

## EVALUATION OF THE HATCHERY-WILD COMPOSITION OF IDAHO SALMON AND STEELHEAD HARVEST

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#### Abstract

Steelhead trout Oncorhynchus mykiss fisheries in Idaho are monitored to assess hatchery steelhead harvest contribution, distribution, and return rates. Coded wire tags are retrieved from steelhead harvested by anglers, and harvest estimates are made by month and river section.

During the fall of 1986 and spring of 1987 seasons, 39,436 steelhead anglers were interviewed and their catch examined. We inspected $16.7 \%$ (7,764 fish) of the total estimated harvest and retrieved 380 coded wire tags from 41 tag groups. The total estimated harvest for the $1986-87$ season was 45,698 hatchery fish and 230 wild fish. The total estimated harvest of steelhead reared by the Lower Snake River Compensation Plan (LSRCP) was 13,999 fish, and an additional 2,967 returned to hatcheries and other release sites. In the Salmon River, LSRCP fish supported 48\% of the harvest.

Adult harvest rates for LSRCP-raised steelhead released in the Salmon River headwaters were $85.5 \%$ for A-strain, and $80.6 \%$ for B-strain fish. Adult returns to Idaho of A-strain steelhead raised in LSRCP hatcheries have returned as high as $2.54 \%$ of the number released.


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## INTRODUCTION

Chinook salmon Oncorhynchus tshawytcha and steelhead trout o. mykiss are being raised in Idaho hatcheries to mitigate for losses caused by the construction of hydroelectric dams. 'Adults returning to hatcheries are commingled with each other and with wild stocks. In the Snake River, fish destined for Idaho are also commingled with adults returning to Oregon and Washington streams.

The main purpose of this project is to determine the composition of the anadromous fish harvest in the Idaho fishery and to estimate the adult harvest contribution from juveniles produced in LSRCP hatcheries. Contribution to the Idaho fishery is a cursory measure of performance of LSRCP fish. No harvest was allowed on chinook salmon, so this report pertains only to steelhead.

Harvest management of steelhead in Idaho is directed toward harvest of hatchery fish and protection of wild and naturally produced fish. Currently, wild stocks are below escapement goals and protection is necessary to perpetuate these fish over the long run. Beginning in 1984, all hatchery-produced steelhead smolts released in Idaho rivers and streams have had the adipose fin excised before release. Adults returning can then be identified to be of hatchery origin and selectively harvested.

From 1983 through the spring of 1985, differential harvest of Salmon River steelhead was based on dorsal fin height. In 1985-86, hatchery steelhead with dorsal fins less than $21 / 4$ inches in height, or with adipose fin clips, could be legally possessed. In the Snake River, dorsal fin height of two inches was used to differentiate hatchery steelhead until 1985-86 when adipose fin clips were legal. No differential harvest regulations were in effect in the clearwater River drainage in 1985-86 (Ball 1988).

In the fall of 1986 and spring of 1987 seasons, "only steelhead which have been marked by clipping the adipose fin, as evidenced by a HEALED scar, may be reduced to possession in the Snake, Clearwater, and Salmon River drainages." On the Snake River, steelhead without adipose fin clips, but with dorsal fins less than two inches in height, were also legal. Therefore, in 1986-87, all adult hatchery steelhead returning to Idaho were adipose fin clipped; except fish returning after three ocean-years. Only about 4\% of the hatchery steelhead returning to the Clearwater drainage spend three years in the ocean, and these fish were not legal harvest. An insignificant number of three-ocean-year hatchery steelhead returned to the Salmon River.

The consumptive season opened August 30 on the Snake and Salmon rivers, and October 15 on the Clearwater River. Bag limits were 3 per day, 9 in possession, and 20 per season for the Snake and Salmon rivers in the fall and in the spring season. Bag limits for the Clearwater River were 2 per day, 4 in possession, and 10 for the fall season and 3, 9, and 20 for the spring season. The Clearwater River was also open to catch-and-release fishing from August 30 through October 14.

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Fall seasons end December 31, and spring seasons begin January 1 , so there is no time gap between seasons. Bag limits, season length, and special regulations are adjusted for the spring season to achieve management goals. Water conditions during the spring season are a major factor in the location and number of fish harvested.

The spring season on the Snake and Clearwater rivers closed April 30. On the Salmon River, the spring season closed from the mouth up to Long Tom Creek, near the Middle Fork Salmon River, on March 31, and from there upstream to Redfish Lake Creek on April 30.

The Little Salmon River was open from the mouth up to the Highway 95 bridge, near Smokey Boulder Road, from January 1 through April 30. Limits were the same as the Salmon River.

Representative groups of marked steelhead are included in each major release group. Mark groups are representative in size and time of release and, if possible, in fish health. Coded wire tags are implanted in the snout of the fish, and the left ventral fin is clipped prior to release to allow identification of the fish with coded wire tags. Anglers are interviewed in all major harvest areas to recover these tags from the fishery. Information is collected on timing, straying, exploitation, harvest distribution, and relative abundance for wild and hatchery stocks. Total harvested numbers are generated by a statewide telephone harvest survey, and the composition of the harvest is derived from tag recoveries.

## OBJECTIVES

Identify in the Idaho sport fishery the number and proportion of the harvest that is produced by LSRCP hatcheries.

Determine the spawning escapement of LSRCP stocks in Idaho.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Initiate a program to estimate the harvest of steelhead released in Idaho that are harvested in downstream fisheries.

Increase the intensity of survey efforts on the lower Snake River to two days each week, in conjunction with Washington Department of Wildlife, to improve documentation of LSRCP fish released in the Tucannon River, and from Lyons Ferry Hatchery.

Release 5,000 Passive Integrated Transponders (PIT) from each hatchery site and in one off-site release area to determine how many steelhead return to the project area.

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Table 1. River location codes for Idaho's anadromous fisheries.

| River section | Location <br> code |
| :--- | ---: |
| Snake River, below Salmon River | 01 |
| Snake River, above Salmon River | 02 |
| Clearwater River, below Orofino Bridge | 03 |
| Clearwater River, above Orofino Bridge | 04 |
| North Fork Clearwater River | 05 |
| Middle Fork Clearwater River | 06 |
| South Fork Clearwater River | 07 |
| Selway River | 08 |
| Lochsa River | 09 |
| Salmon River, below Whitebird Creek | 10 |
| Salmon River, Whitebird Creek to Little Salmon | 11 |
| Salmon River, Little Salmon to Vinegar Creek | 12 |
| Salmon River, Vinegar Creek to South Fork | 13 |
| Salmon River, South Fork to Middle Fork | 14 |
| Salmon River, Middle Fork to North Fork | 15 |
| Salmon River, North Fork to Lemhi River | 16 |
| Salmon River, Lemhi River to Pahsimeroi River | 17 |
| Salmon River, Pahsimeroi River to East Fork | 18 |
| Salmon River, above East Fork | 19 |
| Little Salmon River | 20 |
| South Fork Salmon River | 21 |
| Middle Fork Salmon River | 22 |
| North Fork Salmon River | 23 |
| Lemhi River | 24 |
| Pahsimeroi River | 25 |
| East Fork Salmon River | 26 |
| Snake River, Oxbow | 27 |
| Boise River | 28 |



Figure 1. Map of the steelhead harvest area and River Location Codes in Idaho.

