

# The Dalles Dam Fishway Status Report

10/31/2015

Inspection Period: 10/25/2015 - 10/31/2015

## 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: 21		Temperature: 61.2 F
			Comments		Secchi: 5.0 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'	Average	1.4	
Entrance weir N1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	8.6	
Entrance weir N2	0	Closed	Bulkhead installed.		
PUD Intake differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
<b>EAST FISHWAY</b>					
Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
Removable weirs 154-157	0	Per forebay	Auto adjusts 1' increments.		
Weir 158-159 differential	0	1.0' ± 0.1'	out criteria at 0.8'. Electricians corrected.		
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'	Picket leads raked as needed.		
Weir crest depth	0	1.0' ± 0.1'			
Junction pool weir JP6	0	depth (≥ 7')	Average	9.1	Weir pulled to achieve criteria with low tailwater
East entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.6	
Entrance weir E1	0	No criteria	Average	No criteria; manually adjusted as needed.	
Entrance weir E2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	11.3	low tailwater 7.9 and 7.8 corrected.
Entrance weir E3	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	10.2	
Collection channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.9	
Transportation channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.6	
North channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	3.1	
South channel velocity	1	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	4.5	
West entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.5	
Entrance weir W1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	9.1	
Entrance weir W2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	9.1	
Entrance weir W3	0	No criteria	Average	No criteria; manually adjusted as needed.	
South entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average	1.5	
Entrance weir S1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	8.3	
Entrance weir S2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	8.3	
<b>JUVENILE PASSAGE</b>					
Sluiceway operation	0	Units 1, 8, 18	Sluiceways 1-1,2,3, 8-1,2, and 18-2 open.		
Turbine trashrack drawdown	0	<1.5', wkly	Range: 0.1 - 0.4'		
Spill volume	NA	40%+1%	Average	Spill closed on 9/1/15	
Spill Pattern	NA	per FPP			
Turbine Unit Priority	0	per FPP			
Turbine 1% Efficiency	0	per FPP			

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

Bird observation data collected once daily. Refer to Avian Zone map. No sea lion sightings.

USDA hazing contract proposed changes for 2016; boat hazing 5 day / week through May and part of June, depending on available funding.

**Operations:**

Turbine trashrack drawdown completed 10/27/15. Forebay/gatewell differential in criteria.

Fishway calibration completed 10/29/15, north entrance and tailwater off but not out of criteria

Fish Counts end for the season on 10/31.

Investigating operational changes needed for potential large oil spill in Columbia. Fishway protection measures to be evaluated. Plan to be presented to FPOM when complete. Permanent boom purchased for east fishway exit (FPOM approved). Working through installation options.

**Eight salmonids observed in fish lock. Efforts continue for removal, however safe access is not achievable. Future preventative measures being discussed. Updated MFR provided to FPOM. Refer to pic tab for fishlock schematic.**

**Current Outages:**

Transformer T8 (MU15 & MU16) de-rated to 85MW ops through 9/14/2017

**Maintenance:**

On 10/27, the ice and trash sluiceway was closed for 30 mins. to reinstall the tarp covering, coordinated through FPOM.

Two failed collection channel dewatering pumps remaining on deck for repair. Awaiting funding for parts purchase.

Entrance/Exit weir sensor and PLC replacement being investigated. On budget list.

East exit weir electrical panel FCQ7 parts ordered. Installation planned for next 2 outage seasons, however funding not presently available.

Updating inventory assessment on fish unit spare parts.

Purchasing new dewatering pump motor for north fishway entrance.

Investigating cost and feasibility for 154 -157 weir replacement through project labor.

Preparing workload for upcoming winter maintenance period; entrance weir wheel replace, entrance weir guide repair, exit/entrance sensor upgrades.

*Long Term repair plans*; removal/permanent closure of collection channel diffusers, repair north failed diffusers,

*Fish related /non-fish funded items*; spillway evaluation, spillway crane rehab, spillgate 9 trunnion pin replace, sluiceway chaingate rehab (approx 50% complete), fish unit breaker replace (in planning), and transformer replace (in planning).

All spillway items on Critical Infrastructure list and Unfunded Requirement list. Spill gate 9 repair on hold awaiting funding.

**Studies:**

North fishladder rehab study for rock wall 90% DDR review. Construction 2017/18. FPOM review ongoing.

Fish count video at north count station recording / testing underway. Result review through FPOM.

East fishladder emergency backup construction this winter delayed. Winter fishway dewater schedule now adjusted to fit in water work period.

