey	2	4
Sturgeon	0	6
Shad (Adult)	279	724
Sucker	0	17
Yellow Perch	0	4
Walleye	0	61
Whitefish	0	5
Other species not listed	0	0
Total	282	876

Table 9: Adult Incidentals at the Separator

Date	Day	Macrophthalmia Sampled	Ammocoete Sampled	Total Sampled	Total Collected	Total Bypassed	Total Mortalities
19-Aug	Fri	4	0	4	200	200	0
20-Aug	Sat						
21-Aug	Sun	2	0	2	100	100	0
22-Aug	Mon						
23-Aug	Tue	2	0	2	100	100	0
24-Aug	Wed						
25-Aug	Thu	3	0	3	150	150	0
W	eekly Total	11	0	11	550	550	0
Season to	Date Total	4,327	7	4,334	297,754	297,619	83

Table 10: Daily Juvenile Lamprey

	Yearl	ing Chinook	Subyea	rling Chinook	St	eelhead	Deilu
Date	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Daily Total
Collected							
GBT Signs							
Mortality							
23-Aug							
Collected				100			100
GBT Signs				0			0
Mortality				0			0
Weekly Collected				100			
Weekly GBT Signs				0			
Weekly Mortality				0			

Table 11: Gas Bubble Trauma Summary

	Yearling Chinook		Subyearling Chinook			Steelhead		Coho		Sockeye		
	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Fry	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Clip	Unclip	Total
Collection												
Collected to Date (2022)	84,061	12,467	379,925	306,571	12,180	36,620	9,087	4,754	10,509	2,500	78,064	936,738
Average Collection to Date (2018-2022)	195,134	49,737	212,392	257,020	27,751	55,390	13,280	11,791	18,042	4,750	152,844	998,131
Total Mortalities												
Total Mortalities to Date (2022)	48	9	31	91	2	9	3		2		14	209
% Total Mortalities to Date (2022)	0.1%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%		0.0%		0.0%	0.0%
Average Facility Mortality to Date (2018-2022)	26	14	45	64	16	6	2	1	2	8	91	275
% Average Facility Mortality to Date (2018-2022)	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%	0.1%	0.0%
Descaling												
Descaling to Date (2022)	136	26	11	43		221	31	3	11	6	56	544
% Descaling to Date (2022)	3.7%	4.3%	0.4%	0.7%		12.0%	8.3%	1.6%	4.9%	15.4%	2.8%	3.1%
Average Descaling to Date (2018-2022)	146	46	24	57		152	27	7	12	7	56	534
% Average Descaling to Date (2018-2022)	4.0%	3.8%	1.2%	1.2%		10.5%	7.5%	3.1%	3.5%	10.1%	2.8%	3.4%

Table 12: Season Summary Year-to-Date