Develop a manual for separating age classes of both A-strain and B-strain steelhead in the fishery and in hatchery returns.

Install an adult counting weir on the Little Salmon River or Slate Creek to evaluate adult returns and spawning escapement.

Continue to include coded wire tags in each smolt release that are representative in size, time of release, and fish health.

## DESCRIPTION OF STUDY AREA

There are three major river systems in Idaho where steelhead are harvested: the Snake, Clearwater, and Salmon rivers (Figure 1 and Table 1). All of Idaho's steelhead harvest is included in this study, except the upper Snake (02) and the Boise River (28). These two sections are excluded because no steelhead produced by the LSRCP are harvested there. Steelhead are blocked from reaching the Boise River by the dams on the Snake River, but a portion of the fish returning to Hells Canyon Dam are transplanted and released there to be harvested. These fish are from the Idaho Power Company mitigation program.

## METHODS

## Creel Survey

Angler interviews were conducted at check stations and from jet boats and roving vehicles. Techniques were tailored to sportsman access and harvest methods, which vary considerably in Idaho. For example, on the Clearwater River, a major portion of the fall and winter harvest is taken by boat fishermen, so survey efforts concentrate on interviewing boat anglers. In late spring, the density of boats in a small area is so high it is prohibitive to try to sample anglers on the water. Therefore, survey efforts are divided between major boat launch sites. In the roadless area of the Salmon River almost all of the angler access is by boat, but most of the fishing effort is from shore. Anglers are contacted at check stations, from jet boats, and by roving creel clerks.

During angler interviews, data is collected on: number of hours fished, number of fish kept or released, wild or hatchery origin of fish kept or released, total length of fish kept, and date and river section where fish were caught. Each fish observed is inspected for tags and fin clips. Snouts are removed from any fish with an abnormality of the left ventral fin for coded wire tag retrieval, except when anglers desire to keep their fish intact.

Water conditions during the fall season are usually conducive to harvest, and the interview schedule can be followed. During the spring season, high turbid flows can reduce harvest to near zero. Anglers are not interviewed during periods of very low harvest.

## Interview Schedule

Lower Snake River (01) - by jet boat, six weekends during the fall and five weekends during the spring season.

Lower Clearwater River and North Fork (03 and 05) - by roving vehicle 2 days each week and by jet boat 2 days each week, for 15 weeks in the fall and 10 weeks in the spring season. Interview from boat ramps for the last six weeks of the spring season.

Upper Clearwater River and South Fork Clearwater River (04 and 07) - by roving vehicle on the Upper Clearwater in the fall and on both rivers in the spring, for two weekends and two weekdays per week, for eight weeks in the fall and ten weeks in the spring.

## Salmon River

Section 10 - by jet boat six weekends in the fall and five weekends in the spring season.

Section 11 - interview by roving vehicle ten weekends in the fall and eight weekends in the spring season.

Section 12 - by a check station at the old lumber mill near Riggins, for ten weekends in the fall and eight weekends in the spring season.

Section 13 - by jet boat between Vinegar Creek and the South Fork, on six weekends in the fall and five weekends in the spring.

Section 14 - by jet boat for six weekends in the fall and five weekends in the spring season.

Section 15 - by a check station at North Fork for ten weekends in the fall and eight weekends in the spring season.

Section 16 - by roving vehicle for six weekends in the fall and six weekends in the spring season.

Section 17 - by roving vehicle for six weekends in the fall and six weekends in the spring season.

Section 18 - by roving vehicle for six weekends in the spring season.
Section 19 - by roving vehicle for six weekends in the spring season.
Section 20 - by roving vehicle for six weekends in the spring season.

## Data Analysis

Harvest estimates for each river section are obtained from Federal Aid in Fish Restoration projects (McArthur 1988, 1989).

The number of fish checked for marks from each river section, divided by the harvest estimate, yields the sampling rate for each river section by month. Harvested fish, that were not seen during the interviews, were not included when expressing the proportion of the estimated harvest that was marked.

Hatchery-wild proportions are reported for fish kept and for total catch, including released fish when their origin could be assessed by anglers. The harvest of hatchery fish is the product of the hatchery proportion observed in anglers' creels and the estimated harvest from statewide surveys by month. Seasonal numbers of hatchery fish reported are the summation of monthly statistics. Hatchery fish harvest estimates for months when harvest was minimal, and there were no fish checked, were calculated by using the percent hatchery calculation from the last month that data was available. These estimates were applied during winter, when fish movement is minimal and the proportion of hatchery fish should be constant. Harvest estimates of fish marked with coded wire tags, were calculated by dividing the number of tags recovered by the sampling rate, expressed as a decimal, and then rounded to whole numbers.

Harvest estimates for unmarked groups were made from representative mark groups or companion groups. Hatchery returns were classified by strain (A or B) and ocean-age, using lengths of previous known-age coded wire tag returns. Marked returns to hatchery racks were subtracted from total returns by strain and ocean-age. Performance of unmarked rack returns was assumed to apply to the total harvest of those unmarked groups. Where more than one unmarked group was returning to a release site, the estimates of harvest and hatchery return were calculated on the total of the unmarked fish, and assumed to apply equally to each group. No estimated returns were attempted for the unmarked groups returning to Allison Creek or Slate Creek.

Exploitation rates are the estimated numbers of fish harvested, divided by the sum of the harvest numbers and the number of fish that returned to the hatchery.

## RESULTS

During the fall of 1986 and spring of 1987 seasons, 39,436 anglers were contacted (Tables $2-16$ ). Of the 8,728 harvested fish recorded during our interviews, we physically examined 7,764 fish for marks, and removed snouts from marked fish for retrieval of coded wire tags. The proportion of the total fall and spring harvest estimates, reported by McArthur (1988, 1989), that we inspected was 16.7\% (Table 17).

Table 2. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from lower Snake River (01), September 1986 - March 1987.

| Dates | No. anqlers | Total hours fished | Steelhead <br> Hatcherv | kept <br> Wild | Steelhead Hatcherv | $\begin{array}{r} \text { released } \\ \text { Wild } \end{array}$ | Total | Hours/ fish | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September | 244 | 553 | 11 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 14 | 40 | 79 |
| October | 1,160 | 4,082 | 110 | 2 | 12 | 115 | 239 | 17 | 51 |
| November | 1,049 | 4,113 | 118 | 1 | 4 | "147 | 270 | 15 | 45 |
| December | 237 | 938 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 16 | 52 | 18 | 69 |
| Fall subtotal | 2,690 | 9,686 | 275 | 3 | 16 | 281 | 575 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 | 51 |
| January | 328 | 957 | 27 | 1 | 0 | 33 | 61 | 16 | 44 |
| February | 164 | 469 | 8 | 1 | 0 | 14 | 23 | 20 | 35 |
| March | 15 | 47 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 8 | 6 | 25 |
| Spring subtotal | 507 | 1,473 | 37 | 2 | 0 | 53 | 92 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 16 | 40 |
| Total | 3,197 | 11,159 | 312 | 5 | 16 | 334 | 667 |  |  |
| _ Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 | 49 |

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Table 3. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from lower Clearwater River (03) and North Fork (05), October 1986 - April 1987.

