

***Weekly Summary
West Region SHG
January 23, 2015***

Bandon

- No hot topics for this report

Cole Rivers

- Pathology was here this week to give us our monthly check, and found gyros on the Rb.
- Treated Rb for gyros.
- The crew is working on redesigning the wood shop.

Elk River

- No hot topics for this report

Leaburg

- Leaburg Dam has finally been repaired so the lake was filled on Wednesday afternoon, allowing the hatchery to begin drawing water. It's been a month of around the clock staffing and we're relieved to be able to get back onto a normal schedule. McKenzie Hatchery staff helped us break down all the hoses for return to the rental company, Xylem. A local contractor came out with a flatbed semi-truck to pick up the three 8" pumps. It's so nice and peaceful now without the constant drone of diesel pumps operating all day and all night. We owe a debt of gratitude to all the ODFW staff and McKenzie River Guides Association members who pitched in to cover a shift for our crew. We're especially grateful to the Springfield District Office fish staff and McKenzie Hatchery for their near constant help and support through this ordeal.
- The lowered lake level left our floating debris boom that protects the intake screens high and dry which damaged a support post. Dan Cook (ODFW Engineering) and Neal Rash and Steve Shilhanek (Corvallis Maintenance Shop) removed the damaged post and fabricated and started installation of a new one. With the lake level back up and the boom floating, we'll need divers to complete the installation of the post and attach the boom's bracket to it. In the meantime, we have a steel cable holding the boom in place so it can't float down river.

Marion Forks

- We ponded ~856,000 ChS fry on Thursday. The remaining fry are about a week behind this group.
- Fry from the incubators were collected for Otolith mark quality sampling before ponding.
- We sorted through our show pond and weeded out some not so good looking trout.
- Cleaning incubator stacks and trays and general fish culture duties has taken up the remainder of our time this week.

McKenzie

- We still have enough water and Leaburg Dam has been filled. The canal should be getting water anytime now from the dam.. Otherwise we still have enough water from Cogswell Creek and what water has been in the canal.
- We will be turning up the flows in our ponds as our full amount of water returns.
- We helped Leaburg Hatchery out a few times lately, winding up all the hoses and returning two pumps to Hubbard and one to Eugene. I'm sure Leaburg crew is happy to see those go and they can get back to working some normal hours.
- In the last seven days we have had 2.24" of rain and water temperature remains between 44-47 daily. This has been warmest water we have ever had for a winter so far.
- All of our 2314 CHS groups are now ponded and eating very well. Last year the first group was not ponded until February.
- General maintenance is ongoing as well as pressure washing of ponds.
- Kurt Kremers attended a Wild vs. Hatchery fish in Portland for the last two days. He also had a conference call for the HMT meeting in Salem on Wednesday.
- Our ten horse pump was pulled and taken in and rewound and reinstalled. It is the pump to the pollution abatement pond. It is now back up and working.

Minto

- Greg participated in the HMT meeting on Wednesday morning and a Minto maintenance team meeting in the afternoon.
- The Detroit Dam crew was down on Thursday to help us diagnose the crowder issues and training for the backup aircompressor.
- 14 RBT and 6 Whitefish were passed upstream, no STW yet.

Roaring River

- No Hot Topics for the week. General fish culture duties completed for the week

Rock Creek

- No Hot Topics for the week. General fish culture duties completed for the week.

S. Santiam

- The Foster Trap is being checked several times a week with no fish movement the past month.

Species	Weekly Total	Cum. Total	Recycled*	Rel. Upstream
StW (2015)	0	2	Na	2
StS (2014)	0	3267	Na	Na

Chinook	0	0	0	0
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- Sweet Home High School students from the USFS stream restoration program assisted the crew with dispatching all remaining summer steelhead brood this week. We let the students perform a mock spawn and they also assisted Karen Hans with distributing the carcasses for stream enrichment.
- Representatives from Nat McDougal and the USACE were at Foster this week to inspect possible warranty work on the crowders and HVAC system in the treatment building. Many issues were resolved and plans were made to have all equipment operational by March.
- We started seeing some early signs of grey tail in our Chinook yearlings. These fish have been on a restricted diet due to above average water temps. The decision was made to feed their remaining allotment of feed by the end of the month and release them two weeks early. They have responded well and are looking great.
- Chemical booms for the storm drains and a portable eyewash station were ordered for the Foster Facility.

Willamette

- No Hot Topics for the week. General fish culture duties completed for the week.