

# The Dalles Dam Fishway Status Report

11/8/2015

Inspection Period: 11/01/2015 - 11/07/2015

## 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: 19		Temperature: 58.8 F
			Comments		Secchi: 4.1 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	2	Per forebay	Auto adjusts 1' increments. Weir 156 at forebay 158.1'.		
Weir 158-159 differential	1	1.0' ± 0.1'	Out criteria at 0.7'.		
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	8.7	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	11.2	low tailwater 7.9 and 7.8 corrected.
Entrance weir E3	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average	10.1	
Collection channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	3.0	
Transportation channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.7	
North channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	2.9	
South channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	Average	3.7	
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	2	Units 1, 8, 18	Sluiceways 1-1,2,3, 8-1,2, and 18-2 open.		No MU 8 on 11/7
Turbine trashrack drawdown	0	<1.5', wkly	Range: 0.1 - 0.6'		
Spill volume	NA	40%+1%	Average	Spill closed on 9/1/15	
Spill Pattern	NA	per FPP			
Turbine Unit Priority	1	per FPP	11/4/15 - Line 1 tripped causing the temporary loss of MU1 and the fishunits		
Turbine 1% Efficiency	0	per FPP			

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

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

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 11/04/15. Forebay/gatewell differential in criteria.

Investigating operational changes needed for potential large oil spill in Columbia. Fishway protection measures to be evaluated. Plan to be presented to FPOM. Permanent boom purchased for east fishway exit, working through installation options.

SCADA computer temporarily disconnected for office flooring install.

**Current Outages:**

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

T3 out of service 0630 to 1700 on 11/6/2015 to repair lighting at the transformer vault

**Maintenance:**

Biweekly oil leak inspection monitoring on all fishway equipment continues. Maintenance notified on any excessive leakage.

North fishway winter maintenance dewatering Dec 2, '15. East fishway dewatering Jan 5, '16

Project lighting upgrades in progress. Working with fisheries for acceptable lighting near fishways.

Two failed collection channel dewatering pumps remaining on deck for repair. Parts on hand. Repair/installtion planning underway, pending funding.

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

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

Updating inventory on all fishway component spare parts.

New dewatering pump motor for north fishway entrance expected delivery this month. Install planned for dewater season 2016/2017.

East fishladder expansion joint leakage increasing with decreased temperatures. Repair deferred to next season due to funding constraints. See Pic tab.

Investigating cost and feasibility for 154 -157 weir replacement through project labor. No work this season due to funding constraints.

Workload for upcoming winter maintenance period; adjust 158 weir, 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 adjsuted 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.

