

ANADROMOUS FISH HATCHERY EVALUATIONS - IDAHO

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#### Abstract

This annual report (October 1, 1991 - September 30, 1992) includes all 1992 chinook salmon Oncorhynchus tshawytscha returns, fall 1991-spring 1992 steelhead trout O. mykiss returns and all juvenile releases for the 1992 emigration except for fry and fingerlings released in spring or summer of 1991. Information presented herein generally supersedes that included in previous reports.

Idaho's Lower Snake River Compensation Plan (LSRCP) goals are to return 8,000 summer chinook salmon, 40,560 spring chinook salmon and 39,120 summer steelhead trout to Idaho. In 1992, an estimated 3,300 summer chinook salmon and 21,900 spring chinook salmon of hatchery and wild/natural origin returned to the project area, i.e. crossed Lower Granite Dam (LGR) located approximately 64 km from the Idaho border. The 1991-92 steelhead trout count over LGR totaled 99,056 and consisted of 15,812 wild A-run, 69,725 hatchery A-run, 1,510 wild $B$-run, and 12 , 011 hatchery B-run.

Estimated adult returns of LSRCP origin in 1992 were; 2,100 summer chinook salmon of McCall Fish Hatchery (FH) origin, 207-282 spring chinook salmon of Sawtooth FH origin plus an unknown number of adult returns from Clearwater FH satellites, and 13,054 summer steelhead trout. McCall FH' s summer chinook salmon rack return of 2,848 fish represents an all time high and was reminiscent of returns in the mid-1980s. Dworshak National Fish Hatchery (NFH) experienced its second consecutive poor run; only 369 spring chinook salmon were trapped in 1992 following a return of 165 fish in 1991. Sport and tribal fishermen harvested 214 chinook salmon from the Clearwater River. Sawtooth FH trapped 387 spring chinook salmon in 1992 compared to 566 in 1991; this represents the lowest rack return to Sawtooth FH since 1983 (366). Sixty-five adult spring chinook salmon returned to the East Fork Salmon River trap in 1992 compared to 62 fish in 1991. The three Clearwater FH satellites trapped a combined total of 537 adult spring chinook salmon in 1992, a substantial increase from the 71 fish trapped in 1991. Hatchery fish comprised the bulk of the rack returns, although the exact proportion of hatchery and natural fish returning to the racks is unknown. Returns to the Dworshak NFH rack are almost exclusively of hatchery origin.


Rack returns to non-LSRCP Idaho hatcheries, Kooskia NFH, Pahsimeroi FH, and Rapid River FH, accounted for 441 summer chinook and 2,800 spring chinook salmon. Sport and tribal fishermen harvested an estimated 1,450 spring chinook salmon in the Rapid River fishery in 1992. Approximately 15,500 summer and spring chinook salmon which crossed LGR can be attributed to natural escapement and other non-Idaho hatcheries in the basin, or to prespawn mortality.

Smolt (i.e. release)-to-adult return rates for brood year (BY) 1987 Idaho LSRCP chinook salmon, based on marked fish returns, varied from 0.002\% for Dworshak NFH and East Fork Salmon River fish to $0.004 \%$ for McCall FH and Sawtooth FH fish. Sawtooth FH and Dworshak NFH estimates represent combined fall presmolt and spring smolt releases. McCall FH estimates are for spring smolt releases only. The minimum return rate necessary for replacement is approximately $0.05 \%$.

An estimated 13,054 summer steelhead trout of LSRCP origin returned to Idaho in the 199192 run, including 11,056 A-run and 1,998 B-run fish.

LSRCP
facilities trapped 1,730 A-run and 156 B-run summer steelhead trout in the 1991-92 run year, a five-fold increase over the 1990-91 trap counts. These returns included 42 and 45 wild/natural Arun and B-run fish, respectively. Sport anglers harvested an estimated 8,203 A-run and 1,647 Brun summer steelhead
trout. The pooled smolt (release)-to-adult survival rate for LSRCP A-run steelhead trout was 0 . $11 \%$ and varied from 0.04 to $0.20 \%$ for coded-wire tag groups. The SAR estimate for the only coded-wire tagged LSRCP B-run group, for which returns were complete in 1992, was $0.03 \%$

Idaho LSRCP facilities released $7,419,500$ smolts, and 834,400 presmolts for the 1992 emigration. Summer chinook salmon releases totalled 901,500 smolts. Spring chinook salmon releases included about $3,000,000$ smolts and 834,000 presmolts. Steelhead trout releases included 1,850,000 A-run smolts and 1,760,000 B-run smolts.

Several recently initiated experiments are ongoing under the Hatchery Evaluation Study. We are using McCall FH to attempt to quantify the effect of coded-wire tagging procedures on the survival of summer chinook salmon. The effect of raceway rearing density on smolt-to-smolt ( release to lower Snake River dams) and smolt-to-adult survival of spring chinook salmon is being evaluated at Sawtooth FH. The effects of smolt size at release on survival rates, and sex and age structure of adult A-run steelhead trout returns is being investigated using fish reared at Hagerman NFH.