| Dates | No. | Total hnirs | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released | Total | Hours/fish | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | anqlers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild |  |  |  |
| October 11-31 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boat | 1,597 | 6,449 | 166 | 4 | 9 | 87 | 266 | 24 | 66 |
| Shore | 318 | 834 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 14 | 60 | 57 |
| Total | 1,915 | 7,283 | 174 | 4 | 9 | 93 | 280 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 26 | 65 |
| November |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boat | 2,263 | 9,302 | 384 | 3 | 7 | 92 | 486 | 19 | 80 |
| Shore | 459 | 1,240 | 30 | 0 | 5 | 18 | 53 | 23 | 66 |
| Total | 2,722 | 10,542 | 414 | 3 | 12 | 110 | 539 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | 79 |
| December |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boat | 1,509 | 6,361 | 344 | 0 | 25 | 134 | 503 | 13 | 73 |
| Shore | 384 | 1,464 | 40 | 0 | 5 | 8 | 53 | 28 | 85 |
| Total | 1,893 | 7,825 | 384 | 0 | 30 | 142 | 556 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14 | 74 |
| Fall subtotal | 6,530 | 25,650 | 972 | 7 | 51 | 345 | 1,375 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 19 | 74 |

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Table 3. (continued)

| Dates | No. anqlers | Total hours fished | Steelhead Hatchery | kept <br> Wild | Steelhead |  | Total | Hours/ fish | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | Hatchery | Wild |  |  |  |
| April |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Boat | 70 | 402 | 60 | 0 | 0 | 7 | 67 | 6 | 90 |
| Shore | 315 | 1,543 | 211 | 2 | 9 | 15 | 237 | 7 | 93 |
| Total | 385 | 1,945 | 271 | 2 | 9 | 22 | 304 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 6 | 92 |
| Spring subtotal | 3,913 | 19,808 | 1,101 | 14 | 79 | 169 | 1,363 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 87 |
| Total | 10,443 | 45,458 | 2,073 | 21 | 130 | 514 | 2,738 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 17 | 80 |

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Table 4. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from upper Clearwater River (04) and Middle Fork (06), October 1986 - April 1987.

|  | No. | Total hnirs | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | andlers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| October | 312 | 937 | 40 | 0 | 3 | 19 | 62 | 15 | 69 |
| November | 529 | 1,720 | 79 | 0 | 7 | 23 | 109 | 16 | 79 |
| December | 138 | 584 | 30 | 0 | 5 | 6 | 41 | 14 | 85 |
| Fall subtotal | 979 | 3,241 | 149 | 0 | 15 | 48 | 212 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 77 |
| February | 634 | 2,048 | 110 | 0 | 14 | 23 | 147 | 14 | 84 |
| March | 1,108 | 3,960 | 206 | 0 | 39 | 41 | 286 | 14 | 86 |
| April | 75 | 282 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 31 | 67 |
| Spring subtotal | 1,817 | 6,290 | 322 | 0 | 53 | 67 | 442 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14 | 85 |
| Total | 2,796 | 9,531 | 471 | 0 | 68 | 115 | 654 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 82 |

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Table 5. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from South Fork Clearwater River (07), February - April 1987.

|  | No. | Total hours | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead Hatchery | $\frac{\text { released }}{\text { Wild }}$ |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | analers | fished | Hatchery | Wild |  |  | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| February | 73 | 151 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 15 | 10 | 80 |
| March | 646 | 2,068 | 109 | 0 | 8 | 6 | 123 | 17 | 95 |
| April | 780 | 4,053 | 264 | 0 | 47 | 48 | 359 | 11 | 87 |
| Spring total | 1,499 | 6,272 | 385 | 0 | 55 | 57 | 497 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 13 | 89 |

Table 6. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 10, September 1986 - February 1987.

|  | No. | Total hoirs | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead r | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | anqlers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild | Total |  | (total catch) |
| September | 29 | 101 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 34 | 100 |
| October | 499 | 2,627 | 77 | 0 | 1 | 70 | 148 | 18 | 53 |
| November | 150 | 639 | 38 | 0 | 1 | 38 | 77 | 8 | 51 |
| Fall subtotal | 678 | 3,367 | 118 | 0 | 2 | 108 | 228 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 53 |
| February | 13 | 42 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 8 | 5 | 75 |
| Spring subtotal | 13 | 42 | 2 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 8 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 5 | 75 |
| Total | 691 | 3,409 | 120 | 0 | 6 | 110 | 236 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 14 | 53 |

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Table 7. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 11, September 1986 - March 1987.


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Table 8. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 12, September 1986 - March 1987 .

| Dates | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { anglers } \end{aligned}$ | Total hours fished | Steelhead Hatchery | kept <br> Wild | Steelhead Hatchery | $\begin{array}{r} \text { released } \\ \text { Wild } \end{array}$ | Total | Hours/ fish | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September | 86 | 347 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 33 | 70 |
| October | 867 | 5,771 | 137 | 0 | 9 | 61 | 207 | 28 | 71 |
| November | 745 | 5,023 | 147 | 0 | 10 | 42 | 199 | 25 | 79 |
| Fall subtotal | 1,698 | 11,141 | 292 | 0 | 19 | 105 | 416 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 27 | 75 |
| February | 251 | 920 | 27 | 0 | 0 | 13 | 40 | 23 | 68 |
| March | 472 | 2,058 | 15 | 1 | 3 | 6 | 25 | 82 | 72 |
| Spring subtotal | 723 | 2,978 | 42 | 1 | 3 | 19 | 65 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 46 | 69 |
| Total | 2,421 | 14,119 | 334 | 1 | 22 | 124 | 481 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 29 | 74 |

Table 9. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 13, September 1986 - March 1987.


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Table 10. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 14, September 1986 - March 1987 .

| Dates | No. anglers | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Total } \\ \text { hours } \\ \text { fished } \end{array}$ | Steelhead Hatchery | $\begin{aligned} & \text { kept } \\ & \text { Wild } \end{aligned}$ | Steelhead Hatchery | $\begin{array}{r} \text { released } \\ \text { Wild } \end{array}$ | Total | $\begin{gathered} \text { Hours/ } \\ \text { fish } \end{gathered}$ | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September | 80 | 807 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 6 | 13 | 62 | 54 |
| October | 827 | 7,743 | 211 | 0 | 9 | 150 | 370 | 21 | 59 |
| November | 566 | 5,553 | 391 | 0 | 33 | 120 | 544 | 10 | 78 |
| Fall subtotal | 1,473 | 14,103 | 609 | 0 | 42 | 276 | 927 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 70 |
| February | 190 | 1,902 | 200 | 0 | 28 | 91 | 319 | 6 | 71 |
| March | 380 | 4,536 | 147 | 0 | 23 | 215 | 385 | 12 | 44 |
| Spring subtotal | 570 | 6,438 | 347 | 0 | 51 | 306 | 658 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 9 | 57 |
| Total | 2,043 | 20,541 | 956 | 0 | 93 | 582 | 1,631 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 13 | 64 |

Table 11. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 15, September 1986 - April 1987.

