

# The Dalles Dam Fishway Status Report

3/9/2015

Inspection Period: 3/1/2015 to 3/7/2015

## THE DALLES DAM



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*Fishways are inspected twice daily plus one SCADA inspection*

The Dalles Dam	Inspections Out of Criteria	Criteria Limit	Total Number of Inspections: 14		Temperature: 42.0 F
			Comments		Secchi: 3.6 feet
<b>NORTH FISHWAY</b>					
Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'			
Weir crest depth	0	1.0' ± 0.1'			
Entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Daily differentials and weir depths, see AVGS tab.		
Entrance weir N1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	9.6	
Entrance weir N2	0	Closed	Bulkhead installed.		
PUD Intake differential	0	≤ 0.5'	Trash rack raked 3/5.		
<b>EAST FISHWAY</b>					
Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
Removable weirs 154-157	10	Per forebay	Auto adjusts 1' increments. Weir 156 off by 0.2'. Maintenance notified.		
Weir 158-159 differential	0	1.0' ± 0.1'			
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'			
Weir crest depth	0	1.0' ± 0.1'			
Junction pool weir JP6	0	depth (≥ 7')	Average	12.0	
East entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.5	
Entrance weir E1	0	No criteria	Average	5.5	Manually adjusted as needed.
Entrance weir E2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	11.7	
Entrance weir E3	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	11.7	
Collection channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.9	
Transportation channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	3.0	
North channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.3	
South channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	3.5	
West entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.5	
Entrance weir W1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	11.4	
Entrance weir W2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	9.2	
Entrance weir W3	0	No criteria	Average	-0.3	Manually adjusted as needed.
South entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.5	
Entrance weir S1	2	depth (≥ 8')	Average	12.0	OOC 7.9'
Entrance weir S2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	11.6	S2 auto failure, maintenance notified. S1 maintaining diff. criteria
<b>JUVENILE PASSAGE</b>					
Sluiceway operation	0	Units 1, 18	4 gates open. 6 gates will be open Apr 1 over units 1,8,18		
Turbine trashrack drawdown	0	<1.5', wkly	Resume on March 1		
Spill volume	On Seal.				
Spill Pattern					
Turbine Unit Priority.	0	per FPP	West to east block priority starts Apr 1		
Turbine 1% Efficiency	0	per FPP			

**OTHER ISSUES:****Birds/Sea lions:**

Bird observation data collected once daily. Refer to Avian Zone Map.

**Operations:**

Weekly weir calibrations to resumed 3/1. All in criteria.

South entrance weirs auto failure. Operating in manual mode.

Gatewell drawdown completed on 3/2. All values were within criteria.

**Current Outages:**

T8 (MU15 & MU16) de-rated to 85MW ops through Sept 2017.

MU8 out of service 2/2/2015 to 3/26/2015 for overhaul.

Navigation out of service for annual maintenance 3/7 - 3/21/2015. Upstream gate area dewatered. No fish found.

**Maintenance:**

Half of east fishway entrance weirs rehabbed with new wheels. 1 of 8 east entrance weir guides rehabbed.

Three collection channel dewatering pumps on deck for rehab, repair delayed due to lack of funding. Two of 6 collection channel pumps remain stuck.

FCQ7 electrical panel for east exit upgrade prep work completed. Planning and parts purchase underway pending funding. Installation next outage season.

*Future repair plans*; Upgrade east exit weirs 154-157, removal/permanent closure of collection channel diffusers, repair 6 east and 7 north failed diffusers,

Fish related but non-fish funded items; spillway evaluation, spillway crane rehab, spillgate 9 wire rope replacement, HDC update fish unit reliability

assessment, planning upgrade fish unit breakers and fish unit transformer replacement.

All spillway items on Critical Infrastructure list and Unfunded Requirement list.

**Studies:**

North fishladder rock stabilization development team site visit completed. Alternatives for repair to follow. Updates to be provided to FPOM.

Investigating PIT tag 15 mile creek steelhead overshooting The Dalles for possible sluiceway operation in Feb.

North fish count station mods completed for visibility improvement and use of video. March testing underway.

EFL Backup; Plans/Specs underway. 1400cfs field test completed. Good east entrance conditions. Possible backflow problem in collection channel.

PUD 'freedom' second turbine; Field test proposal summer 2015 proposed through FPOM and SRWG. Rock plunge pool inspected with no problems found.

**Research/Contractors:**

University of Idaho maintaining antennas. Continuing downloads of winter steelhead.

Research approval letters forwarded for; ODFW forbay Northern Pikeminnow Management Program, PSMFC sampling at PUD intake structure, University of Idaho monitoring fallback movements of steelhead outfitted with radio tags and adult Pacific Lamprey outfitted with half-duplex PIT tags, PSMFC for monitoring and maintaining thin walled PIT tag antennas and computer equipment and USGS total dissolved gas monitoring .