Newly initiated research includes the testing for the effects of natural rearing conditions on spring chinook salmon and acclimation on summer steelhead trout. We plan to investigate the effects of overhead cover, in-raceway baffles, cryptic raceway backgrounds, and possibly predator avoidance training on the survival of spring chinook salmon. In 1992 (and 1993), we acclimated summer steelhead trout smolts in Sawtooth FH raceways for about 21 d prior to release.

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## INTRODUCTION

The purpose of Lower Snake River Compensation Plan (LSRCP) is to compensate for anadromous fish losses caused by construction and operation of the four lower Snake River hydroelectric dams (Ice Harbor, Lower Monumental, Little Goose [LGO, and Lower Granite (LGR] dams) built between 1962 and 1975. In 1976, the US Fish and Wildlife Service (USFWS) was authorized to administer the operation and maintenance funding for the LSRCP hatchery program, the primary compensation tool.

The authorized compensation strategy specifies the use of hatcheries to produce and release large numbers of juvenile anadromous salmonids to meet the adult return goals, namely to return 8,000 summer chinook salmon Oncorhynchus tshawytscha, 50,700 spring chinook salmon, 18,300 fall chinook salmon and 55,100 steelhead trout O. mykiss to the Snake River basin. Idaho has the bulk of the program with adult return goals of 8,000 summer chinook salmon, 40,560 spring chinook salmon, and 39,121 steelhead trout. To support the program, Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) and the USFWS currently operate six hatcheries and five satellite facilities: McCall Fish Hatchery (FH) and South Fork Salmon River Trap; Dworshak National Fish Hatchery (NFH); Clearwater FH, Red River, Crooked River and Powell satellite facilities; Sawtooth FH, East Fork Salmon River Trap, Hagerman NFH, and Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery (Figure 1). The Powell satellite facility was first operated in 1989. Clearwater FH, the final hatchery authorized under the LSRCP, became operational in 1992. Clearwater FH will assume the role previously filled, in part, by Dworshak NFH. Proposed production guidelines for the LSRCP program are presented in Table 1.

The purpose of the LSRCP Hatchery Evaluation Study (HES) is to determine hatchery operations, practices, and procedures which will best contribute to LSRCP program and Idaho Department of Fish and Game (IDFG) anadromous fisheries goals. A central objective of this project is to measure the achievements of the hatchery program in relation to established compensation goals. A secondary major objective of the project is to evaluate the potential of new hatchery methods to contribute to meeting program goals.

## OBJECTIVES

1. Evaluate Idaho LSRCP's hatchery program in relation to the mitigation goals.
1.1 Document the LSRCP fish rearing and release activities in Idaho and resulting adult returns.
1.2 Document adult returns of LSRCP fish to the project area above LGR: a) hatchery rack, b) sport fishery, c) natural spawning escapement, and to Columbia River and ocean fisheries.
2. Identify and evaluate fish rearing and release strategies potentially beneficial to improving adult returns to the LSRCP project area in Idaho.


Figure 1. Location of Idaho LSRCP facilities.

Table 1. Lower Snake River Compensation Plan hatchery production targets and adult return goals. Original production design plans in parentheses.

' Smolt-to-adult return rate
2.1 Relate existing knowledge of the effectiveness of past and current procedures to the LSRCP hatchery program in Idaho.
2.2 Identify critical uncertainties regarding rearing and release strategies.
2.3 Conduct controlled experimentation to test priority hatchery-related variables.

The purpose of Objective 1 is to document all facets of hatchery operation pertinent to rearing, release, and returns and synthesize this information into a bank of existing knowledge. Under Objective 2, this information is used to determine successful and unsuccessful techniques, to identify information gaps to be addressed through research, and to suggest and evaluate alternative hatchery rearing and release strategies.

## METHODS

# Documentation - Objective 1 Chinook Salmon 

and Steelhead Trout

Hatchery Operations-Hatchery operations were documented from written and oral communication with hatchery personnel. Written documents include "Run" and "Brood year" reports, monthly summaries, stocking slips and memoranda pertinent to trapping, spawning, rearing and release operations. Personal communications through formal and informal meetings provided additional information. Documentation included: numbers of fish on hand, size and weight, strain, health; tagging or marking of experimental groups; numbers and site of release; numbers, age, sex trapped and spawned, and egg take. The reporting period, October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992, includes all BY 1990 chinook salmon and BY 1991 steelhead trout juvenile releases (except for fry and fingerlings released in spring and summer of 1991), and all adult returns, i.e. run year 1992 chinook salmon returns and run year 1991-92 steelhead trout returns.

Migration Conditions-Snake River flow during smolt migration is a major factor affecting survival of Idaho's anadromous fish. Therefore, we document flow conditions and evaluate emigration survival indices (passive integrated transponders (PIT) tag detections) and smolt-toadult survival rates with these conditions in mind. River flows during emigration periods for brood year returns completed in 1992 are of particular interest for this reporting period. Specifically, flow conditions for smolts of chinook salmon brood year (BY) 1987 and steelhead trout BY 1988, emigrating in 1989, are briefly discussed. (A small percentage of BY 1988 B-run steelhead trout will be at large until 1993). We also report flow conditions for the 1992 emigration period, i.e. for BY 1990 chinook salmon and BY 1991 steelhead trout smolts. We obtained flow data from Fish Passage Center (FPC) reports and by personal communication with other IDFG biologists.