Crane rail replacement on tailrace and intake 2016-2017. Site visit Nov 3. First week august rail removal near east exit being coordinated through FPOM.

Transformer replacement planning underway. Plans to eliminate fish unit TA transformers. Work to start 2017.

North spill attraction flow proposal continues to be reviewed through FPOM. Threshold for daily passage amount to use spill remains unresolved.

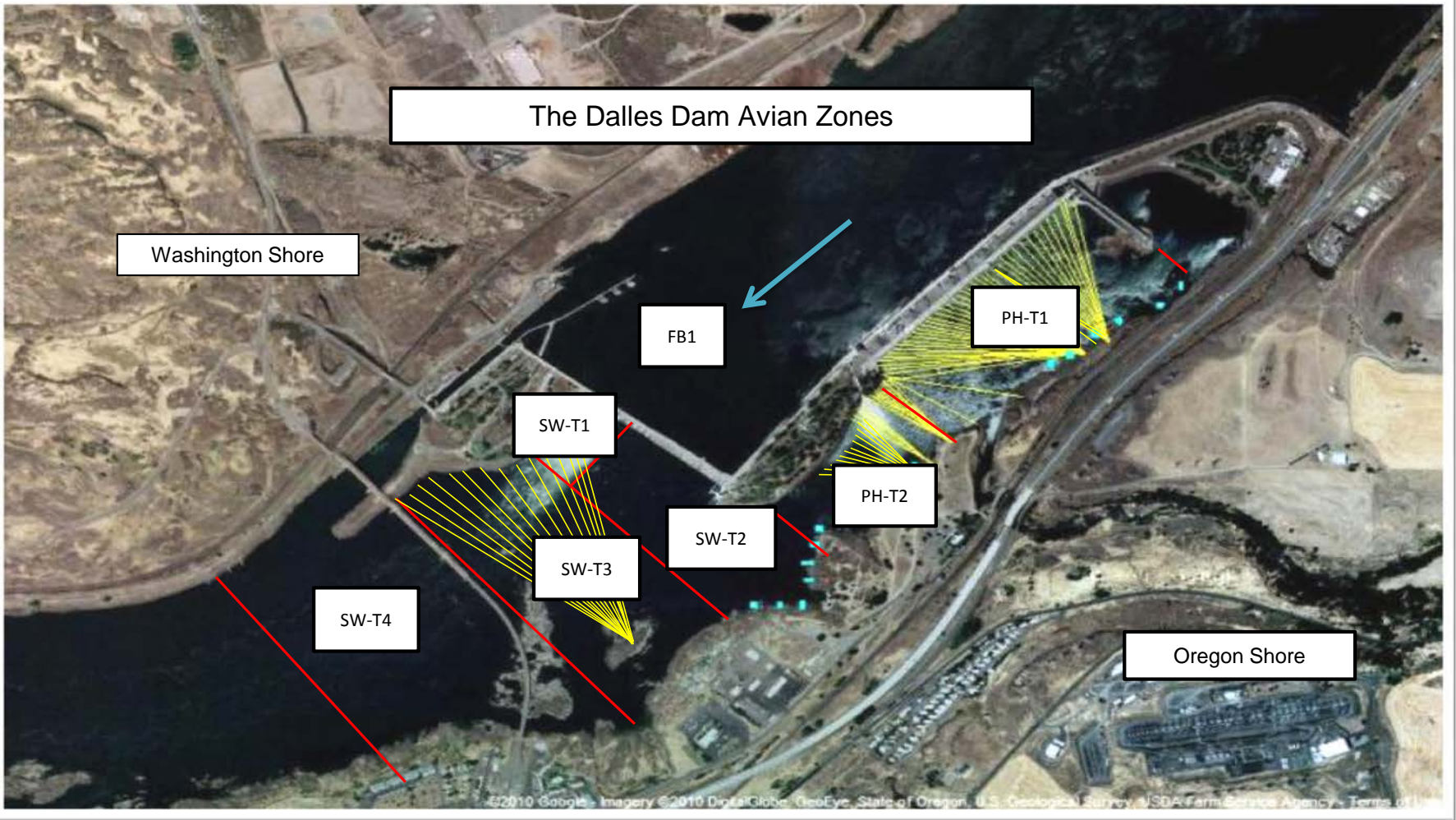
**Research/Contractors:**

Normandeau fish counters at east and north count stations 16 hr/day through 10/31.

Northern pikeminnow dam angling caught 4,566 NPM<sub>≥</sub> 230mm for the year at The Dalles Dam.