| Dates | No. anqlers | Total hnirs fished | Steelhead Hatchery | kept Wild | Steelhead Hatchery | $\begin{array}{r} \text { released } \\ \text { Wild } \end{array}$ | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hours } / \\ & \text { fish } \end{aligned}$ | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| September | 271 | 1,987 | 35 | 1 | 1 | 10 | 47 | 42 | 77 |
| October | 2,090 | 21,397 | 709 | 3 | 63 | 163 | 938 | 23 | 82 |
| November | 1,838 | 22,960 | 1,070 | 0 | 101 | 220 | 1,391 | 17 | 84 |
| Fall subtotal | 4,199 | 46,344 | 1,814 | 4 | 165 | 393 | 2,376 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | 83 |
| February | 632 | 3,929 | 164 | 1 | 15 | 45 | 225 | 17 | 80 |
| March | 2,031 | 19,450 | 630 | 1 | 112 | 134 | 877 | 22 | 85 |
| April | 37 | 246 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Spring subtotal | 2,700 | 23,625 | 794 | 2 | 127 | 179 | 1,102 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 21 | 84 |
| Total | 6,899 | 69,969 | 2,608 | 6 | 292 | 572 | 3,478 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 20 | 83 |

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Table 12. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 16, September 1986 - April 1987.

|  | No. | Total hnirs | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | analers | fished | Hatcherv | Wild | Hatcherv | Wild | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| September | 2 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 6 | 100 |
| October | 580 | 2,594 | 146 | 1 | 1 | 26 | 174 | 15 | 84 |
| November | 327 | 1,254 | 72 | 0 | 2 | 10 | 84 | 15 | 88 |
| Fall subtotal | 909 | 3,854 | 219 | 1 | 3 | 36 | 259 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 15 | 86 |
| February | 282 | 1,183 | 36 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 46 | 26 | 78 |
| March | 389 | 1,764 | 42 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 56 | 32 | 80 |
| April | 19 | 58 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Spring subtotal | 720 | 3,019 | 90 | 0 | 3 | 21 | 114 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 26 | 82 |
| Total | 1,629 | 6,873 | 309 | 1 | 6 | 57 | 373 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | 84 |

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Table 13. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 17, October 1986 - April 1987.

|  | No. | Total hnire | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | andlers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| October | 41 | 65 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 22 | 67 |
| November | 13 | 25 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 25 | 100 |
| Fall subtotal | 54 | 90 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 4 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 23 | 75 |
| February | 456 | 1,751 | 23 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 28 | 63 | 82 |
| March | 1,753 | 8,892 | 214 | 0 | 14 | 17 | 245 | 36 | 93 |
| April | 510 | 2,640 | 77 | 0 | 24 | 10 | 111 | 24 | 91 |
| Spring subtotal | 2,719 | 13,283 | 314 | 0 | 38 | 32 | 384 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35 | 92 |
| Total | 2,773 | 13,373 | 317 | 0 | 38 | 33 | 388 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35 | 92 |

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Table 14. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 18, February - April 1987 .

|  | No. | Total hours | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | anglers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| February | 66 | 119 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 119 | 100 |
| March | 616 | 2,719 | 89 | 0 | 7 | 11 | 107 | 25 | 90 |
| April | 410 | 1,206 | 21 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 23 | 52 | 91 |
| Spring subtotal | 1,092 | 4,004 | 111 | 1 | 7 | 12 | 131 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 31 | 90 |

Table 15. Steelhead fishery interview data (unexpanded) from Salmon River section 19, March - April 1987 .

| Dates | Total |  |  |  |  |  | Total | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Hours/ } \\ & \text { fish } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | Percent hatchery (total catch) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | anglers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild |  |  |  |
| March | 661 | 2,184 | 121 | 0 | 4 | 4 | 129 | 17 | 97 |
| April | 876 | 1,911 | 93 | 0 | 6 | 6 | 105 | 18 | 89 |
| Spring subtotal | 1,537 | 4,095 | 214 | 0 | 10 | 10 | 234 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 | 96 |

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Table 16. Steelhead fishery interview data (unxpanded) from Salmon River section 20, February - April 1987.

|  | No. | Total hours | Steelhead | kept | Steelhead | released |  | Hours/ | Percent hatchery |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Dates | andlers | fished | Hatchery | Wild | Hatchery | Wild | Total | fish | (total catch) |
| February | 81 | 206 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 52 | 100 |
| March | 284 | 864 | 165 | 0 | 1 | 4 | 170 | 5 | 98 |
| April | 212 | 580 | 71 | 0 | 2 | 5 | 78 | 7 | 94 |
| Spring subtotal | 577 | 1,650 | 240 | 0 | 3 | 9 | 252 |  |  |
| Average |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 7 | 96 |

Table 17. Proportion of estimated harvest by river section that was examined for marks.

| River | section | No. fish checked | Estimated harvest | Sample rate |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 01 | 290 | 3,049 | 9.5 |
|  | 03 \& 05 | 1,828 | 12,635 | 14.5 |
|  | 04 | 322 | 2,487 | 12.9 |
|  | 07 | 314 | 696 | 45.1 |
|  | 10 | 108 | 2,589 | 4.2 |
|  | 11 | 59 | 1,636 | 3.6 |
|  | 12 | 308 | 1,537 | 20.0 |
|  | 13 | 164 | 599 | 27.4 |
|  | 14 | 852 | 3,316 | 25.7 |
|  | 15 | 2,495 | 9,492 | 26.3 |
|  | 16 | 207 | 2,167 | 9.6 |
|  | 17 | 289 | 2,661 | 10.9 |
|  | 18 | 96 | 615 | 15.6 |
|  | 19 | 206 | 1,573 | 13.1 |
|  | 20 | $\underline{226}$ | 876 | $\underline{25.8}$ |
|  | Total | 7,764 | 45,928 |  |
|  | Average |  |  | 16.7 |

Estimates of the hatchery fish harvest, by month and river sections (except 02 and 28), are consolidated by season in Table 18. Total harvest for all river sections was 45,928 steelhead, of which only 230 ( $0.5 \%$ ) were of wild origin.

From 546 snouts that were excised, we recovered 380 coded wire tags. The proportion of tags recovered from the number of fish checked for marks was $4.9 \%$. Coded wire tags were recovered from 41 tags groups. The number of tags recovered, the estimated harvest by month and river section, and the total estimated harvest for the season are listed in Appendix A.

Coded wire tags were recovered from all marked groups of A-strain fish released in Idaho. There were two marked groups of B-strain fish returning to the East Fork Salmon River, after one ocean-year, that did not yield a tag, and ten (nine from the Clearwater River and one from the East Fork Salmon River) returning after three ocean-years, from which no tags were recovered (Appendices B and C).

Coded wire tags were also recovered from Washington tag groups released in the Grand Ronde River (62/16/27 and 62/16/28); the Tucannon River (62/16/29, 62/16/30 and 63/32/14); and Lyons Ferry Hatchery (62/16/44). In addition to the National Marine Fisheries Service marked groups released from the Clearwater River drainage, we recovered tags from two marked groups transported to Bonneville Dam (23/18/11 and 23/18/12) and four groups (23/16/44, 23/16/46, $23 / 16 / 51$ and $23 / 16 / 52$ ) that were marked at Lower Granite Dam and released at Beacon Rock on the Columbia River (Johnson 1988).

