

The Dalles Dam Fishway Status Report

7/9/23

Inspection Period 07/02-07/08, 2023

THE DALLES DAM



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The Dalles Dam	Inspections OOC	Criteria Limit	Total Number of Inspections: 14		Temperature: 68.7 °F
			Comments: flows decrease.		Weekly Ave. Secchi: 5.0

NORTH FISHWAY

Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'			
Weir crest depth	0	1.0' ± 0.1'			
Entrance weir N1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Average for the week	10.1	
Entrance Differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Average for the week	1.2	
N2		Closed			
PUD Intake differential	0	≤ 0.5'			

EAST FISHWAY

Exit differential	0	≤ 0.5'			
Removable weirs 154-157	0	Per forebay	Weir 157 continues to have problems returning to raised limit, slightly dragging due to electrical?		
Weir 158-159 differential	0	1.1' ± 0.1'	PLC setting prove effective.		
Count station differential	0	≤ 0.3'	Increased weir top flow 1.3' due to shad. Shad numbers declining, raked pickets more frequently.		
153 Weir crest depth	0	1' ± 0.1'	Seasonal adjustment for shad numbers to 1.3' reliable per FPP.		
Junction pool weir JP6	0	> 7.0'	Weekly average	10.6	
East entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Weekly average	1.6	
Entrance weir E1	0	No criteria	Weekly average	9.4	
Entrance weir E2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	10.6	
Entrance weir E3	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	10.6	
Collection channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	2.69 fps 7/3/23		
Transportation channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	3.64 fps 7/4/23		
North channel velocity	0	1.5 - 4 fps	2.44 fps 6/5/23		
South entrance	0	1.5 - 4 fps	5.15 fps 7/4/23		
West entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Weekly average	1.5	
Entrance weir W1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	9.9	
Entrance weir W2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	10.0	
Entrance weir W3	0	No criteria	Weekly average	-2.8	
South entrance differential	0	1.0' - 2.0'	Weekly average	1.4	
Entrance weir S1	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	10.0	
Entrance weir S2	0	depth (≥ 8')	Weekly average	9.6	

JUVENILE BYPASS

Sluiceway operation	0	Units 1, 8, 18	3-8-18 gates open.		
Turbine trashrack drawdown	0	<1.5', biwklly	6/26/2023 All in criteria.		
Spill volume/pattern	0	1 to 22	1-8 bays in operation daily		
Turbine Unit Priority	0	per FPP			
Gatewells	0	Weekly	Less fish in gatewells, mostly adult shad.		

Current Outages

MU1 OOS 06/26/2023 0630 – 07/12/23 1700, ANNUAL
MU4 OOS 04/17/2023 0630 – 9/28/2023 1700, ANNUAL
MU12 OOS 04/12/2021 0001 – 9/22/2023 ANNUAL
MU16 OOS 05/22/2023 0630 – 07/20/2023 1700, 6 YR O/H
MU19 & MU20 FOOS 10/07/2018 1205 – 10/31/2025 1700 T10 ACETYLENE

Maintenance

Exploring contractors for removal of vegetation from north ladder this winter
Calibrations at fishways entrances are all within criteria 7/6/2023
Planning spill gates 9 and 10 cable and gearbox swap. Resealing bulkheads.
Spillway assessment; Spillgates 1- 9 rehab 2034. Spillway crane replace first priority. Reviewing gate operation frequency.
Plan in place for fish unit intake trashrack rake in preparation for potential debris issues. Monitoring fish unit differential.
Relocated Tori line at south entrance obtained from Englund marine, Astoria.

Predators

60+ pelicans foraging spillway tailrace eddy line off spillwall and in SW4
20 foraging gulls in SW3 now with lower flows. DCCO's remain on BPA towers with ~18 nests occupied.
Planning removal of bass/walleye/catfish from all dewaterings for gut sample analysis. Working on permit.
Falconry abatement finished for year. Planning to add RC boat trial July 16th.

Research/Construction/Contractors

relocated tori line from NOAA seagrant at south entrance to deter predator birds. Initial response promising.
Northern Pikeminnow Management Program (NPM) ≥ 230 231 for the week, 1335 YTD
USGS temperature link- °F
4 Peaks conduction fish counts, night video commenced
Supporting lamprey improvements PDT. Two of 4 exit weir modified with lamprey orifice, other 2 next winter.
ODFW conducting monthly fishway inspections.
PTAGIS fishladder data collection at count stations continues
No zebra mussel samples taken yet.