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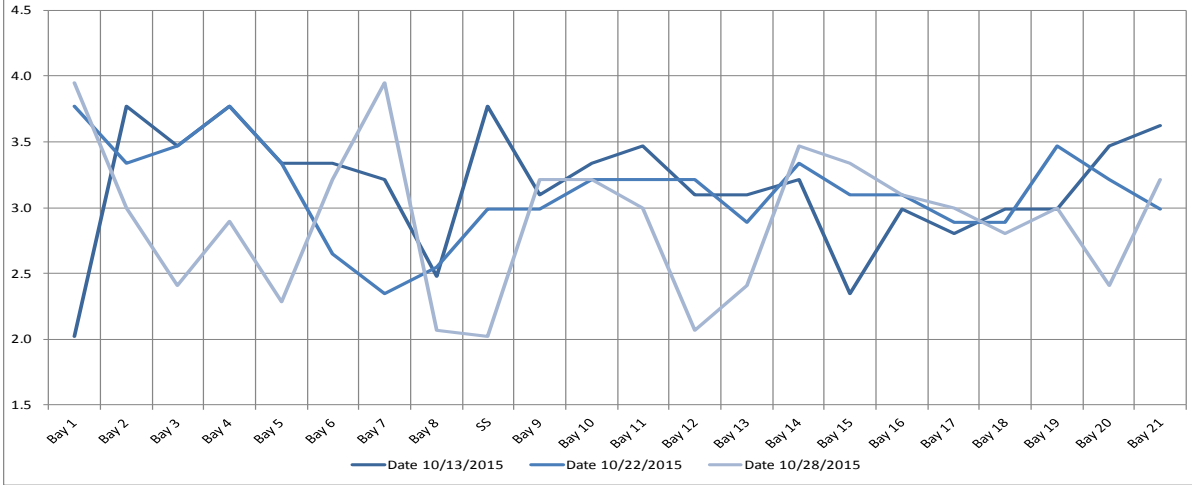
Avian lines in yellow, zones in red, river flow in blue.



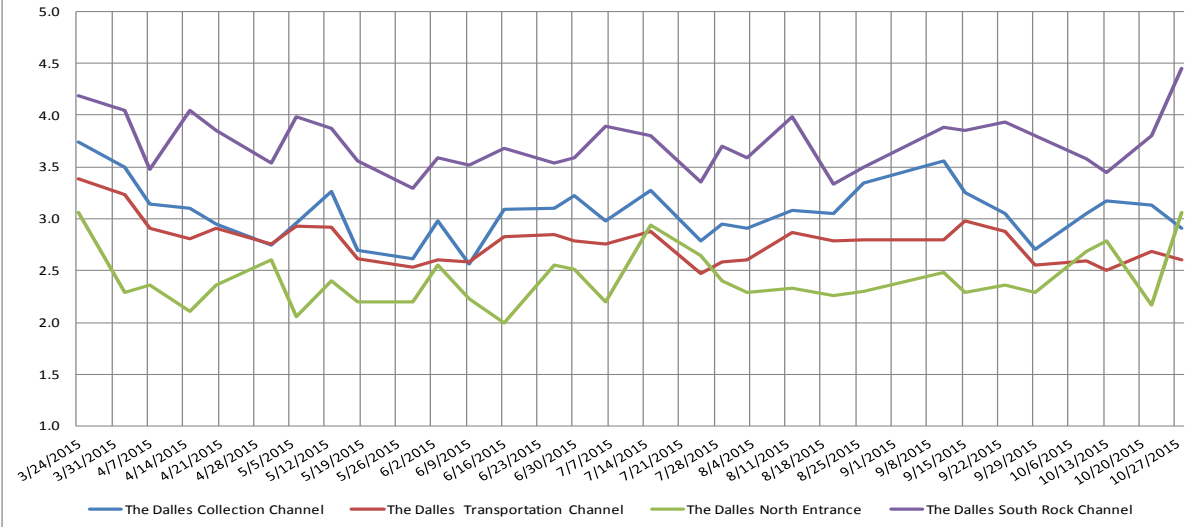
<b>The Dalles East</b>													
<b>Date</b>	<b>All Chinook</b>	<b>Adult Chinook</b>	<b>Jack Chinook</b>	<b>All Steelhead</b>	<b>Clipped Steelhead</b>	<b>Unclipped Steelhead</b>	<b>All Coho</b>	<b>Adult Coho</b>	<b>Jack Coho</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Lamprey</b>
10/25	1921	1639	282	256	150	106	32	28	4	0	0	0	0
10/26	1434	1266	168	222	125	97	27	23	4	0	0	0	0
10/27	1020	919	101	257	149	108	56	54	2	0	0	0	0
10/28	1172	1022	150	410	236	174	57	52	5	0	0	0	0
10/29	940	860	80	124	78	46	24	24	0	0	0	0	0
10/30	447	385	62	210	106	104	16	16	0	0	0	0	0
10/31	612	528	84	287	144	143	34	30	4	0	0	0	0
<b>total</b>	<b>7546</b>	<b>6619</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>1766</b>	<b>988</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>246</b>	<b>227</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>% east passage</b>	<b>93.23%</b>	<b>93.40%</b>	<b>92.06%</b>	<b>86.19%</b>	<b>88.29%</b>	<b>83.66%</b>	<b>91.45%</b>	<b>91.90%</b>	<b>86.36%</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>	<b>NA</b>
<b>The Dalles North</b>													
<b>Date</b>	<b>All Chinook</b>	<b>Adult Chinook</b>	<b>Jack Chinook</b>	<b>All Steelhead</b>	<b>Clipped Steelhead</b>	<b>Unclipped Steelhead</b>	<b>All Coho</b>	<b>Adult Coho</b>	<b>Jack Coho</b>	<b>Sockeye</b>	<b>Chum</b>	<b>Pink</b>	<b>Lamprey</b>
10/25	90	76	14	50	26	24	1	1	0	0	0	0	0
10/26	118	86	32	26	14	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10/27	62	60	2	42	18	24	4	4	0	0	0	0	0
10/28	40	36	4	37	19	18	6	6	0	0	0	0	0
10/29	82	72	10	34	17	17	-2	-2	0	0	0	0	0
10/30	84	80	4	42	14	28	5	4	1	0	0	0	0
10/31	72	58	14	52	23	29	9	7	2	0	0	0	0
<b>total:</b>	<b>548</b>	<b>468</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>283</b>	<b>131</b>	<b>152</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>