Estimates of total returns of LSRCP-reared fish are summarized in Table 19. All Idaho returns from the LSRCP program, that returned in 1986-87, were from releases in the Salmon River. However, they were also recovered in the Snake and Clearwater rivers. The total estimated return of adult steelhead in 1986-87 from fish reared by the LSRCP is 16,966, of which 13,999 (82.5\%) were harvested, and 2,967 were estimated to return to the release sites. Contribution of the LSRCP to Idaho's total hatchery steelhead harvest (except Sections 02 and 28) in 1986-87 was $30.6 \%$. In the Salmon River, LSRCP-reared fish sustained about $48 \%$ of the total hatchery harvest. LSRCP-reared fish sustained a very high exploitation rate. Returns of A-strain steelhead released from Sawtooth Hatchery in the headwaters of the Salmon River were exploited at the rate of $85.5 \%$. Returns of B-strain fish to the East Fork Salmon River were exploited at 80.6\%. The exploitation rate on returns to the Little Salmon River is not quantified but was estimated at $50 \%$.

Two coded wire tags were recovered from fish that apparently reared for an additional year after release. Both of these fish were recovered from the Lower Clearwater River. One individual was tagged with 23/16/04, by National Marine Fisheries Service personnel, and released in 1982 from the Clearwater River. This was a B-strain fish and would have spent four years in the ocean. The second individual was an A-strain fish from the 1983 release at Sawtooth Hatchery, and marked with $5 / 13 / 33$, that would have spent three years in the ocean.
18. Estimated number of hatchery steelhead harvested in the lower Snake, Clearwater and Salmon rivers during the 1986-87 seasons.

| River and section | Fall season - 1986 |  |  | Spring season - 1987 |  |  | Total harvest No. hatchery fish |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Estimated harvest ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Percent hatchery | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. hatchery } \\ & \text { fish } \end{aligned}$ | Estimated harvest ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Percent hatchery | $\begin{gathered} \text { No. hatchery } \\ \text { fish } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| Lower Snake River | 2,560 | 99 | 2,534 | 489 | 95 | 464 | 2,998 |
| Lower Clearwater R. and North Fork | 7,348 | 99 | 7,275 | 5,287 | 99 | 5,221 | 12,496 |
| Upper Clearwater R. | 819 | 100 | 819 | 1,668 | 100 | 1,668 | 2,487 |
| S. Fork Clearwater R. | 17 | ND | $17^{\text {b }}$ | 679 | 100 | 679 | 696 |
| Total Clearwater R. | 8,184 |  | 8,111 | 7,634 |  | 7,568 | 15,679 |
| Average |  | 99 |  |  | 99 |  |  |
| Salmon River |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | 2,151 | 100 | 2,151 | 438 | 100 | 438 | 2,589 |
| 11 | 1,310 | 100 | 1,310 | 326 | 93 | 303 | 1,613 |
| 12 | 944 | 100 | 944 | 593 | 98 | 581 | 1,525 |
| 13 | 565 | 100 | 565 | 34 | 100 | 34 | 599 |
| 14 | 2,388 | 100 | 2,388 | 928 | 100 | 928 | 3,316 |
| 15 | 6,577 | 100 | 6,577 | 2,915 | 100 | 2,915 | 9,492 |
| 16 | 1,470 | 100 | 1,470 | 697 | 100 | 697 | 2,167 |
| 17 | 444 | 100 | 444 | 2,217 | 100 | 2,217 | 2,661 |
| 18 | 65 | ND | $65^{\text {b }}$ | 550 1.513 | 99 | 545 1.513 | +610 |
| 19 | 60 | ND | $60^{\text {b }}$ | 1,513 | 100 | 1,513 876 | 1,573 876 |
| 20 | -- | -- | -- | 876 | 100 | 876 | - |
| Total Salmon River | 15,974 |  | 15,974 | 11,087 |  | 11,047 | 27,021 |
| Average |  | 100 |  |  | 99.6 |  |  |
| Total | 26,718 |  | 26,619 | 19,210 |  | 19.079 | 45,698 |

a From statewide surveys.
b Assumed to be of hatchery origin.

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Table 19. Summary of 1986-87 harvest estimates and hatchery returns of steelhead produced by LSRCP hatcheries.


Table 19. (continued)

| Release near | Strain \& ocean-aqe | No. of fish released | Release site | Hatchery rearing | Marks | Estima Harvested | d number of fish Hatchery return ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1983 | B-III | 26,173 | Decker Flat | HNFH | RV fin clip | -- | -- | -- |
| 1983 | B-III | 38,864 | E. Fk. Salmon R. | HNFH | CWT 10/24/60 | -- | -- | -- |
| 1983 | B-III | 49,140 | E. Fk. Salmon R. | MVSH | None | -- | -- | -- |
| 1983 | B-III | 162.723 | E. Fk. Salmon R. | HNFH | None | -- | -- | -- |
| 1983 | B-III | 11.340 | Allison Creek | MVSH | None | -- | -- | -- |
| 1983 | B-III | 32,200 | Slate Creek | MVSH | None | -- | -- | -- |
| Subtotal |  | 320.440 |  |  |  | -- | -- | -- |

a Includes off-site escapement.
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ HNFH = Hagerman National Fish Hatchery.
${ }^{\text {c }}$ Estimated escapement after the the 1986-87 fishery.
d MVSH = Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery.
e 1 fish return to Dworshak National Fish Hatchery.

## DISCUSSION

Adult returns from steelhead juveniles released by the LSRCP program are contributing a significant portion of the harvest in Idaho, as well as in other fisheries downstream. As the program increases, major increases in fish numbers are anticipated. In order to maintain or increase exploitation rates, releases should be carefully planned to distribute the fishery in time and space. Some major harvest areas may be reaching the point where effective harvest rates are already near their maximum limit. If so, increased angler densities will not produce much additional harvest, and as run size increases, exploitation rates could decrease.

## Harvest of Sawtooth Hatchery Releases

Returns of fish released from Sawtooth Hatchery in 1984 are now complete. From a total release of 681,314 smolts, an estimated 17,325 adults returned to Idaho and were either harvested by Idaho fishermen or returned to their release sites. Total return rate for this group is $2.54 \%$ which is exceptional for Idaho steelhead. The proportion that returned after one ocean-year (80.7\%) is higher than most Salmon River A-strain groups in recent years (Ball 1988). The excellent rate of return is the result of good water conditions during their outmigration in 1984, but is also a reflection of large smolt size and their quality when released. A major portion of the 1984 release $(204,150)$ were fish raised at the site of the Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery to test the water supply for rearing steelhead. Unfortunately, these fish were not marked and cannot be separated from the groups raised at Hagerman National Fish Hatchery. Both groups were of above average size and quality (approximately 265 mm average size).

In 1985, a total of 786,186 smolts were released at Sawtooth Hatchery, and after one ocean-year, 11,097 (1.44\%) have returned to Idaho (Table 19). This is less than the one-ocean return rate of $2.05 \%$ that returned from the 1984 release (Ball 1988) but still exceptional.