Two periods were defined to summarize flows at LGR. The "peak" period, April 15May 5, is defined as the period of time during which $50 \%$ of the emigration of yearling chinook salmon occurs. The "extended" period, April 20-May 30, includes most of the known migration of wild and natural yearling chinook salmon (Petrosky 1991).

Migration "Survival" and Timing-Detection (interrogation) rates of PIT tagged juvenile salmonids at lower Snake River dams serve as survival indices. These detection rates allow for comparison of the relative survival of fish from various groups of hatchery and natural juveniles arriving at various dams. Our estimates are based on cumulative unique, first occurrence detections of fish at LGR, LGO, and McNary (MCN) dams. Fish that are detected at any of these dams are survivors to LGR. These estimates are minimum survival estimates for several reasons: 1) an unknown (but we believe small) amount of mortality of PIT tagged fish may go undetected in-hatchery despite the fact that we scan the mortalities, 2) not all fish pass through detectors at the dams, 3) a certain percentage of pit tags fail (approximately $2 \%$, R. Kiefer, IDFG, personal communication) or are lost between tagging and arrival at detection sites, 4) some fish arrive while detection gear is not being operated, and 5) mortality occurs between dams. Typically, fish are PIT tagged to monitor survival (detection) and timing of specific experimental groups or groups representative of production releases. We have not yet attempted to analyze migration timing data.

Hatchery fish destined to emigrate in 1992 were tagged by the IDFG Marking Section. We used the PIT tag files generated by the Marking Section (IDFG) to submit the appropriate information to the PIT-tag Information System (PTAGIS) database maintained by the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commmission (PSMFC) in Portland, Oregon. We retrieve data from PTAGIS by modem for analysis.

Fisheries Contribution-The Coded-wire Tag (CWT) lab in Lewiston processed CWT information involving Idaho tag groups and tag codes which appear in fisheries ( Idaho, Columbia River, ocean) and at hatchery racks. The Harvest Monitoring Project ( HMP), reported under a separate cover, estimates the contribution of LSRCP fish to Idaho sport fisheries. The HES incorporates CWT information and HMP results to help identify the fate of LSRCP fish and total returns to Idaho. The HES coordinates with management to identify marking needs of all LSRCP studies. Evaluation of mark groups is discussed within the body of the report. Because CWTs will likely remain a major evaluation tool for some time to come, research and management cooperate to use CWTs for as many purposes as possible.

Smolt-to-Adult Survival Rates-The use of smolt-to-adult survival (return) rate ( SAR) estimates requires certain qualification. First, the term smolt may not be entirely accurate because we do not know the physiological state of juveniles at release. Therefore, smolt-to-adult actually represents release-toadult but the use of the term smolt is consistent throughout the Columbia River Basin.

Secondly, smolt (release)-to-adult survival rates for non-CWTed chinook salmon and steelhead trout could be underestimated from CWT returns because CWTed fish may not return as well as unmarked hatchery fish (K. Ball, IDFG, unpublished data). Therefore, CWT estimates tend to represent minimum return rates in this
report. All Idaho chinook salmon that are CWTed have their adipose fin excised, ( CWT/AD). All CWTed steelhead trout are adipose clipped and pelvic (ventral) fin clipped, ( CWT/AD/V). All other hatchery steelhead trout (except fry or fingerling releases) are adipose clipped (AD).

We present two estimates of smolt-to-adult survival rate for spring and summer chinook salmon, which we believe bound the actual survival rate. Our first estimate, which we regard as a minimum estimate, is the ratio of CWTed fish recovered at hatchery racks, and in some cases spawning grounds, to the number of CWTed fish released.

Our second SAR estimate, which is an overestimate of the survival of hatchery fish, incorporates three assumptions; 1) all adult chinook salmon rack returns result from hatchery releases, 2) salmon and steelhead trout fingerling and fry releases do not contribute to adult returns and 3) all adipose clipped fish from which no CWT was recovered were from the hatchery at whose rack they were recovered and had lost their tags. The estimate is calculated as the ratio of the total rack return to the total number of smolts released.

Steelhead trout smolt-to-adult survival estimates and a detailed analysis of 19911992 steelhead trout returns from LSRCP facilities are provided by the Harvest Monitor Project. (K. Ball, IDFG, In press). SARs for steelhead trout returns completed in the 199192 run are reported here as in the Harvest Monitor Project report. These SARs are based on estimates of returns to hatchery racks, fisheries, and escapement.

## Chinook Salmon

Scale Pattern Analysis-As in past years, we provided chinook salmon scale impressions to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife which is taking the lead in building a computer model to differentiate chinook salmon stocks, primarily hatchery versus wild, based on scale pattern analysis (SPA). We enlisted the help of hatchery and management personnel, and tribal biologists to collect scales from hatchery rack returns and from natural/wild spawner
carcasses. Scale collection methods were standardized to reduce sampling variability. When possible, scales were taken from the left side of the fish, two to three scale rows above the lateral line, along a diagonal between the posterior insertion of the dorsal fin and the anterior insertion of the anal fin (as per MacLellan 1987). We attempted to press four of the best scales sampled. Scales were pressed at $230^{\circ} \mathrm{F}$ for 70 seconds at 10,000 psi.