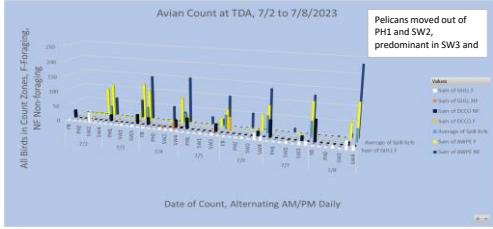
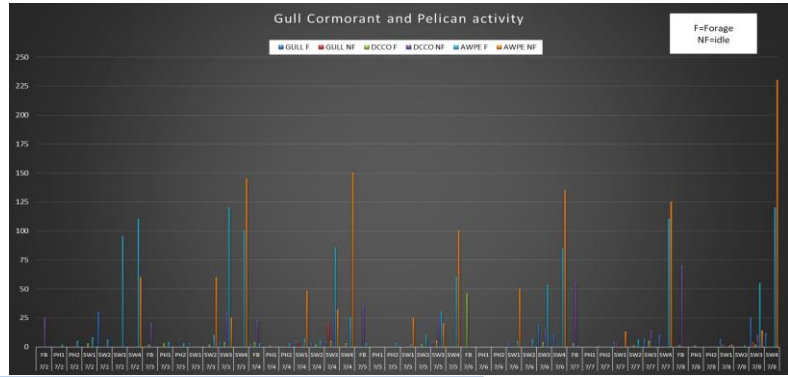
Operations

Sluice gates 3-1, 3-2, 3-3, 8-1, 8-3, 18-2 open

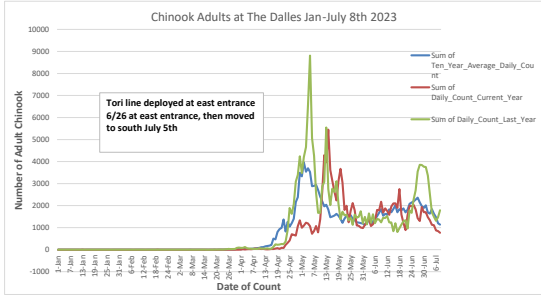
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Bird Count Zones, Avian Lines and Laser Deterrent Sites

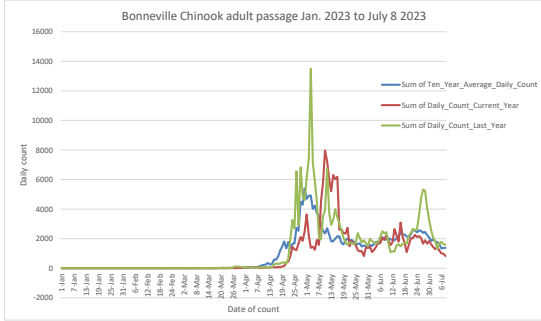




Pelicans moved out of PH1 and SW2, predominant in SW3 and 4 during past week.