Returns of steelhead from Sawtooth Hatchery releases are a major
B ALLL contribut ion to
Idaho's harvest in numbers, exploitation, and harvest distribution. The excellent return rates are producing large numbers of returning adults, of which 80\% or more are being harvested. Steelhead reared at Hagerman National Fish Hatchery and Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery, and released at Sawtooth Hatchery in the headwaters of the Salmon River, are the only steelhead in Idaho that have reached Idaho's 80\% exploitation goal for hatchery-raised steelhead. The high exploitation rate is a result of the additional harvest opportunity during the spring season in the Upper Salmon River, where water conditions allow additional harvest later in the spring season. During the spring 1987 fishery, McArthur (1988) reported estimates of 2,389 steelhead caught from Salmon River Sections 18 and 19. The majority of these fish were adults returning to Sawtooth Hatchery.

## Harvest of East Fork Salmon River Releases

The East Fork of The Salmon River has been stocked primarily with B-strain fish that originated from Dworshak National Fish Hatchery on the Clearwater River. Before being transplanted in the East Fork, this run was reared at Niagara Springs Fish Hatchery or Hagerman National Fish Hatchery and released into the Pahsimeroi River. Adults returning from these releases were spawned at the adult facility on the Pahsimeroi River and the eggs shipped to Hagerman National Fish Hatchery for rearing. Therefore, the fish spent one rearing cycle in the Salmon River program before they were transferred to the East Fork of the Salmon River.

Harvest and hatchery return estimates for East Fork steelhead are limited by the absence of marked fish in the 1984 release group. The dominant age group of B-strain fish is two-ocean, and without a marked group, estimates are quite subjective. However, there were sufficient returns of marked groups returning after one ocean-year to calculate an exploitation rate of $80.6 \%$. Unmarked returns to the hatchery rack, coupled with the exploitation rate of one-ocean fish, produced an estimated return of 930 two-ocean fish to Idaho from 393,452 smolts released in 1984 (Table 19). This release group also produced an estimated 620 fish after one ocean-year (Ball, 1988). Therefore, the total return through two ocean-years is 1,550 , and the return rate is $0.39 \%$. Returns of the 1984 release will be complete after the three ocean-year returns in 1987-88. The proportion of the total returns to date from the 1984 release, that returned after one ocean-year, is unusually high (40\%) for B-strain fish. This could be due to some mixing with A-strain fish in previous generations or error in calculating returns without adequate mark groups.

There were 142,600 marked fish released in six mark groups in 1985. Returns from these mark groups will offer the first opportunity for a good analysis of return rates to the East Fork.

## Harvest of Little Salmon River Releases

In 1986-87, adults returned to the Little Salmon River after two oceanyears from 96,425 A-strain fish and 95,624 B-strain fish, both of which were marked (Appendix B). Returns of the A-strain group are complete. After one ocean-year, an estimated 1,501 adults returned (Ball, 1988), and after the second ocean-year, another 196 fish returned to Idaho (Table 19). The total return is 1,697 fish, and the return rate is $1.76 \%$. Of the total return, only about $2.4 \%$ were harvested from the Snake River in Sections 01 and 3.2\% from the Little Salmon River during the short season there. The remainder of the harvest (94.4\%) was taken from the mainstem Salmon River in Sections 10 through 13 (Appendix A; Ball, 1988).

B-strain returns are complete except for a very small number that may return after three ocean-years. An estimated 180 fish ( $0.19 \%$ ) have returned to Idaho
to date. Of these one and two-ocean returns, 95\% returned after two ocean-years (Ball, 1988; Table 19). About 7\% of the harvest came from Sections 01 on the Snake River, 79\% from Sections 11 through 13 on the Salmon River, and $12 \%$ from the Little Salmon River. Returns of B-strain fish were quite disappointing. The A-strain mark group returned nine times as many adults as the B-strain group.

## Sources of Error

The primary sources of error involved in the harvest estimates were discussed by Ball (1986). During the $1986-87$ seasons, all hatchery fish harvested, except B-strain fish returning after three ocean-years, were marked with adipose clips. Since only a small proportion of B-strain fish return after three ocean-years, and none returned from the LSRCP program, no attempt was made to estimate returns.

A source of error that could affect the identification of hatchery fish is the number of adipose fins that were either missed during clipping, were only partially clipped so anglers could not recognize the clip, or adipose fin regeneration. Adipose clips have been used to identify the presence of coded wire tags for about ten years on Idaho steelhead. We have not observed any regeneration of adipose clips during that time. Adipose fins appear to have fewer anomalies than paired fins, and occasionally, there may be a question of differentiating between a partial clip on a hatchery fish and an anomaly. Even though the numbers of fish being adipose clipped is very large, preliminary indications are that the quality control of adipose clips has been acceptable. A quantitative check will be incorporated in the hatchery program to monitor the clipping quality control.

Left ventral fin clips that identify the presence of coded wire tag fish do regenerate, but the fin is deformed. There is also a high proportion of hatchery fish with deformed ventral fins. Whenever a fish is inspected that has any abnormality of the left ventral fin, we attempt to take the snout. We take a large number of snouts with these methods, and only about half of them have coded wire tags. But the number of coded wire tags missed with these methods is very small, if any.

In order to adequately quantify returns of any releases, it's imperative that a coded wire tag group is included in the release or included in a companion group of fish identified by managers as representative. Marked fish should be representative in size and time of release and fish health. No return estimates have been made on LSRCP releases in Slate and Allison creeks because of the absence of marked groups. Releases made in reasonably close geographical locations can be evaluated by marking one group and applying the results to the other (s).

As the LSRCP increases, larger numbers of smolts are being allocated to release sites in the Lower Salmon River. Historically, about 60\% of the Salmon River harvest came from Sections 10 through 13. Since hatchery fish behave differently than the original wild steelhead, the proportion of harvest from
these lower river sections has declined to about 20\%. Releasing hatchery fish lower in the drainage is an attempt to improve harvest distribution. Harvest of marked fish from these lower releases is determined with the same methods as all other marked fish. The problem is the absence of a hatchery rack anywhere in the lower Salmon River where escapement past the fishery can be ascertained. If the escapement and exploitation rate was determined at one site, the results could be applied to the other return groups. A weir constructed on one of the Lower Salmon River tributaries would allow escapement estimates to be made on all of the releases in this river reach.

Another void in evaluating the return of LSRCP steelhead is survival rate from Lower Granite Dam to Idaho's fishery and hatchery racks. In order to determine the success of the LSRCP program, it's necessary to know how many fish returned "to the project area;" i.e. Lower Granite Dam. Passive Integrated Transponders (PIT tags) are the key to determining how many LSRCP fish pass Lower Granite Dam. Adult detection equipment.is already installed at the dam. A representative group of fish from each hatchery should be marked with PIT tags prior to release. Adult detection of PIT tags at Lower Granite Dam and at hatcheries, combined with CWT detection in the fishery and at hatcheries, will produce known numbers of LSRCP fish to the project area.

## Straying

Adult steelhead returning to Idaho rivers in the fall are several months away from spawning and commonly wander into streams other than where they were released. It's not unusual for these wandering fish to spend time in several rivers that are not their natural drainage. Adults observed or harvested during the wandering phase should not be considered strays.

In 1986-87, there were large numbers of marked Clearwater River steelhead returning from National Marine Fisheries Service homing research (Harmon and Slatick, 1987). We recovered six coded wire tags from three tag groups and estimated that 19 of these fish were harvested from the Salmon River (Appendix A).