Aging of Hatchery Returns-We used two methods (referred to as A and C in previous annual reports) to estimate age composition of hatchery returns to McCall and Sawtooth FHs. Method A is the traditional hatchery method of using length cutoff points to partition the run into age groups. Typically, chinook salmon are classified into age groups according to the following fork length criteria:


This method does not account for overlap of age groups or variable growth rates between years. We used only Method A for Clearwater Fish Hatchery satellite returns because CWT data were inadequate at this time.

In Method C we used known-age CWT returns from the current run year to estimate the numbers of three-, four-, and five-year olds in the run. We simply applied the age distribution (proportions) defined by the CWT retrievals to the total population of fish trapped to derive the estimate. This estimate assumes there is no size (age) selective mortality associated with CWTs and survival of CWTd fish does not vary among brood years.

Sex Ratios of Hatchery Returns-We used documentation provided by hatchery personnel to calculate sex ratios of adult returns to LSRCP facilities. Sex ratios were calculated for total returns both including and excluding jacks (three-year-old males) and for specific age groups where appropriate.

Experimentation - Objective 2

## Chinook Salmon

Marking/handling Experiment - McCall Fish Hatchery: Summer Chinook Salmon -A long term experiment is underway to evaluate the effects of CWTing procedures on the survival of hatchery chinook salmon in Idaho. Testing began with BY 1988 fish and is scheduled to continue for BY 1989 and BY 1990 fish (See Appendix D in Cannamela 1992 for Experimental Design). Control and test groups, one of each, consist of fish passively marked with oxytetracycline (OTC)-laced feed and fish marked according to the usual CWTing procedure, respectively. BY 1991 CWTed fish will be used to check retention of the OTC mark. Approximately 310,500 CWTed fish in Pond 1 were fed OTClaced feed ( $25-35 \mathrm{~g} / 100 \mathrm{lb}$ of fish) in July 1992. We will determine the percent retention of the OTC mark by examining the vertebrae of a sample of these CWT/OTC marked adults when they return (1994-96). We typically examine the vertebrae of smolts before release to determine if the OTC marking procedure was effective.

Rearing Density Experiment - Sawtooth Fish Hatchery: Spring Chinook Salmon -At Sawtooth FH, we are evaluating the effects of rearing densities on smolt-tosmolt ( release to LGR) and smolt-to-adult survival of spring chinook salmon. (See Appendix D in Cannamela 1992 for experimental design.) The design will be similar for all brood years with the notable exception that the BY 1989 fish will be tested from the time of outside ponding while the BY 1990 and BY 1991 fish were separated into control and treatment groups when placed into inside vats.

Also, PIT tag numbers may be adjusted for BYs 1990 and 1991 releases if BY 1989 detections at Lower Snake River dams indicate more or fewer tags are needed to meet statistical requirements. Brood year 1991 fish were released in fall 1992 to avoid a potential problem of insufficient water supply to maintain the fish through the winter.

## Steelhead Trout

Size at Release Experiment - Hagerman National Fish Hatchery-Experimentation at Hagerman NFH is aimed at determining the optimum smolt size at release to maximize adult returns for Idaho hatchery steelhead trout. The experiment will include BY 1990 and BY 1991 A-run steelhead trout. The target sizes to be compared are 2.5-3. 0 fish/lb (fpp) (261-252 mm FL, test group) and 4.0-4.5 fpp (229-220 mm FL, control group) (See Appendix D in Cannamela 1992 for Experimental Design). CWTs and PIT tags will be used to evaluate adult returns and survival to LGR, respectively. We are also conducting a literature search to document the potential effects of smolt size on adult return variables for both chinook salmon and steelhead trout.

RESULTS

## Summary of Releases and Returns

Idaho LSRCP hatchery facilities released 901,500 summer chinook salmon, 3,739, 100 spring chinook salmon, and $3,613,300$ summer steelhead trout juveniles during the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992 (Table 2). All summer chinook salmon were released as smolts. Spring chinook salmon releases consisted of 2,904,700 smolts and 834,440 fall presmolts. Steelhead trout releases consisted of 1,969,400 Arun smolts and 1,644,000 B-run smolts (Table 2).

Chinook salmon counts at LGR in 1992 were 3,309 summer chinook salmon and 21,924 spring chinook salmon (U.S. Army Corp. of Engineers or FPC). Adult chinook salmon returns to Idaho LSRCP hatchery racks, including hatchery and naturallyproduced fish totalled 2,848 summer chinook salmon and 1,358 spring chinook salmon ( Table 3). About 100 summer chinook salmon were harvested from the South Fork Salmon River by Shoshone-Bannock tribal members in 1992. Nez Perce tribal members and sport anglers harvested an estimated 160 and 54 spring chinook salmon from the Clearwater River, respectively (Jones and Miller 1992). An additional 441 summer chinook salmon (Pahsimeroi and Rapid River FHs) and 2,778 spring chinook salmon adults (Kooskia NFH and Rapid River FH) returned to non-LSRCP Idaho hatcheries. Tribal and sport anglers harvested about 909 and 533 spring chinook salmon from Rapid River, respectively, in 1992 (K. Ball, IDFG, personal communication). Those fish crossing LGR and not accounted for at Idaho facilities or in fisheries represents natural escapement, fish returning to non-Idaho hatcheries, and prespawning mortalities and strays.