Fish counts end for the season on 10/31

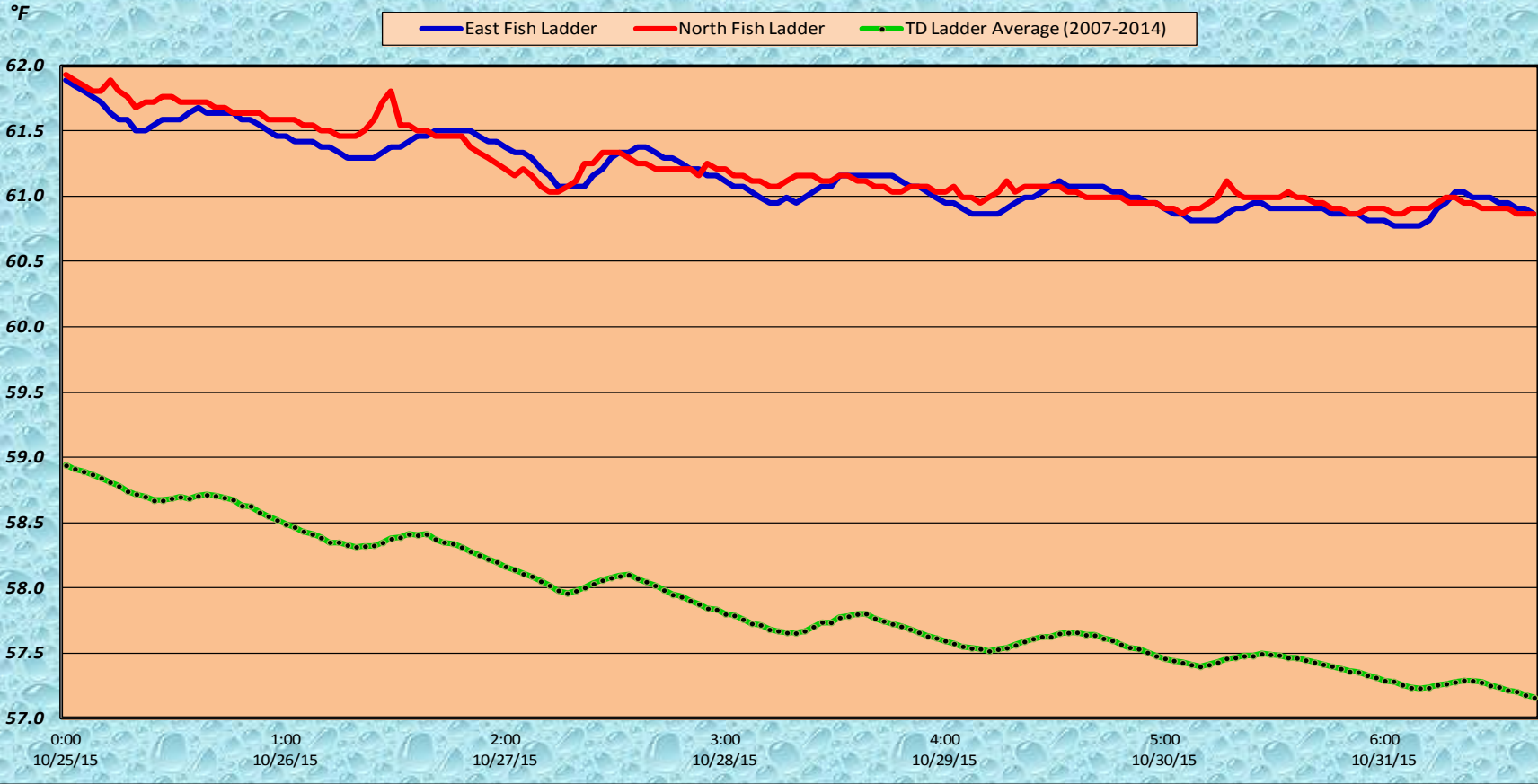
The Dalles Dam Collection Channel Velocities (In criteria 1.5 - 4.0 fps)



