

The Dalles Dam Fishway Status Report

05/31/2020

Inspection Period: 5/24-5/30

THE DALLES DAM



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The Dalles Dam	Inspections OOC	Criteria Limit	Total Number of Inspections: 21		Temperature: 56.0 °F
			Comments: Increasing spill volume and GULL #.		Weekly Average Secchi: 2.3

NORTH FISHWAY

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'	1.3
Entrance weir N1	0	depth (≥ 8')	10.0
Entrance weir N2	0	Closed	
PUD Intake differential	0	≤ 0.5'	

EAST FISHWAY

Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'	
Removable weirs 154-157	1	Per forebay	156 lagging behind forebay level
Weir 158-159 differential	0	1.1' ± 0.1'	Maintenance adjusted.
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'	
153 Weir crest depth	1	1.3' ± 0.1'	below lower limit
Junction pool weir JP6	0	> 7.0'	Average for week = 16.5
East entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average for week = 1.5
Entrance weir E1	0	No criteria	Average for week = 12.0
Entrance weir E2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 12.6
Entrance weir E3	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 12.7
Collection channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	2.93 fps, 5/30/2020 Range: 3.31 fps MU18 - 2.26 fps MU12
Transportation channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	1.8 fps, 5/30/2020
North channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	1.95 fps, 5/30/2020
South channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	3.0 fps, 5/30/2020
West entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average for week = 1.5
Entrance weir W1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 12.4
Entrance weir W2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 12.5
Entrance weir W3	0	No criteria	
South entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average for week = 1.5
Entrance weir S1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 8.8
Entrance weir S2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for week = 8.8

JUVENILE PASSAGE

Sluiceway operation	0	Units 1, 7, 18	MU8 OOS, MU7 running per FPP.
Turbine trashrack drawdown	0	<1.5', biwkly	5/19/2020 checked, all in criteria.
Spill volume/pattern	0	1 to 8	Spill 40% of total flow.
Turbine Unit Priority	2	per FPP	All available MUs running; OOC due to forced outages
Gatewells	0	Weekly	5/26/2020 No mortality, MU-18-1 has significant numbers of sub and yearling salmon.

OTHER ISSUES:

Fishway Operations

North and east fish ladders in full operation
Spillway open 40% for juvenile passage with Fish Passage Plan pattern
Sluiceway opened with open sluiceways 1-1,1-2,1-3,7-2,7-3,18-2.

Unit Outages

T10 (MU19 & 20) forced out of service through 10/28/2021 due to acetylene levels
MU1 and MU2 restricted to 160 MW combined through 5/28/2020
MU8 out of service through 7/10/2020 for Overhaul

Maintenance

Calibration check 5/26/20; All gates in calibration.
Five of 6 east fishway collection channel dewatering pumps removed for repair/rehab. Work to resume next week.
East fishway automation replacement underway. PLC box assembly completed. Starting installation at entrance and exit locations.
Spillway assessment (MRER); No funding for FY20. Spillgate 9 trunnion pin included.
Onsite staffing reduced due to COVID. Making adjustments to accomplish as much workload as possible. Planning phased returning staff back on site.