Table 3.

Distribution September 30,
of LSRCP returns above Lower Granite Dam 1992. in the case of chinook salmon

|  | Total Over LGR | Rack Returns |  | Facility | Harvest |  | Escapement and Prespawn Mort ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Total | Estimated Natural Fish ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Summer Chinook salmon | 24,399 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Summer Chinook Salmon | 3,309 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 3,289 |  |  |  | 100 | -80 |
|  |  | 2,848 |  | McCall |  | $100^{\text {d }}$ |  |
|  |  | 310 |  | Rapid River |  |  |  |
|  |  | 131 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Idaho LSRCP SuCk |  | 2,848 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Spring Chinook Salmon | 21,924 ${ }^{\text {c }}$ | 5,396 |  |  |  | 1,831 | 14,697 |
|  |  | 369 |  | Dworshak |  | $214{ }^{\text {e }}$ |  |
|  |  | 312 |  | Kooskia |  |  |  |
|  |  | 39 |  | Clearwater |  |  |  |
|  |  | 228 |  | Red R. ${ }_{\text {Crooked }}$ R. |  |  |  |
|  |  | 270 |  | Powell |  |  |  |
|  |  | 387 |  | Sawtooth |  |  |  |
|  |  | 65 |  | East Fork |  |  |  |
|  |  | 2,466 |  | Rapid R. |  | 1,442 ${ }^{\text {f }}$ |  |
|  |  | 829 |  | Lookingglass | (OR) | 1759 |  |
|  |  | 89 |  | Big Canyon |  |  |  |
|  |  | 431 |  | Imnaha (OR) |  |  |  |
| Idaho LSRCP SpCk |  | 989 |  |  |  |  |  |

Table 3 continued.

|  | Rack Returns |  | Facility | Harvest | Escapement and Prespawn Mort ${ }^{\text {b }}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total Over LGR | Total | Estimated Natural Fish' |  |  |  |


| Total A- and B-run |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| Steelhead trout | 99,058 | $\mathrm{NA}^{\mathrm{h}}$ |
| $\quad$ Hatchery | 81,736 |  |
| $\quad$ Wild | 17,322 |  |
| A-run Steelhead trout | 85,537 |  |
| Hatchery | 69,725 |  |
| $\quad$ Wild | 15,812 |  |

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| 1,705 | 44 | Hagerman/MVSH |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1,705 0 | 44 0 | Sawtooth |
| 1,727 | 39 | Pahsimeroi |
| 1,714 |  | Hells Canyon |
| 111 | 111 | Rapid River Oregon Hatcheries |
| 156 | 45 | Hagerman/MVSH East Fork |
| 0 | 0 | Pahsimeroi |
| 3,700 | 0 | Dworshak |
| 0 | 0 | Kooskia |
| 32 | 32 | Powell |

## Unknown for chinook salmon.

${ }^{\text {b }}$ Does not include hatchery and natural chinook salmon counted in the rack return and released above racks.
${ }^{\text {c S Spring and summer chinook salmon LGR counts were over- and underestimated, respectively. }}$
${ }^{\mathrm{d}}$ Tribal harvest.
${ }^{\text {e }}$ Total includes tribal and sport harvests of 160 and 54 fish, respectively.
${ }^{\text {f }}$ Total includes tribal and sport harvests of 909 and 533 fish, respectively.
${ }^{9}$ Tribal harvest.
${ }^{\mathrm{h}}$ Harvest estimates and Oregon rack returns are currently unavailable; therefore, other estimates not provided.

Approximately 99,058 adult summer steelhead trout including 17,322 wild and 81,736 hatchery fish crossed LGR in the 1991-92 counting period (Table 3). An estimated 1,772 LSRCP-produced steelhead trout adults (1,661 A-run and 111 B-run adults) returned to hatchery racks in Idaho during the 1991-92 reporting period. LSRCP rack returns i.e. Sawtooth FH and East Fork Salmon River weirs, included 44 A-run and 45 B-run fish or wild or natural origin. Sport anglers harvested an estimated 8,203 A-run, and 1,647 B-run summer steelhead trout, respectively (K. Ball, IDFG, In press). A total of 7,284 summer steelhead trout (including wild fish) returned to other Idaho hatchery racks.

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## McCall Fish Hatchery

Rearing, Marking, Releases-McCall FH released 901,500 BY 1990 summer chinook salmon at approximately 24 fpp between March 24-27, 1992 (Appendix A, Table 1). All fish were released into the South Fork Salmon River at Knox Bridge approximately 0.5 km upstream of the weir site. About $36 \%$ and $50 \%$ of these fish were marked with CWT/AD and OTC, respectively. The remaining $14 \%$ were released unmarked.

