Weekly Summary West Region SHG February 13, 2015

Bandon

- Two large cedars and a clump of smaller cedars slid down the hill and blocked our entrance road. A couple of hours later we had a gap cut in the trees to open the road, but it took parts of 3 days to clean up the trees and dirt that came off the hillside.
- We've made couple of trips out with the district bio's broodstock collecting, but so far the water has been too high or too low and never just right for much results.
- Received enough eggs from STEP to fill the Coos and Tenmile StW goals. The water has been so warm that the first take was sent to Cole Rivers before the last take was put in the incubator.

Cole Rivers

No hot topics for this report

Elk River

No hot topics for this report

Leaburg

- EWEB and the McKenzie River Guide's Association hosted a family night at the local pizza parlor for Leaburg's crew and our families as a "Thank You" for the hard work through the water emergency. It was an acknowledgement of our dedication to the resource when everyone's holiday plans were cancelled and had to work around the clock for a month. Jeff and Shannon from the Springfield District Office attended as well as several EWEB employees including the agency's general manager.
- As part of our NPDES permit renewal process, we were visited by a DEQ compliance inspector. Latif was on site to help answer questions and relay ODFW's concerns for the new permit that will be issued. Several areas that we need to improve include fleshing out our written water quality sampling and testing procedures and upgrading testing equipment and supplies to meet NIST standards.

Marion Forks

- Not much to report this week. Taking care of fry, cleaning troughs, and general fish culture has taken most of our time this week. We have had a short crew most of the week.
- OSU dropped off 100 more surrogate ChS for their cold water study.

McKenzie

No hot topics for this report

Minto

- We received our new lib truck lid, this new one is made of aluminum and is much lighter than the stainless one.
- No STW yet.
- Greg participated on the HMT conference call and hosted a tour of USACE and North Star employees on a small projects team tour.
- We also received our new finger weir, this one actually has fingers!!!
- Pathology was here, fish look good with a few BKD positive smolts.

Roaring River

- We ponded our second production group of 72T14 Rb this week (319,000) into 4 troughs. We also ponded the second group of our 7214 FB group (20,000) into one trough.
- Last weekend Luke ended up treating three troughs of fry with formalin for Trichodina. They took the treatment well and look a lot better.
- The crew is getting liberation equipment ready for the stocking season to start next week.
 We are also taking advantage of this nice weather to get the hatchery and residences grounds looking good.
- Manny Farinas, John Thorpe, and a person from Whooshh Innovations came out to the hatchery. They took a tour of the hatchery and talked about the Whooshh System.

Rock Creek

• No hot topics for this report

S. Santiam

• The Foster Trap is being checked several times a week with 2 unmarked StW adults trapped and hauled upstream this week.

Species	Weekly	Cum.	Recycled*	Rel.
	Total	Total		Upstream
StW	2	7	Na	7
(2015)				
StS	0	3267	Na	Na
(2014)				
Chinook	0	0	0	0

- Surrogate StW and ChS smolts were transferred to one of our raceways from the OHRC for a fish passage study at Foster Damn. USACE research staff will tag and release the fish in 3 weeks.
- Patch Cords for the fiber optic line connecting the FACC to the hatchery were installed by USACE staff this week. We are hoping that this will solve the problems we have been having with phantom alarms.
- Brett met with Elise Kelly and OSP officer James Halsey to discuss potential angling changes on the South Santiam.

Willamette

• No hot topics for this report