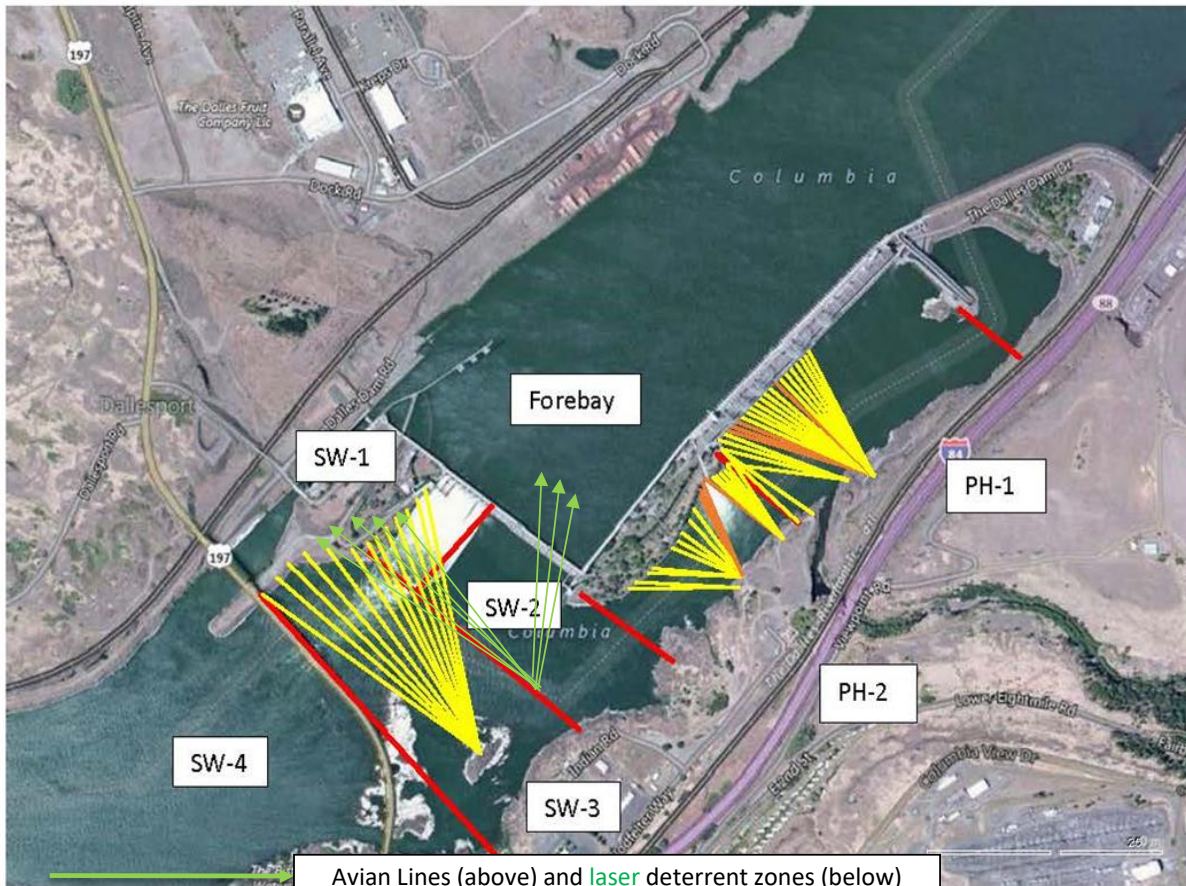
Predators

USDA hazing underway. Gulls and Pelicans foraging below spillway. Gulls inside lines are hazed by USDA. Cormorants nesting on forebay powerline towers.
USDA reported sea lion observations this week. Operations implemented additional navlock operation guidelines in efforts to prevent sealions upstream passage.
Green laser use for piscivorous bird hazing testing on hold. Potential safety concerns being addressed.

Research/Construction/Contractors

Four Peaks fish counting ongoing.
AWS backup - Ready for operation if needed. Discussions continue about need for trashrack rake. Debris loading will be investigated. Alarm system planning underway.