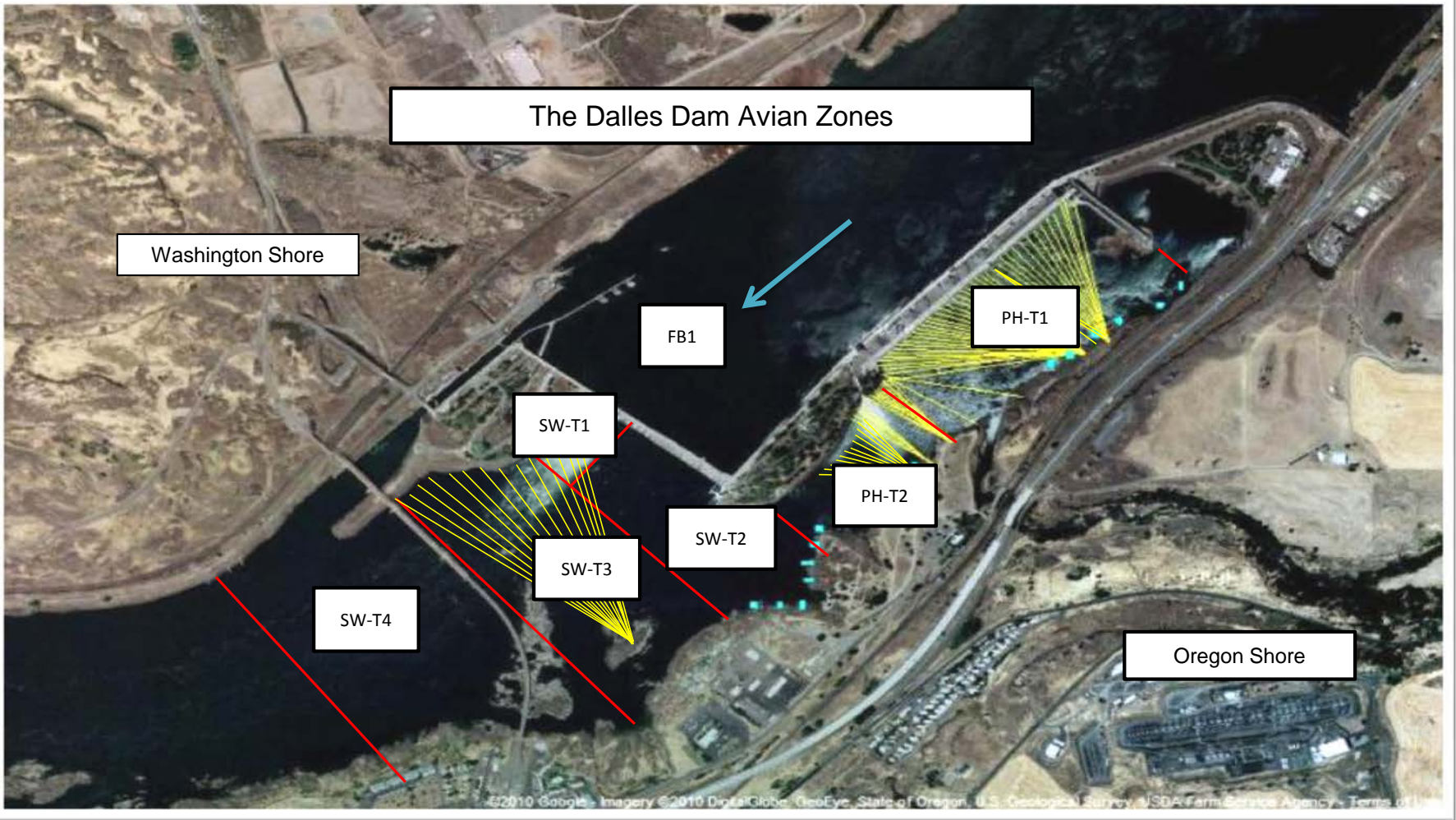
**Research/Contractors:**

Normandeau fish counters season done 10/31.