Approved by: Ron Twiner

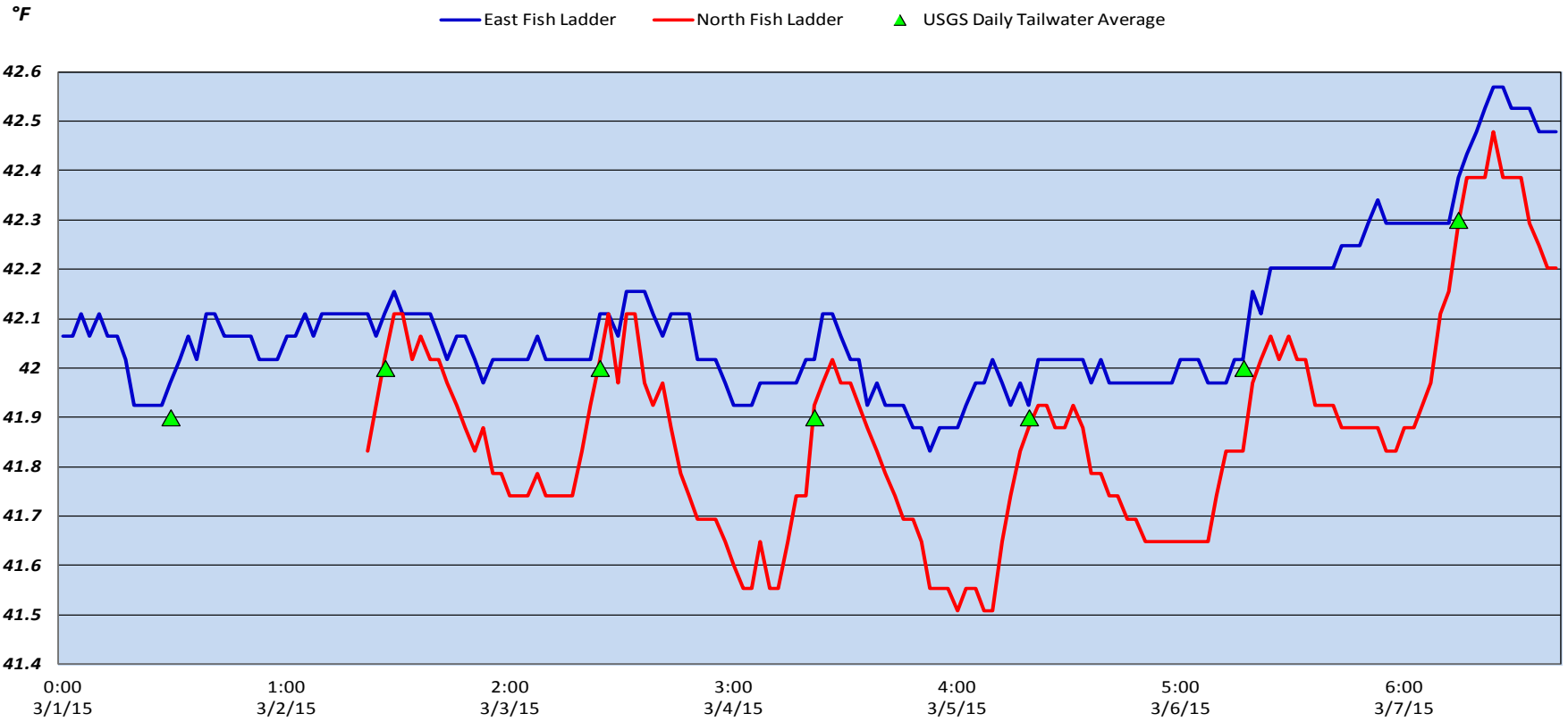
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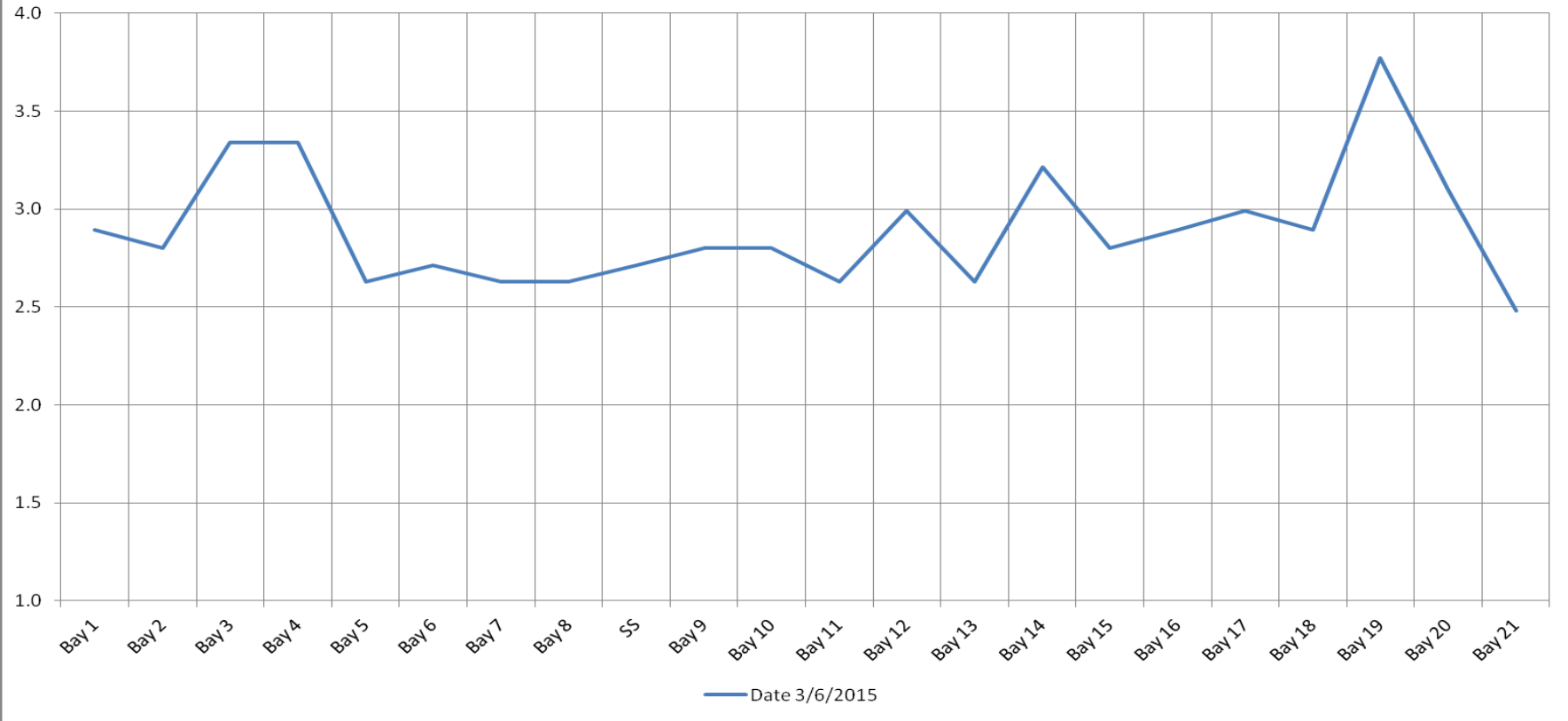
Avian lines in yellow, zones in red, river flow in blue.