BY 1990 represented the last of three cohorts being used to determine the effects of CWTing on the survival of chinook salmon (see Appendix D, Cannamela 1992 for Experimental Design). The control group was marked by feeding TM-100-laced ( oxytetracycline) feed at the rate of $25-35 \mathrm{~g} / 100 \mathrm{lb}$ of fish per day for 14 d beginning in July 1991. CWTed fish marked under the US-Canada Pacific Salmon Treaty to assess ocean fisheries contribution will also serve as the test group for the experiment. The test group was CWTed in October 1991. The control and test groups also included groups of 250 PIT tags each to provide survival and travel time estimates of smolts to LGR. Freeze branded fish are used by the FPC to assess various parameters of smolt migration including survival, health, and migration timing.

BY 1990 fish were generally in excellent health with little in-hatchery loss due to disease or marking. However, bacterial kidney disease (BKD) prevalence in pre-release smolts, tested by the florescent antibody technique (FAT), was about 22\% (D. Munson, IDFG, unpublished). This unusually high BKD prevalence may be related to several days of harassment and predation by otters prior to testing. Three otters entered pond 2 in February 1992; two were immediately captured, but one remained at large for several days. Mortality due to predation was not known. BKD prevalence was three times higher in Pond $2\{33 \%$ ), the pond subjected to most of the otter attacks, than in Pond 1 (10\%). An unknown number of fish died shortly after the attacks, possibly due to stress related factors. We are uncertain what effect, if any, the attacks will have on the smolts that survived the incident.

The mesenteric fat index for BY 1990 juveniles was between 3 and 4 (D. Munson, IDFG, unpublished). We speculate that the amount of mesenteric fat, an
indicator of stored energy, may influence the post-release survival of hatchery fish.
Two 14-d gallamycin (erythromycin) feedings, one each in May and September may have reduced BKD prevalence from levels noted for previous brood years. Green egg-tosmolt (release) survival for BY 1990 fish was $81 \%$.

There were 607,665 BY 1991 chinook salmon fry on hand at McCall FH as of February 1993. These fish were in excellent health. Survival from green egg to smolt ( March 9, 1993) was $86 \%$.

Adult Returns-A record high total of 2,848 adult summer chinook salmon was trapped at the South Fork Salmon River (SR) trap between June 3 and September 4, 1992. Age composition of the entire run based on the hatchery length-at-age criteria was 205 jacks, 1 three-year-old female, 1,486 four-year-old males, 1,143 four-year-old females, 35 five-year-old males, and 7 five-year-old females (Table 4). We estimated that the hatchery component comprised from $67 \%$ to $95 \%$ of the 1992 South Fork SR rack, depending on the method used. Our best guess is about $85 \% \pm 5 \%$.

The 1992 run arrived earlier than normal and may reflect the fish's response to low spring flows and associated higher water temperatures. The first fish arrived on June 5. Usually fish begin to enter the trap from mid- to late-June (G. McPherson, IDFG, personal communication). Fish released above the weir to spawn naturally included 125 jacks ( $61 \%$ of all jacks captured), 983 four- and five-year-old males (65\%), and 723 females ( $63 \%$ ). Of these, 7 jacks and 200 four- and five-year-old males and females (1:1 sex ratio) were outplanted (trucked) into the Stolle Meadows section of the river as part of the Idaho Supplementation Studies (ISS) to enhance natural production in that area.

Green-egg take from 325 females was 1,428,819 for an average fecundity of 4,396 eggs/female. Eggs from these females were fertilized with milt from 330 males (includes 30 jacks), at approximately a 1:1 pairing ratio (adult male:female). Green egg-to-eyed egg survival for these BY 1992 fish was $85.4 \%$.

A total of 652 adipose clipped adult summer chinook salmon returned to the rack in 1992. CWTs were retrieved from 601 of these fish ( $92.2 \%$ ), including 373 males and 228 females (Appendix C Table 1). Male CWT returns included 39 three-year olds (one was a Sawtooth FH release) and 334 four-year olds (one was a Lookingglass FH release, and 9 were tagged at Columbia River mile 141). Female CWT returns included 226 four-year olds ( 12 were tagged at Columbia River mile 141) and 2 five-year olds. The fish tagged at Columbia River mile 141, though of unknown origin, are assumed to have originated from McCall FH or natural production in the South Fork SR. No adults of known (CWT) McCall FH origin were recovered at other racks in the basin.

Nez Perce tribal biologists recovered 18 ad-clipped chinook salmon from spawning areas between the South Fork SR weir and Phoebe Creek, a distance of about 30 km ( P . Kucera, NPT fisheries, personal communication). Of these, 16 CWTs, all from BY 1988 fish of McCall FH origin, were recovered from 6 males, 5 females, and 5 fish of undetermined sex (Appendix C Table 1).

