

Weekly Summary

West Region SHG

August 14, 2015

Bandon

- With our warmer water (62.5 avg. in June), the “couple of ich” went to “lots of ich” very quickly. We have gone from flushing each day and pouring in salt bags to continuous flushing and halfway through a series of 5 hour formalin bath treatments. The quiet valley has 3 pumps running most of the day cycling water into the pond and then after the treatment out of the pond to empty ponds for dilution.
- Kevin is halfway through his month of Thurs. grand jury duty.
- Sam is halfway through reading the retirement packet.
- Steve is about halfway through his temporary laborer time.
- Manager job announcement is out on the computer!

Cole Rivers

- Started Aquaflor treatment on 5215 StW
- Started grading of the 72T14 Rb
- Hauled 72T13 Rb to the Upper Rogue only as far as Farewell Bend campground, due to road closer from National Cr. fire.
- General fish culture
- No other injuries or near misses

Elk River

- No Hot Topics to report, just routine fish culture, liberations, and maintenance.

Leaburg

- No Hot Topics to report, just routine fish culture, fin Clipping, liberations, and maintenance.

Marion Forks

- Routine fish culture
- The current (or previous) satellite internet service provider can no longer service the Marion Forks hatchery. On the 7th ISD started communications with an alternative provider, obtained approval from DAS to go outside and contract directly. It appears that the new cost will be approximately \$179/mo versus \$742/mo and providing speed ten times faster.

McKenzie

- We have been collecting a few more fish the last few days. There may be near 50 fish in the trap which we will process on Monday when we have enough staff on hand. For a while there we were getting a fish every other day, now we seem to be getting two or three fish a night.
- Interviews for the vacant Senior Tech position were held this week. Nice to see that we have a great pool of applicants ready to take on this responsibility.
- River flows seemed to be stable at approximately 1800 CFS upstream 6 miles at the Vida gauge. EWEB passes 1050 CFS below Leaburg Dam to maintain minimum stream flow requirements. At this time EWEB can still divert 700+ CFS into the Leaburg Canal where our main intake is located. The canal tends to be a couple of degrees warmer than the river, this week we have seen temps range from 61 F – 65 F. Would like to see cooler temps but so far so good, like everyone still praying for rain.

Minto

- No hot topics for this week, routine fish culture and maintenance

Roaring River

- The 10 day treatment on our 72T14 Rb fingerlings for CWD is still ongoing. We have been feeding them TM- 200 at (10mg/100lbs. of fish) for 8 days now and the mortality has dropped by over 50%. We don't see nearly as many moribund fish in the ponds and things are looking better.
- Marking is going well, we have completed marking the 2415 StS and they are currently working on the 38W15 StW. We hope to finish the StW today and we will begin marking the Rb next week.
- We were issued a kill permit for some problem otters, and we were able to trap and kill one this week. We are hoping to trap a couple more because we have confirmed there are at least three causing damage. Last season we came up 2000 fish short in our trophy Rb ponds.

Rock Creek

- We discovered a compromised door the high water intake of the North Umpqua pump station last Friday. It is very possible a recent problem w/ pump #1 could have been caused by the infiltration of sand and gravel into the main pump vault. We are in the process of early releasing some of the heavier raceways to shut down the 5th river pump and run on the 3 middle pumps 2,3,&4 which are better protected behind a wooden caged structure.
- Transferred 551 ChF smolts to Winchester Bay net pens six weeks early to alleviate water demand and enable the shutting down the other vulnerable pump. 2 trucks from Cole Rivers and one from Rock Creek loaded 80,000 fish, the smaller 1000 gallon truck from Cole Rivers broke a belt and before a transfer or repair could be made the 18k fish load expired. 1000 fish were spared and direct released into the main stem Umpqua at tide water near Scottsburg as per direction from district bio Greg Huchko. Unfortunately there wasn't a backup system on this liberation unit.
- Started the planting of the trophy trout to Clearwater Forbay2, Lemolo, and Lake Marie. We should finish trophy plants by end of next week which usually target Labor Day weekend.
- Lawrence VanEgdom cross trained for 3 days this week and is interested in the Technician position which was just approved to fill.
- The Cable Crossing fire is virtually completely contained and the fire camp has been dissolved. We are breathing a little easier, although there is enough summer left to influence fire behavior.

S. Santiam

- The Foster Trap was operated on Tuesday of this week. All unmarked ChS are now being held until water temps drop.

Species	Weekly Total	Cum. Total	Recycled*	Rel. Upstream
StW (2415)	0	129	Na	129
StS (2416)	4	462	51	Na
ChS	36	5998	2437	445

- *StS recycled numbers are cumulative and include reruns.
- Marking was completed on our StS Juveniles on Monday. A six station manual marking trailer was delivered on Tuesday, and marking and tagging of our ChS Juveniles started Wednesday.
- Sara from pathology was here on Wednesday.
- Brett assisted the USACE with a tour of the Foster Fish Facility.
- We donated 83 Chinook to a local food bank on Thursday.

Willamette

- No hot topics for this week, routine fish culture and maintenance