The Dalles Dam Averages Velocities (In criteria 1.5 - 4.0 fps)



### The Dalles Dam Adult Fish Ladder(s) River/Water Temperatures



USGS: [tp://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/ops/temp/201510.lcol.ht](http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/ops/temp/201510.lcol.ht)

Secchi:		Temperatures
5.0	Sun	61.7
5.0	Mon	61.4
5.0	Tue	61.2
5.0	Wed	61.1
5.0	Thurs	61.0
5.0	Fri	60.9
5.0	Sat	60.9
5.0	AVG	61.2

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

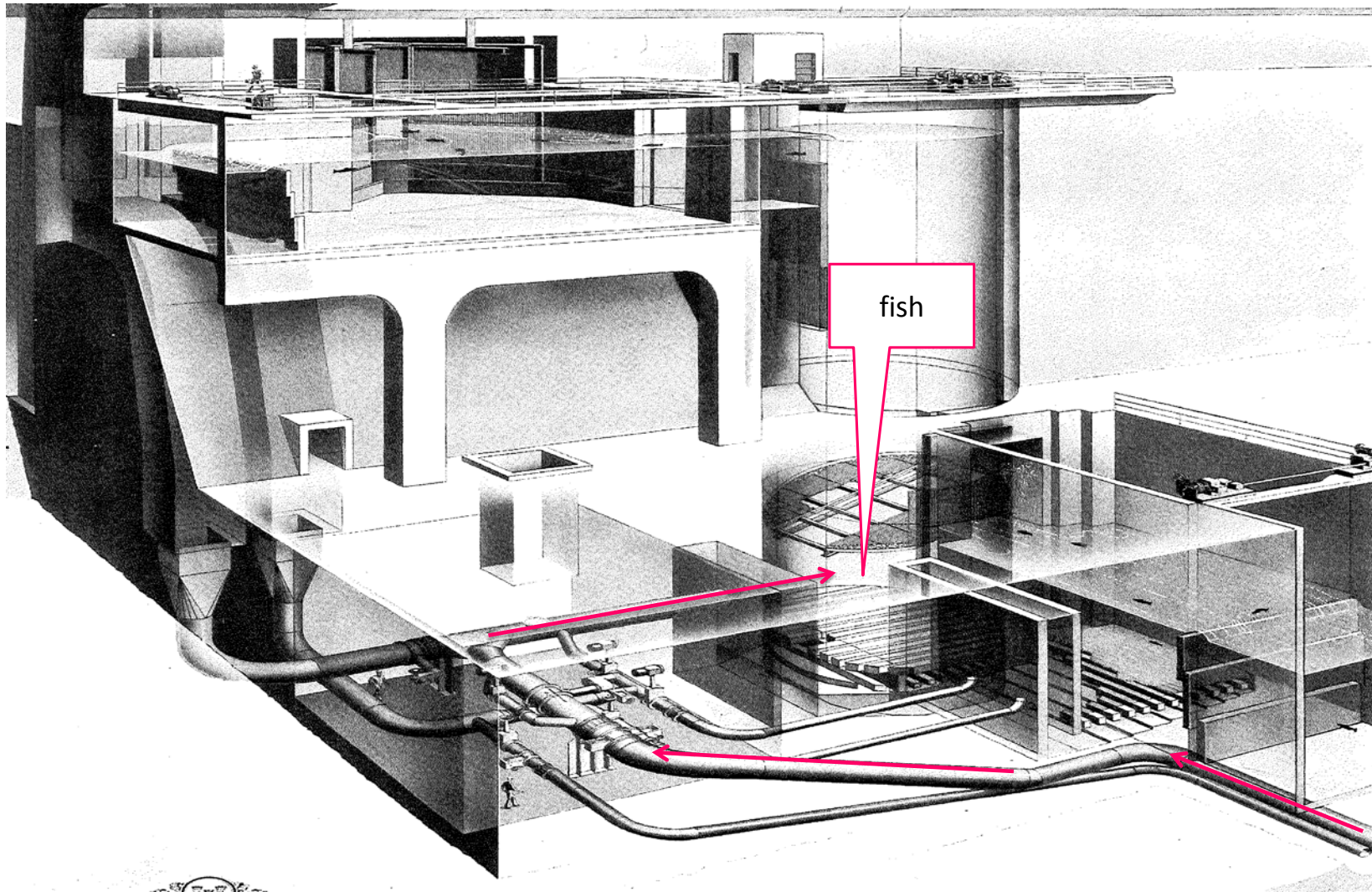
= Out of criteria

		North Ladder		East Ladder													
		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	S P I L L  O N  S E A L		
10/25	1.2	8.6	1.7	7.1	10.9	9.8		1.5	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.4			
	1.3	9.6	1.6	7.7	10.9	9.8	8.4	1.5	9.3	9.3		1.5	8.3	8.3			
			1.6	8.0	11.0	10.0	8.5	1.4	9.3	9.3		1.4	8.3	8.3			
10/26			1.6	7.9	11.0	9.9		1.6	9.0	9.0		1.4	8.3	8.3			
	1.3	8.7	1.6	7.9	11.4	10.3	8.9	1.6	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.3			
	1.3	8.7	1.5	7.9	11.2	10.1	8.7	1.7	9.1	9.1		1.4	8.4	8.4			
			1.6	7.8	11.2	10.1		1.5	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.3			