PITAGS north and east fishladder data collection at count stations continues. Some interference problems on east antennas. PITAGS troubleshooting.
Pikeminnow dam angling started. Possible bass/walleye gut sampling may be included.
Fish unit breaker replacement completed. Contractor back on site mid June for finishing touches. No fish unit outage required.
Fish unit rehab - Phase 1A. Planning operation scenario with AWS backup water supply during construction. No funding.

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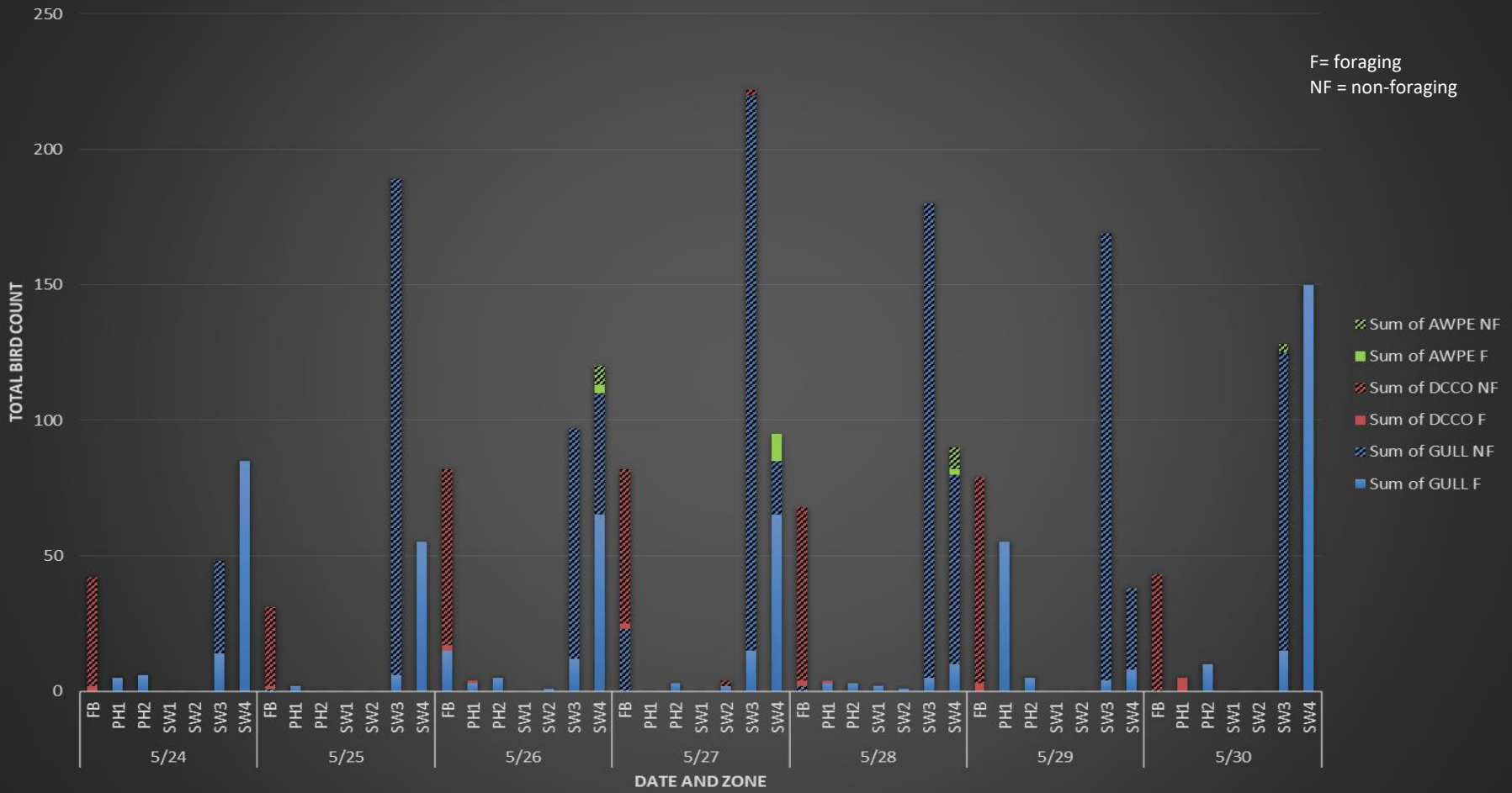
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Avian Lines (above) and laser deterrent zones (below)