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

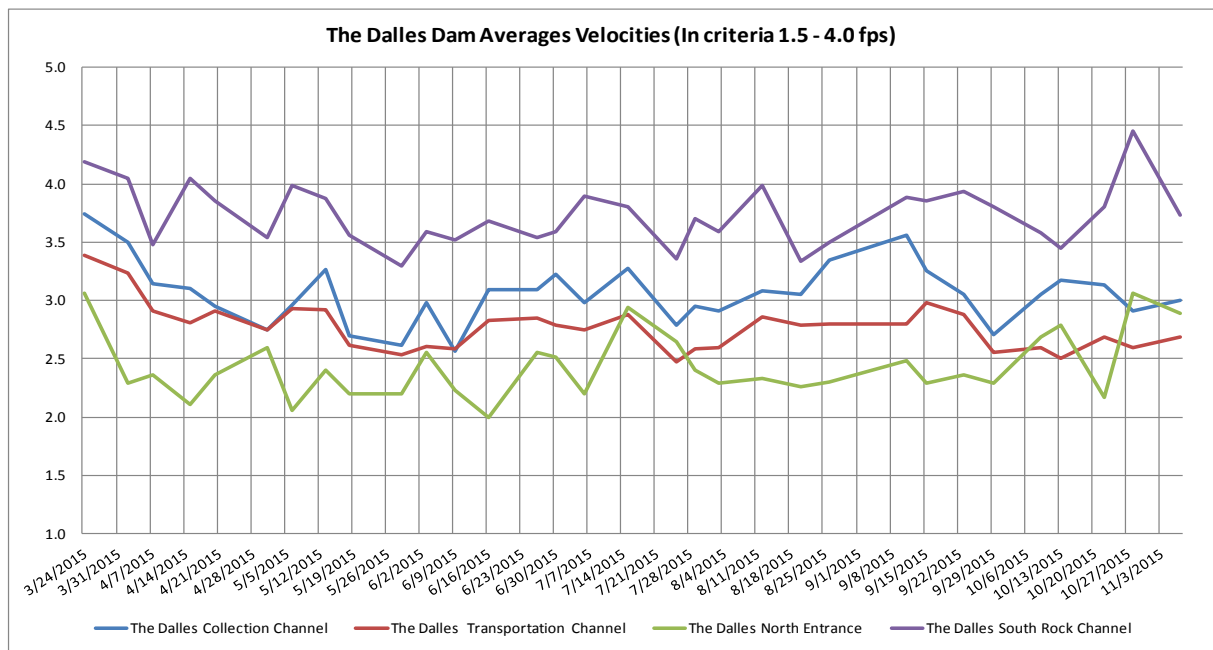
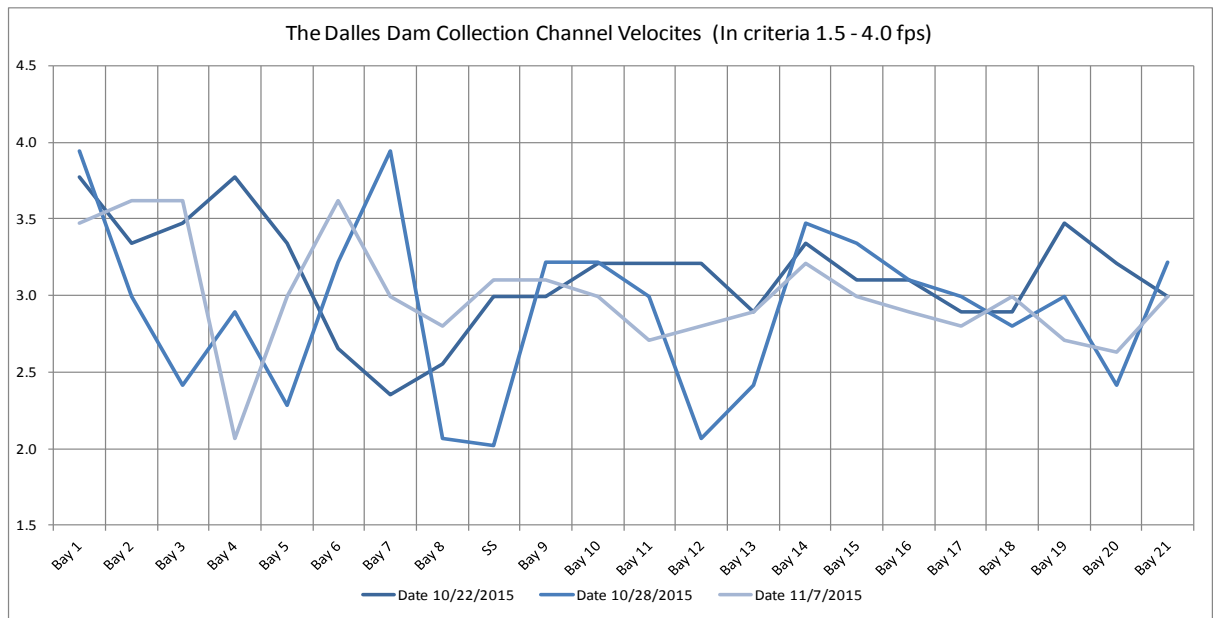
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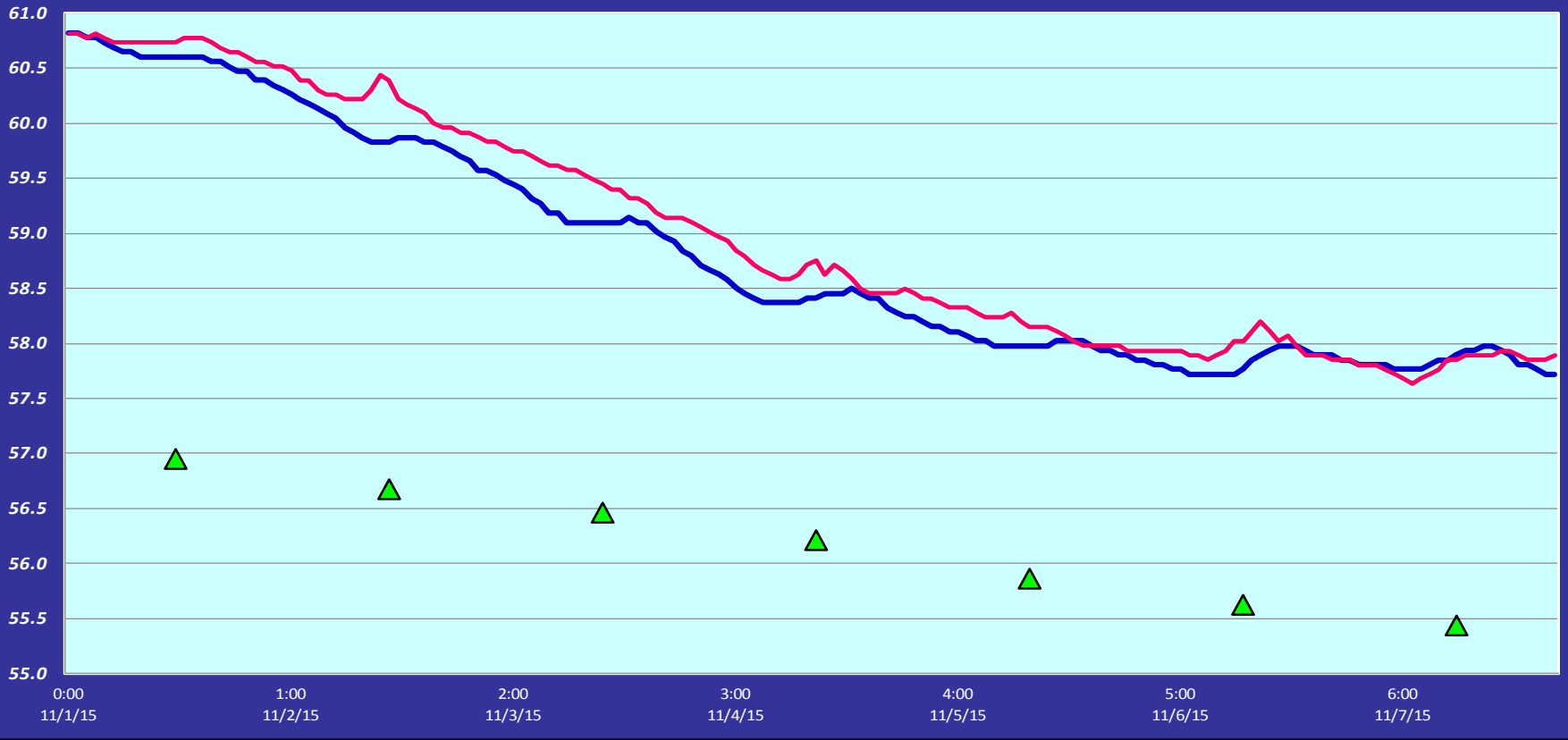
Avian lines in yellow, zones in red, river flow in blue.