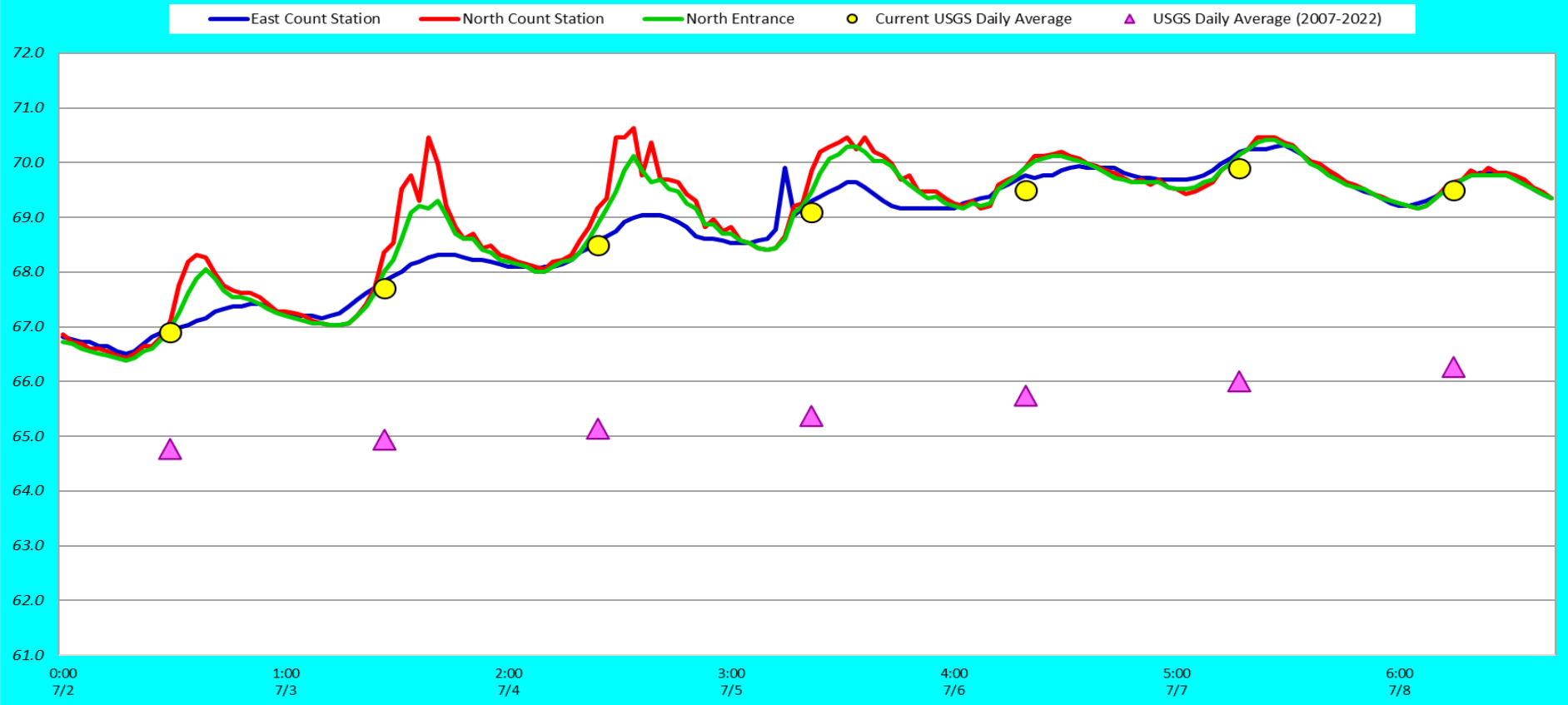


Tori line deployed at east entrance 6/26 at east entrance, then moved to south July 5th



Cursor look at counts to assure no obvious detriment from tori line deployment.

Adult Fish Ladders-River Temperatures



Secchi:		USGS F°
5.0	Sun	66.9
5.0	Mon	67.7
5.0	Tue	68.5
5.0	Wed	69.1
5.0	Thurs	69.5
5.0	Fri	69.9
5.0	Sat	69.5
5.0	AVG	68.7

Reporting week data

Date:	North Ladder		East Ladder											
			East Entrance					West Entrance			South Entrance			
	Differential	N1 Depth	Differential	E1 Depth	E2 Depth	E3 Depth	JP 6	Differential	W1	W2	W3	Differential	S1	S2
7/2	1.1	10.5	1.8	8.7	10.4	10.4	10.7	1.7	9.4	9.6	-3.1	0.9	10.5	9.9
	1.2	10.2	1.7	8.4	10.9	10.8	10.4	1.6	9.5	9.6	-3.5	1.5	10.1	9.3
7/3	1.3	10.2	1.7	9.5	11.4	11.7	11.5	1.6	10.2	9.7	-3.4	1.4	10.2	9.3
	1.3	10.1	1.5	10.0	10.3	11.0	10.4	1.5	10.3	9.8	-2.6	1.4	9.7	9.7
7/4	1.1	11.2	1.7	9.1	9.6	10.0	9.5	1.6	9.3	9.5	-3.7	1.4	9.3	8.4
	1.3	10.0	1.4	9.4	10.6	10.6	9.4	1.6	9.2	9.4	-3.8	1.4	9.5	9.5
7/5	1.3	10.0	1.6	10.1	10.1	10.1	10.1	1.5	9.5	10.3	-3.0	1.4	9.9	9.7
	1.1	9.9	1.3	11.4	10.4	10.4	11.4	1.3	11.0	11.1	-1.8	1.3	10.3	10.1
7/6	1.3	10.1	1.5	9.7	10.6	10.8	10.7	1.5	9.8	10.1	-2.5	1.4	10.1	10.0
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7/7	1.3	9.6	1.5	8.9	10.9	11.1	10.9	1.5	10.1	10.3	-2.3	1.3	10.2	10.0
	1.3	9.9	1.5	9.1	11.1	11.2	11.1	1.5	10.2	10.4	-2.2	1.4	10.0	9.8
7/8	1.4	9.9	1.6	8.7	10.7	10.9	10.7	1.6	9.8	10.1	-2.5	1.5	9.7	9.5
	1.3	10.0	1.7	8.5	10.4	10.6	10.4	1.6	9.6	9.8	-2.8	1.4	10.2	9.8
AVG:	1.2	10.1	1.6	9.4	10.6	10.8	10.6	1.5	9.9	10.0	-2.8	1.4	10.0	9.6

Fishways inspected twice daily



Typical pelican foraging this week



New tori line moved to south July 6th