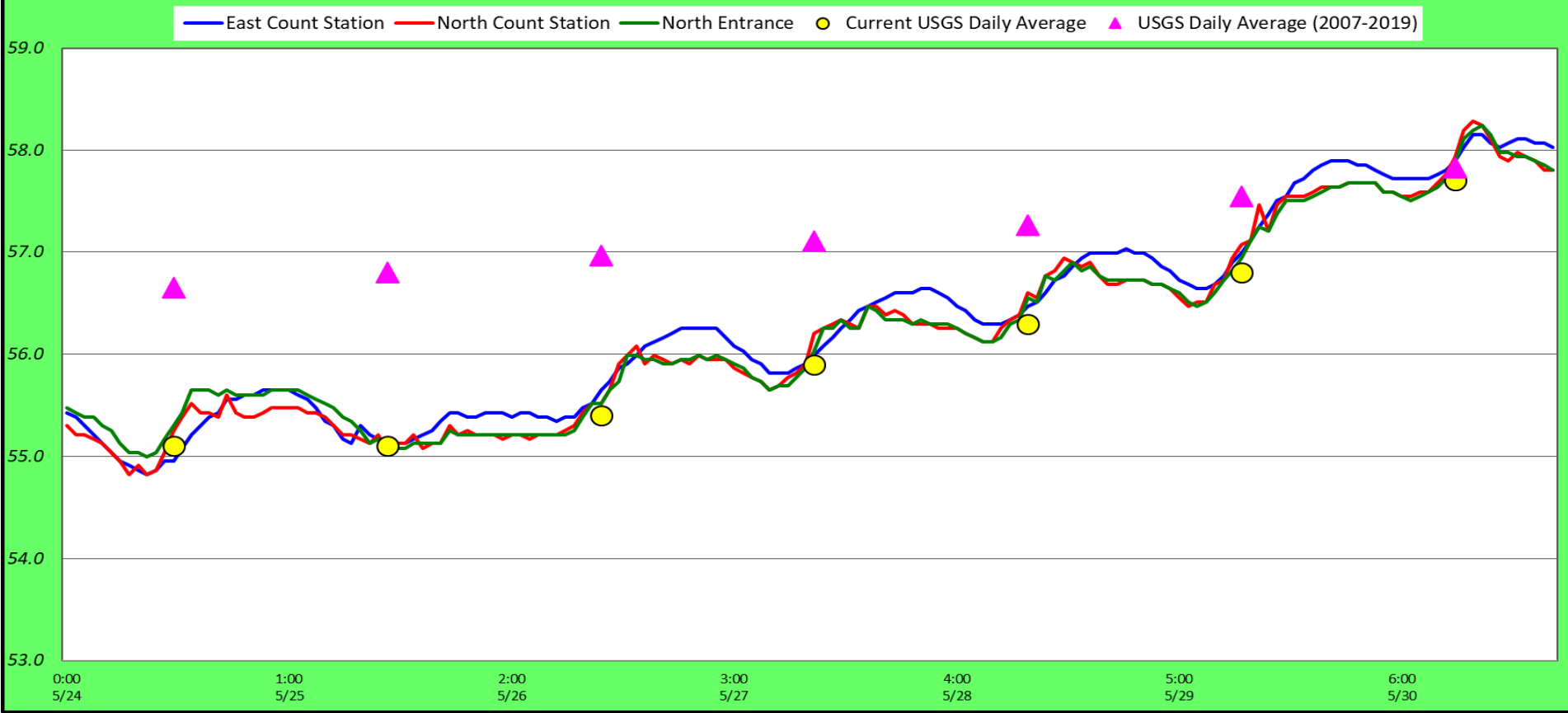
Yellow lines = current wires

Orange lines = down or missing wires

Gull, Cormorant, and Pelican Activity by Zone



Adult Fish Ladders-River Temperatures



	Secchi:		°F	USGS link
5/24	2.0	Sun	55.1	
5/25	2.0	Mon	55.1	
5/26	2.0	Tue	55.4	
5/27	2.0	Wed	55.9	
5/28	2.0	Thurs	56.3	
5/29	3.0	Fri	56.8	
5/30	3.0	Sat	57.7	
	2.3	AVG	56.0	

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

SCADA INSPECTION
out of criteria

Date:	North Ladder		East Ladder											
	Differential	N1 Depth	East Entrance					West Entrance				South Entrance		
			Differential	E1 Depth	E2 Depth	E3 Depth	JP 6	Differential	W1	W2	W3	Differential	S1	S2
5/24			1.6	12.0	12.6	12.6	17.3	1.5	12.3	12.3	9.6	1.5	9.0	9.0
	1.3	10.0	1.4	13.1	13.1	13.1	17.5	1.5	12.3	12.3	9.5	1.4	9.0	9.0
	1.3	10.0	1.5	13.1	13.1	13.1	17.5	1.5	12.3	12.3	9.5	1.4	9.0	9.0
5/25			1.4	12.9	13.0	13.0	16.5	1.3	12.2	12.2	9.7	1.4	9.0	9.0
	1.3	10.1	1.4	12.5	12.6	12.6	16.7	1.5	12.5	12.5	8.0	1.5	8.7	8.7
	1.3	10.1	1.5	12.5	12.5	12.5	16.2	1.4	12.4	12.4	8.0	1.5	8.7	8.7
5/26			1.4	12.6	12.5	12.5	15.4	1.3	12.4	12.6	7.5	1.5	8.7	8.7
	1.2	10.0	1.4	12.6	12.5	12.5	15.5	1.4	12.4	12.4	8.0	1.5	8.7	8.7
	1.3	10.0	1.5	10.9	12.4	12.4	16.0	1.5	12.5	12.5	7.0	1.6	8.7	8.7
5/27			1.5	11.1	12.6	12.6	15.7	1.5	12.4	12.4	7.1	1.5	8.8	8.7
	1.3	10.0	1.5	10.9	12.4	12.6	15.6	1.4	12.6	12.6	7.0	1.5	8.7	8.8
	1.3	9.9	1.5	11.0	12.5	12.6	15.1	1.5	12.4	12.4	5.4	1.4	8.6	8.7
5/28			1.4	11.2	12.7	12.8	15.9	1.5	12.6	12.6	5.4	1.4	8.8	8.8
	1.2	10.0	1.5	11.0	12.5	12.6	16.8	1.6	12.5	12.5	6.6	1.5	8.8	8.7
	1.3	9.9	1.5	12.1	12.6	12.6	16.5	1.5	12.5	12.5	6.5	1.5	8.8	8.8
5/29			1.7	12.1	12.6	12.6	17.2	1.7	12.5	12.5	6.5	1.5	8.8	8.7
	1.3	9.9	1.6	12.0	12.5	12.5	17.1	1.6	12.6	12.6	6.4	1.6	8.6	8.7
	1.4	10.1	1.6	12.1	12.5	12.5	18.0	1.8	12.6	12.6	6.6	1.6	8.7	8.7
5/30			1.7	12.1	12.5	12.5	18.2	1.8	12.7	12.7	6.6	1.5	8.9	8.8
	1.3	10.0	1.6	12.6	12.4	12.6	19.0	1.8	12.6	12.6	9.1	1.6	8.7	8.8
	1.3	10.0	1.6	12.5	12.4	12.5	18.7	1.7	12.4	12.4	10.4	1.5	8.8	8.8
AVG:	1.3	10.0	1.5	12.0	12.6	12.7	16.5	1.5	12.4	12.5	7.5	1.5	8.8	8.8

Fishways are inspected once daily plus one SCADA inspection.