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

— East Fish Ladder    — North Fish Ladder    ▲ USGS daily tailwater average (2007-2014)



USGS: <http://www.nwd-wc.usace.army.mil/tmt/documents/ops/temp/201511.lcol.html>

Secchi:		Temperatures
5.0	Sun	60.6
5.0	Mon	60.0
2.0	Tue	59.2
3.0	Wed	58.4
5.0	Thurs	58.0
4.0	Fri	57.8
5.0	Sat	57.8
4.1	AVG	58.8

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

= Out of criteria

Date:	North Ladder		East Ladder											Spill On Seal
	North Entrance		East Entrance					West Entrance			South Entrance			
	Differential	N1 Depth	Differential	E1 Depth	E2 Depth	E3 Depth	JP 6	Differential	W1 Depth	W2 Depth	W3 Depth	Differential	S1 Depth	S2 Depth
11/1			1.8	8.3	10.3	9.2		1.4	9.2	9.2		1.3	8.3	8.3
	1.3	8.4	1.8	8.9	10.3	9.2	7.8	1.4	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.2	8.2
	1.3	8.5	1.6	9.8	10.5	9.4	8.0	1.4	9.2	9.2		1.4	8.4	8.4
11/2			1.3	9.7	10.8	9.7		1.3	9.0	9.0		1.5	8.3	8.3
	1.3	8.5	1.6	8.9	10.9	9.8	8.4	1.5	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.2	8.2
	1.0	8.4	1.6	8.1	10.7	9.6	8.2	1.4	9.1	9.1		1.4	8.4	8.4
11/3			1.5	11.1	11.4	10.3		1.5	9.0	9.0		1.4	8.3	8.3
	1.4	8.4	1.5	7.4	11.2	10.1	8.7	1.6	8.7	8.7		1.5	8.3	8.3
	1.4	8.5	1.7	7.4	11.2	10.1	8.7	1.3	9.5	9.5		1.5	8.3	8.3
11/4			1.4	9.5	11.8	10.7		1.6	9.0	9.0		1.6	8.2	8.1
	1.5	8.4	1.5	9.0	11.6	10.5	9.1	1.4	9.2	9.2		1.5	8.3	8.3
	1.3	9.3	1.5	7.4	11.6	10.5	9.1	1.5	9.1	9.2		1.5	8.3	8.3
11/5			1.6	9.0	11.5	10.4		1.6	9.1	9.1		1.4	8.4	8.4
	1.3	8.5	1.6	9.0	11.1	10.0	8.6	1.3	9.2	9.1		1.5	8.2	8.2
	1.3	9.3	1.6	9.5	11.6	10.5	9.1	1.5	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.3
11/6														
	1.5	8.4	1.7	9.3	11.1	10.0	8.6	1.5	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.2	8.3
	1.5	8.4	1.6	9.4	11.4	10.3	8.9	1.6	9.1	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.3
11/7														
	1.5	8.4	1.4	9.3	11.9	10.8	9.4	1.6	9.2	9.1		1.4	8.3	8.4
	1.4	8.5	1.5	9.4	12.0	11.1	9.5	1.6	9.2	9.1		1.5	8.3	8.4
AVG:	1.4	8.6	1.6	9.0	11.2	10.1	8.7	1.5	9.1	9.1	closed	1.5	8.3	8.3

Fishways are inspected twice daily plus one SCADA inspection.



Leakage increase from east ladder expansion joint with decreasing temperatures.