Table 4. Summary of 1992 summer chinook salmon returns to the South Fork Salmon River trap, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

| BY/Age | Males |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts |
| 89/3 | 205(11.9) | $125^{\text {d }}$ | 30 |  | 1(0.1) |  |  |  |
| 88/4 | 1,486(86.1) |  |  |  | 1,143(99.3) |  |  |  |
| 87/5 | 35( 2.0) | $983{ }^{\text {ad }}$ | $300^{\text {a }}$ | $15^{\text {b }}$ | 7(0.6) | $723^{\text {bd }}$ | $325^{\text {a }}$ | $103{ }^{\text {a }}$ |

## Total trapped: $\quad 2,848$

Trapping period: $\quad 3$ June - 4 September
$\stackrel{\leftarrow}{\sigma} \quad$ Egg take: $1,428,819$
a Includes four- and five-year olds
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ includes three-, four-, and five-year olds
${ }^{\text {c }}$ Total adjusted for fish that were mis-sexed at the trap
d 100 adult males, 100 females, and 7 jacks were outplanted in Stolle Meadows

Returns of BY 1987 summer chinook salmon were completed in 1992. SARs from release to rack ranged from 0.0022-0.0048\% for six companion CWT groups (Appendix B Table 1). The pooled SAR was $0.0041 \%$. Based on hatchery aging criteria, 448 BY 1987 fish were trapped from 1990-92. Based on the assumption that all returning adults were of hatchery origin the theoretical maximum SAR for BY 1987 fish was $0.047 \%$.

Forty-four (23.4\%) of 188 BY 1987 adults tested positive for BKD by the FAT; 25 (56. $8 \%$ ) of these "positive" fish were categorized as heavy positive (McPherson 1990). No other diseases, (IHN, IPN) were detected in the 1987 brood fish.

The 1992 adult returns included fish from the first (BY 1988) and second (BY 1989) groups of fish in the Marking/handling experiment. We removed, cleaned, and mounted vertebrae from fish that potentially harbor the OTC mark. Our subsample included 300 BY 1988 and six BY 1989 fish, respectively. Based on length, the BY 1988 subsample consisted of 80 and 220 three- and four-year olds, respectively. We will report the final BY 1988 results in 1993 when returns from this brood year are completed.

## Dworshak National Fish Hatchery

Information pertaining to the LSRCP program at Dworshak NFH is reported in a separate report (Jones and Miller 1992). We include selected information in this report for comparative purposes.

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Information pertaining to the rearing, marking and release of spring chinook salmon at Dworshak NFH is presented in Appendix A, Table 2 of this report and in Jones and Miller (1992).

Adult Returns-The return of 369 adult spring chinook salmon to DNFH in 1992 represents the fourth lowest rack return on record \{Jones and Miller 1992). The run included an estimated 22 three-year old, 286 four-year old, 40 five-year old, and 21 unmeasured fish (age unknown).

The estimated smolt-to-adult return rate of all BY 1987 CWT fish was $0.0018 \%$ and ranged from 0.0000-0.0031\% for six CWT groups (CWT fish were also freeze branded.). The combined SAR (CWT) estimates for three groups of fall released and three groups of spring released chinook salmon juveniles were $0.0010 \%$ and $0.0025 \%$, respectively. The SAR estimate under the assumption that all returns were of Dworshak NFH origin was 0. 0077\% (Jones and Miller 1992).

## Clearwater Anadromous Fish Hatchery

About 80 wild spring chinook salmon juveniles are being reared at Clearwater FH as part of a pilot captive brood stock program. These fish were trapped in the Selway River in spring 1992. Other fish on hand include spring chinook salmon fry from Powell FH ( $458,000)$, Red River FH $(21,000)$, and fish from Oregon's Lookingglass FH $(400,000$, Rapid River FH stock).

Table 5. Clearwater Fish Hatchery satellite releases of BY 1990 spring chinook salmon (1992 emigration)(DNFH = Dworshak National Fish Hatchery and KNFH = Kooskia National Fish Hatchery).

${ }^{a}$ Release includes a combination of fish that survived the clogged intake accident and those trucked from Kooskia NFH in September.

Table 6. Summary of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to the Red River satellite, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

| Males |  |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY/Age | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts |
| 89/3 | 5(21.7) |  | 1 | 0 | $0(0.0)$ | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 88/4 | 17(73.9) | 4 | 6 | 0 | 14(87.5) | 9 | 5 | 0 |
| 87/5 | 1( 4.4) | 11 1 | 0 | 0 | 2(12.5) | 1 | 1 | 0 |
|  | 23 | 16 | 7 | 0 | 16 | 10 | 6 | 0 |

Total trapped: 39

Trapping period: 18 May - 16 September
命 Egg take: 22,860

Table 7. Summary of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to the Crooked River satellite, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

|  | Males |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY/Age | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts |
| 89/3 | 13(10.1) | 11 | 0 | 2 | 0 ( 0.0) | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 88/4 | 112(86.8) | 106 | 0 | 6 | 91(96.8) | 87 | 0 | 4 |
| 87/5 | 4( 3.1) | 4 | 0 | 0 | $3(3.2)$ | 3 | 0 | 0 |
|  | $134{ }^{\circ}$ | 121 | 0 | 8 | 94 | 90 | 0 | 4 |

Total trapped:
228
Trapping period: $\quad 18$ March - 21 September
N Egg take: 0
aLengths for five males not included in the age categories, but included in the total, were unknown.