At the hatchery racks in 1987, 277 coded wire tags were retrieved. From Idaho marked fish, only three returned to sites other than where they were released. One A-strain fish released at Sawtooth (10/26/30) returned to the East Fork rack, and one B-strain fish from the East Fork (10/26/31) returned to Sawtooth Hatchery. One A-strain fish released in the Little Salmon River (10/28/06) returned to Dworshak National Fish Hatchery on the Clearwater River.

Adults from the LSRCP program in Washington returning to Idaho hatcheries include two from the Grand Ronde River ( $62 / 16 / 27$ and $62 / 16 / 28$ ) that returned to the Pahsimeroi Hatchery, four from Lyons Ferry (62/16/44) that returned to Dworshak Hatchery, and six fish from the Tucannon River (62/16/29, 63/32/12, 63/32/14, and 63/32/15) that returned to Dworshak Hatchery.

The straying rate of the returns of Idaho fish (not including the strays from Washington) is $1.13 \%$. This is a slightly higher rate than the less than 0.5\% reported for the previous two years (Ball, 1986 and 1988).

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APPENDICES

Appendix A. Coded wire tag recoveries and fin clips identified September 1986- Apri1 1987; harvest estimate by month and river section; and total harvest estimates for the 1986-87 season. (Unidentified Tag Codes are for steelhead tagged outside Idaho and harvested outside Idaho; e.g. NMFS, and Washington.)


Appendix A. (continued)


|  | anuary |  | February |  |  | March |  |  | April |  |  | 1986-87 Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| No. Tags | Sample Rate | Est. Harv. | No. Tags | Sample Rate | Est. Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Taas } \end{aligned}$ | Samp1 <br> Rate | e Est. Harv. | No. <br> Tags | Sample Rate | Est. Harv. | No. Tags | Est. Harv |


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| 14 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 15 |
| 15 | 2 | 0.194 | 10 | 3 | 0.349 | 9 |  |  |  | 12 | 49 |
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| 17 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 | 0.110 | 18 | 2 | 18 |
| 18 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 |  |  |  | 2 | 0.203 | 10 |  |  |  | 2 | 10 |
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| Total estimated harvest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 108 |

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TAG CODE - 05/13/33 RELEASE SITE - Decker Flat NUMBER RELEASED - 40,573

No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est.
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TAG CODE - 05/13/36 RELEASE SITE - Little Salmon R. NUMBER RELEASED - 90, 925
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| River | September | October | November | December |  |  |
|  | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. |  |  |
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| River | January | February | March | Apri1 | 1986-87 |  |
|  | No. Sample Est. <br> Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | Est. Harv. |
| $\begin{aligned} & 01 \\ & 03 / 05 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est.


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| $\begin{aligned} & \text { TAG CODE - 10/26/31 } \\ & 2 a_{275} \end{aligned}$ | RELEASE SITE - East Fork Salmon River | NUMBER RELEASED - |
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Appendix A. (continued).
TAG CODE - 10/26/32
ReLease site - Little Salmon R.
Number released - 39,175
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September $\qquad$ October $\qquad$ November $\qquad$ December
River Section Tags Rate Harv. Tags Rate Harv. Tags Rate Harv. Tags Rate Harv.



Appendix A. (continued).

## TAG CODE-10/27/44

 ---RELEASE SITE - Pahsimeroi R. -------- NUMBER RELEASED - 39,749September
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No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est. No. Sample Est.
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TAG CODE - 10/27/45
RELEASE SITE - Pahsimeroi R. NUMBER RELEASED - 40,122
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TAG CODE - 10/27/46 RELEASE SITE - Pahsimeroi R. NUMBER RELEASED - 41,019


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|  | January | February | March | April | 1986-87 Total |
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| 14 | 1 | 0.442 | 2 | 1 | 0.360 | 3 |  |  |  | 8 | 29 |
| 15 | 1 | 0.194 | 5 | 1 | 0.349 | 3 |  |  |  | 10 | 48 |
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| 17 |  |  |  | 3 | 0.148 | 20 | 1 | 0.110 | 9 | 4 | 29 |

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TAG CODE - 10/28/06 RELEASE SITE - Little Salmon NUMBER RELEASED - 56,906
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$\begin{array}{llllllr}07 & & & & & \\ 10 & & & & 0.063 & 16 \\ 11 & 1 & 0.311 & 3 & 3 & 0.340 & 9 \\ 12 & & & & 1 & 0.469 & 2\end{array}$

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| 11 | 1 | 0.116 | 9 | 1 | 16 |
| 13 |  |  |  | 1 | 2 |
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| 20 | 2 | 0.786 | 3 | 2 | 3 |
| Total estimated harvest |  |  |  |  | 50 |

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TAG CODE - 10/28/53
RELEASE SITE - Pahsimeroi R.
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| River Section | No. Sample Est. onags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | SampleEst. RateHarv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | SampleEst. RateHarv. | No. Tags |  |  |
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| Total es | estimated harvest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 2 |

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TAG CODE - 23/16/04
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TAG CODE - 23/16/16
RELEASE SITE - Clearwater R.
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TAG CODE - 23/16/19
RELEASE SITE - North Fork Clearwater
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| No. Sample Est. River Section Tags Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Sample } \\ & \text { Rate } \end{aligned}$ | Est. Harv. | No. | Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. Tags |  |
| 01 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $\begin{aligned} & 03 / 05 \\ & 04 / 06 \end{aligned}$ | 1 | 0.188 | 5 |  |  |  | 3 | 45 |
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| Total estimated harvest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 47 |

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| River Section | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | Sample Est. Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | Sample Es Rate Har |  | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | No. | Est. Tags |
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| 03/05 |  | 2 | 0.18811 | 1 | 0.151 | 7 |  | 3 | 18 |
| 04/06 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Total est | timated harvest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 18 |

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TAG CODE - 23/16/46

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TAG CODE - 23/16/51

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TAG CODE - 23/18/12 RELEASE SITE - NUMBER RELEASED -


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TAG CODE - 62/16/27 RELEASE SITE - NUMBER RELEASED -


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| River Section | January | February |  |  | March |  | Apri1 |  | 1986-87 Total |  |  |
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|  | No. Sample Est. Tags Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { ample } \\ & \text { Rate } \end{aligned}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | Sample Est. Rate Harv. | $\begin{aligned} & \text { No. } \\ & \text { Tags } \end{aligned}$ | Sample Est. Rate Harv. | No. Tags |  |  |
| 01 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 3 | 28 |
| $03 / 05$ $04 / 06$ |  | 1 | 0.188 | 5 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 5 |
| 04/06 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 07 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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| Total esti | imated harvest |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 33 |

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| TAG CODE - 62/16/30 |  |  | RELEASE SITE - |  |  |  |  | NUMBER RELEASED - |  |  |
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| River Section | September |  | October |  |  | November |  |  | December |  |
|  | No. | Sample Est. | No. | Sample | Est. | No. | Sample Est. | No. | Sample Est. |  |
|  | Tags | Rate Harv. | Tags | Rate | Harv. | Tags | S Rate Harv. | Tags | Rate Harv. |  |
| 01 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 | 0.1308 |  |
| 03/05 |  |  | 1 | 0.050 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 04/06 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
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Appendix B. Steelhead groups returning to the Salmon River, 1986-87.