10/27	1.5	8.4	1.5	7.8	11.5	10.4	9.0	1.5	9.2	9.2		1.5	8.3	8.3			
	1.5	8.4	1.7	8.5	11.3	10.2	12.8	1.6	9.2	9.2		1.5	8.3	8.3			
			1.4	8.7	11.6	10.5		1.5	9.2	9.2		1.4	8.3	8.3			
10/28	1.5	8.5	1.5	5.5	11.8	10.7	9.3	1.5	9.2	9.2		1.6	8.2	8.2			
	1.4	8.5	1.6	5.5	11.4	10.3	8.9	1.6	9.0	9.0		1.5	8.3	8.3			
			2.0	5.4	10.8	9.7		1.6	9.0	9.0		1.5	8.3	8.3			
10/29	1.4	8.4	1.5	9.1	11.3	10.2	8.8	1.5	9.0	9.0		1.4	8.3	8.3			
	1.4	8.4	1.7	9.1	10.4	9.3	7.9	1.4	9.2	9.2		1.4	8.3	8.3			
			1.6	9.0	10.9	9.8		1.5	9.2	9.2		1.5	8.3	8.3			
10/30	1.3	8.5	1.6	9.0	10.9	9.8	8.4	1.4	9.1	9.1		1.4	8.4	8.4			
	1.5	8.5	1.6	9.1	11.3	10.2	8.8	1.5	9.2	9.2		1.3	8.5	8.5			
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	1.5	8.5	1.2	9.0	12.4	11.3	9.9	1.5	9.2	9.2		1.4	8.3	8.4			
AVG:	1.4	8.6	1.6	8.0	11.3	10.2	9.1	1.5	9.1	9.1	closed	1.5	8.3	8.3			

*Fishways are inspected twice daily plus one SCADA inspection.*



## Fishlock Schematic



Schematic of Fishlock. Fish observed in cylindrical portion of lock. Likely entry from tailrace through pipe (lower right of pic). Bulkheads installed in intake (upper left of pic) to stop leakage flow.