

April 12, 2022

Columbia River and Tributary Fishery Reports

Updates: Mainstem and tributary

Columbia River Mainstem

Salmon/Steelhead:

Mainstem Columbia River from Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam:

Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam:

Immediately until further notice: Closed to fishing for salmon, steelhead and shad.

Mainstem Columbia River from Bonneville Dam upstream to the Highway 395 Bridge at Pasco:

Bonneville Dam upstream to Tower Island power lines:

Immediately through May 5, 2022: Open to bank angling for hand-cast lines only. Daily limit 6, up to 2 adults may be retained of which up to 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

Tower Island power lines upstream to Hwy. 730 at the Washington/Oregon border:

Immediately through May 5, 2022: Open to boat and bank angling. Daily limit 6, up to 2 adults may be retained of which up to 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook. Release wild steelhead.

Sturgeon:

Columbia River, from Buoy 10 upstream to McNary Dam, including adjacent tributaries:

Catch and release fishing only. Fishing for sturgeon at night is closed.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Deep River (Wahkiakum Co.):

Permanent rules in effect.

Cowlitz River:

Immediately through April 30, 2022, from the mouth to the posted markers below the Barrier Dam: Daily limit 6, up to 2 adults may be retained of which up to 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook and hatchery coho.

Effective May 1, 2022: Salmon closed.

Kalama River:

Immediately until further notice, from the mouth to 1,000 feet below the fishway at Kalama Falls hatchery: The daily salmon limit is 6 fish, of which only 1 may be an adult. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook and hatchery coho.

Salmon Creek:

Effective immediately through May 27, 2022, from the mouth to the 182nd Avenue Bridge: Hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 3. Selective Gear Rules in effect, except use of barbed hooks is allowed.

Wind River:

Effective immediately until further notice, from the mouth to 800 yards downstream of Carson National Fish Hatchery: Salmon and hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 6. Up to 1 adult salmon and 1 hatchery steelhead or up to 2 hatchery steelhead may be retained. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

Drano Lake:

Effective immediately until further notice, in the waters downstream of markers on the point of land downstream and across from Little White Salmon National Fish Hatchery and upstream of the Highway 14 bridge: Salmon and hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 2, of which up to 1 may be an adult Chinook. Release all salmon other than hatchery Chinook.

Klickitat River:

From the mouth to Fisher Hill Bridge: Effective April 1 through May 27, 2022: Salmon and hatchery steelhead: Daily limit 2, of which up to 1 may be an adult salmon. Release wild Chinook. Open Mondays, Wednesdays, and Saturdays only.

- Beginning May 28, 2022 until further notice: Salmon: Daily limit 6, of which up to 1 may be an adult. Release wild Chinook.

Klickitat River:

From 400 feet upstream of #5 fishway to boundary markers below Klickitat Salmon Hatchery: Effective May 28, 2022 until further notice: Salmon: Daily limit 6, of which up to 1 may be an adult. Release wild Chinook.

Fishery Reports:

Lower Columbia River mainstem Buoy 10 upstream to Bonneville Dam – 1,109 salmonid boats and 257 Washington bank rods were tallied during Wednesday's (4/6) flight count.

Mainstem Columbia River:**Salmon/Steelhead:**

Sec 1 (Bonneville) – 179 bank anglers kept 12 Chinook and released one Chinook. 1 boat/1 rod had no catch.

Sec 2 (Camas/Washougal) – 14 boats/30 rods kept one Chinook.

Sec 3 (I-5 area) – 50 boats/123 rods kept 23 Chinook and released two Chinook.

Sec 4 (Vancouver) – Five bank anglers had no catch. 18 boats/38 rods kept nine Chinook.

Sec 5 (Woodland) – 20 bank anglers had no catch. 40 boats/94 rods kept 24 Chinook and released three Chinook.

Sec 6 (Kalama) – 26 bank anglers had no catch. 51 boats/131 rods kept 28 Chinook and released one Chinook.

Sec 7 (Cowlitz) – 11 boats/35 rods kept 22 Chinook and released two Chinook.

Sec 8 (Longview) – 20 bank anglers had no catch. 161 boats/375 rods kept 61 Chinook, two jacks, one steelhead and released eight Chinook and one steelhead.

Sec 9 (Cathlamet) – 19 bank anglers had no catch. 5 boats/9 rods had no catch.

Sec 10 (Cathlamet) – 102 boats/251 rods kept 75 Chinook, two jacks and released two Chinook.

Columbia River Tributaries

Salmon/Steelhead:

Cowlitz River I-5 Br downstream – 95 bank rods kept two Chinook, 12 steelhead and released one Chinook and two steelhead. 1 boat/1 rod had no catch.

Cowlitz River Above the I-5 Br – 20 bank rods kept two steelhead.

Kalama River – 38 bank rods kept two steelhead and released three steelhead. 9 boats/22 rods kept two Chinook, one steelhead and released three steelhead.

Lewis River – 38 bank rods kept three Chinook. 6 boats/13 rods kept six Chinook and released one Chinook and one steelhead.

Wind River – Two bank rods had no catch.

Drano Lake – One bank rod had no catch. 14 boat/29 rods kept three Chinook and released one Chinook.