|  | Strain | $\begin{array}{r} \text { Ocean } \\ \text { age } \\ \hline \end{array}$ | No. of fish released | Release site | Hatchery rearing | Marks | Purpose Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | A | I | 39,175 | Little Salmon r. | нлғна | CWT 10/26/32 |  |
|  | A | I | 268,928 | Little Salmon r. | HNFH | None |  |
|  | A | I | 23,900 | Panther Creek | NSPRb | CWT 10/28/51 |  |
|  | A | I | 24,600 | Panther Creek | NSPR | CWT 10/28/52 |  |
|  | A | I | 189,409 | Panther Creek | NSPR | None |  |
|  | A | 1 | 23,400 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | CWT 10/28/53 |  |
|  | A | I | 855,130 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | None |  |
|  | A | I | 45,800 | Bruno's Bridge | NSPR | CWT 10/25/21 |  |
| ৷ | A | I | 110,942 | Bruno's Bridge | NSPR | None |  |
|  | A | I | 40,475 | Decker Flat | HNFH | CWT 10/26/30 |  |
|  | A | I | 745,711 | Decker Flat | HNFH | $\begin{aligned} & \text { None, F.B. R.D. } \\ & Y-1(35,125) \end{aligned}$ |  |
|  | Subtotal |  | 2,367,470 |  |  |  |  |
|  | A | II | 90,925 | Little Salmon r. | HNFH | CWT 5/13/36 |  |
|  | A | II | 5,500 | Little Salmon R . | HNFH | LV clip, no CWT |  |
|  | A | II | 40,919 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | CWT 10/25/19 |  |
|  | A | II | 39,749 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | CWT 10/27/44 |  |
|  | A | II | 40,122 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | CWT 10/27/45 |  |

Appendix B. (continued).

| Ocean |  |  | No. of released | Release site | Hatchery rearing | Marks | Purpose Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| A | II |  | 41,019 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | CWT 10/27/46 |  |
| A | II |  | 592,195 | Pahsimeroi | NSPR | None |  |
| A | II |  | 39,763 | Decker Flat | HNFH | CWT 5/10/28 |  |
| A | II |  | 40,322 | Decker Flat | HNFH | CWT 5/10/29 |  |
| A | II |  | 397,079 | Decker Flat | HNFH | None |  |
| A | II |  | 204,150 | Decker Flat | MVSHC | None |  |
| Subtotal |  |  | 1,531,743 |  |  |  |  |
| B |  | I | 39,375 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/26/31 |  |
| B |  | I | 35,225 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/26/36 |  |
| B |  | I | 17,425 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/26/55 |  |
| B |  | I | 8,100 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/28/02 |  |
| B |  | I | 16,950 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/28/03 |  |
| B |  | I | 25,525 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/28/54 |  |
| B |  | I | 127,607 | East Fork | HNFH | $\begin{aligned} & \text { None, F.B. R.D. } \\ & \text { Y-3 }(31,775) \end{aligned}$ |  |
| Subtotal |  |  | 270,207 |  |  |  |  |


| Strain | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Ocean } \\ & \text { age } \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ | No. of fish released | Release site | Hatchery rearing | Marks | Purpose Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | II | 56,906 | Little Salmon R. | HNFH | CWT 10/28/06 |  |
| в | II | 38,718 | Little Salmon R. | HNFH | CWT 10/28/07 |  |
| B | II | 31,920 | slate creek | MVSH | None |  |
| B | II | 10,764 | Allison Creek | MVSH | None |  |
| в | II | 393,452 | East Fork | HNFH | None |  |
|  | Subtotal | 531,760 |  |  |  |  |
| в | III | 32,200 | Slate Creek | MVSH | None |  |
| B | III | 11,340 | Allison Creek | MVSH | None |  |
| B | III | 26,173 | Decker Flat | HNFH | RV clip |  |
| B | III | 38,864 | East Fork | HNFH | CWT 10/24/60 |  |
| B | III | 162,723 | East Fork | HNFH | None |  |
| B | III | 46,250 | East Fork | NSPR | None |  |
| B | III | 49,140 | East Fork | MVSH | None |  |
|  | Subtotal | 366,690 |  |  |  |  |

a HNFH=Hagerman National Fish Hatchery.
b NSPR=Niagara Springs Fish Hatchery.
c MVSH=Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery.

Appendix C. Steelhead groups returning to the Clearwater River, 1986-87.

| train | Ocean No age | No. of fish released | Release site | Hatchery rearing | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| B | I | 1,035,573 | Clearwater R. | DNFHa | None |
| 8 | I | 145,206 | Clear Creek | DNFH | None |
| B | I | 95,286 | Newsome Creek | DNFH | None |
| B | I | 42,235 | Crooked River | DNFH | None |
| B | I | 162,111 | American River | DNFH | None |
| B | I |  | Eldorado Creek | DNFH | None |
|  | Subtotal | 1,601,695 |  |  |  |
| B | II | 40,325 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 10/25/16 |
| B | II | 37,325 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 10/25/17 |
| B | II | 39,525 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 05/13/35 |
| B | II | 1,088,781 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | None |
| B | II | 2,363 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LV clip, no } \\ & \text { CWT } \end{aligned}$ |
| B | II | 506,930 | South Fork | DNFH | None |
| B | II | 246,123 | South Fork | DNFH | None |
| Subtotal |  | 1,961,372 |  |  |  |
| B | III | 33,178 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 23/16/38 |
| B | III | 32,236 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 23/16/16 |
|  | APPC.WP |  |  |  |  |


|  | Appendix |  | (continued). |  | Hatchery rearing | Marks |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Strain | $\begin{gathered} \hline \text { Ocean } \\ \text { age } \end{gathered}$ | No. of fish released | Release site |  |  |
|  | в | III | 30,751 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | CWT 23/16/20 |
|  | в | III | 8,460 | Clearwater R. | DNFH | None |
|  | B | III | 24,575 | North Fork | DNFH | CWT 05/13/49 |
|  | в | III | 30,000 | North Fork | DNFH | CWT 05/13/50 |
|  | в | III | 29,825 | North Fork | DNFH | CWT 05/13/51 |
|  | B | III | 32,550 | North Fork | DNFH | CWT 05/13/52 |
| $\stackrel{\infty}{\omega}$ | B | III | 31,956 | North Fork | DNFH | CWT 23/16/19 |
|  | B | III | 1,012,593 | North Fork | DNFH | None |
|  | B | III | 3,260 | North Fork | DNFH | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LV clip, no } \\ & \text { CWT } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | B | III | 250,488 | Clear Creek | DNFH | None |
|  | B | III | 496,471 | South Fork | DNFH | None |
|  | B | III | 28,658 | Columbia River | DNFH | CWT 23/16/39 |
|  | B | III | 30,341 | Columbia River | DNFH | CWT 23/16/40 |
|  | B | III | 32,456 | Columbia River | DNFH | CWT 23/16/17 |
|  | B | III | 31,906 | Columbia River | DNFH | CWT 23/16/18 |
|  | B |  | $\begin{gathered} 5,243 \\ \text { abtotal } 2,144,947 \end{gathered}$ | Columbia River | DNFH | None |

a DNFH=Dworshak National Fish Hatchery.

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