### The Dalles Dam Adult Fish Ladder River/Water Temperatures



The Dalles Dam Collection Channel Velocites (In criteria 1.5 - 4.0 fps)



Temperatures

41.9
42.0
42.0
41.9
41.9
42.0
42.3
AVG: 42.0

Sun  
Mon  
Tue  
Wed  
Thurs  
Fri  
Sat  
AVG

Secchi:

3.0
3.0
3.5
4.0
3.5
3.5
4.5
AVG 3.6

**The Dalles Dam Daily Readings and Averages for  
Temperatures, Secchi, Entrances, and Spill**

= Out of criteria

North Ladder			East Ladder												Spill KCFS
North Entrance		East Entrance						West Entrance			South Entrance				
Date:	Differential	N1 Depth	Differential	E1 Depth	E2 Depth	E3 Depth	JP 6	Differential	W1 Depth	W2 Depth	W3 Depth	Differential	S1 Depth	S2 Depth	
3/1/15	1.2	9.9	1.6	5.0	11.3	11.4	10.5	1.4	11.5	11.5		1.5	13.2		
	1.3	9.8	1.5	5.0	11.5	11.4	10.1	1.3	11.4	11.4		1.5	12.8		
3/2/15	1.3	9.8	1.5	5.0	11.6	11.6	11.2	1.4	11.5	11.6	-0.7	1.4	13.3		
	1.3	9.8	1.4	4.9	11.6	11.5	8.4	1.1	11.4	11.4		1.5	11.7		
3/3/15	1.3	9.8	1.6	5.0	11.5	11.5	11.2	1.4	11.4	11.5	-0.6	1.4	13.4		
	1.5	9.3	1.7	4.9	11.4	11.5	9.0	1.2	11.5	11.5	-1.8	1.4	12.4		
3/4/15	1.1	9.4	1.7	5.1	11.6	11.6	12.6	1.6	11.5	11.6		1.3	14.7		
	1.9	9.3	1.4	6.1	12.0	12.1	11.2	1.4	11.5	11.4	-0.6	1.3	13.5		
3/5/15	1.4	9.6	1.4	6.0	11.9	12.0	12.3	1.4	11.4	11.4	0.4	1.6	12.0	14.0	
	1.4	9.6	1.5	6.0	12.0	12.0	10.9	1.3	11.5	11.6		1.4	7.9	12.0	
3/6/15	1.5	9.4	1.4	5.9	11.9	12.0	13.8	1.6	11.3	11.3	1.2	1.5	9.2	11.0	
	1.5	9.5	1.5	6.0	12.0	12.0	12.1	1.5	11.4	11.4	0.3	1.5	8.7	10.9	
3/7/15	1.4	9.6	1.4	6.0	11.9	11.9	12.1	1.4	11.4	11.5		1.8	8.5	10.9	
	1.4	9.7	1.4	5.9	11.9	11.9	11.7	1.4	11.6			1.6	7.9	11.0	
AVG:	1.5	9.6	1.5	5.5	11.7	11.7	12.0	1.5	11.4	9.2	-0.3	1.5	12.0	11.6	

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