Table 8. Summary of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to the Powell satellite, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

| Males |  |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: |
| BY/Age | Trapped | Released | Spawne | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawne | Morts |  |
| $89 / 3$ | $6(4.4)$ | 0 | 5 | 1 | $0(0.0)$ | 0 | 6 | 0 |  |
| $88 / 4$ | $118(86.1)$ | 0 | 109 | 9 | $131(98.5)$ | 0 | 126 | 5 |  |
| $87 / 5$ | $13(9.5)$ | 0 | 13 | 0 | $2(1.5)$ | 0 | 2 | 0 |  |
|  | 137 | 0 | 127 | 10 | 133 | 0 | 128 | 5 |  |

Total trapped: 270
Trapping period: 25 May - 17 September Egg
$\stackrel{\sim}{\sim}$
take: 521,000

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Rearing, Marking, Releases-Clearwater FH satellites released about 1,000,000 chinook salmon presmolts in fall 1992 (Table 5 and Appendix A Table 3). An additional 422,000 fish were released from Red River FH and Powell FH ponds in April 1992.

Adult Returns-Five hundred thirty-seven adult spring chinook salmon returned to the Clearwater FH satellites in 1992, including 39 at Red River, 228 at Crooked River, and 270 at Powell (tables 6, 7, and 8).

## Red River Satellite (Clearwater FH)

Rearing, Marking, Release-Approximately 355,000 presmolts and 207,400 smolts were released from the Red River facility for the 1992 emigration (Table 5 and Appendix A Table 3).

Adult Returns-Thirty-nine adult spring chinook salmon were trapped between May 18 and September 16, 1992, including 23 (59\%) males and 16 (41\%) females (Table 6). Sixteen males ( $69.6 \%$ ) and 10 ( $62.5 \%$ ) females were released above the weir to spawn naturally. These returns resulted from combined presmolt and smolt releases of about 993, 000 between 1988 and 1991, and from natural production. No pre-spawning mortality occurred for fish kept for hatchery production.

A total of 22,860 eggs stripped from six females (3,810 eggs/female) were fertilized with milt from seven males in approximately a $1: 1$ ratio. About $96 \%$ of these, or 21,937 eggs survived to eye-up stage. The resulting juveniles will be early-reared at Clearwater FH and returned to Red River satellite in June 1993 for supplementation (ISS) releases in October 1993.

## Crooked River Satellite (Clearwater FH)

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Approximately 320,000 spring chinook salmon presmolts were released from the Crooked River satellite in October 1991 (Table 5 and Appendix A Table 3). No smolt releases were made in Crooked River in spring 1992.

Adult Returns-Two hundred twenty-eight spring chinook salmon adults were trapped between March 18 and September 21, 1992 (Table 7). Of these, 134 ( $59 \%$ ) were males ( 13 three-year olds; 112 four-year olds; 4 five-year olds) and 94 ( $41 \%$ ) were females ( 91 four-year olds; 3 five-year olds). These adult returns resulted from combined fry, presmolt, and smolt releases totalling 1,240,000 between 1988 and 1991, and from natural production (Appendix B Table 3).

## Powell Satellite (Clearwater FH)

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Powell satellite released 350,000 spring chinook salmon presmolts in October 1991 (Table 5 and Appendix A Table 3). Spring
releases included acclimated and unacclimated (direct release) groups that totalled 240, 000.

Adult Returns-Two hundred seventy spring chinook salmon adults were trapped between May 25 and September 17, 1992. Of these, 137 ( $51 \%$ ) were males ( 6 three yearolds; 118 four year-olds; 13 five year-olds) and 133 (49\%) were females ( 131 four year-olds; 2 five year-olds) \{Table 8). We did not install the weir (Lochsa River at Powell) for chinook salmon in 1992. We considered all adult salmon fish entering Walton Creek (i.e. the Powell trap) to be of hatchery origin because they did so volitionally. None of the fish trapped at Walton Creek were released to spawn naturally. We considered fish migrating beyond Walton Creek to be of natural origin. The 1992 returns to the Powell facility resulted from combined presmolt and smolt releases of about 1,460,000 between 1988 and 1991 ( Appendix B Table 3).

Approximately 521,000 eggs stripped from 128 females (4,070 eggs/females) were fertilized with milt from 127 males in a 1:1 pairing. Of these, $473,108(90.8 \%)$ survived to eye-up stage. Juveniles resulting from these eggs are scheduled for release as smolts in 1994.

## Sawtooth Fish Hatchery

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Sawtooth FH released 1,340,478 BY 1990 spring chinook salmon smolts in spring 1992 including 1,263,864 Sawtooth FH stock and 76,614 East Fork SR stock fish (Table 2 and Appendix A Table 4). About 1,500 PIT tagged Sawtooth FH stock (BY 1990) presmolts were released in fall 1991. Sawtooth FH also reared and released 303,801 Rapid River FH stock spring chinook salmon presmolts for release into the Yankee Fork Salmon River (Appendix A Table 4). (An additional 50,480 Rapid River spring chinook salmon fingerlings were released directly to the Yankee Fork dredge ponds from Rapid River FH.)

Fish released directly from Sawtooth FH to the Salmon River were allowed to emigrate volitionally from March 9-13. Fish remaining in raceways on March 13 were then forced out in the usual manner.

About 32\% of the BY 1990 Sawtooth FH stock fish were marked (CWT/AD) for the ongoing rearing density study (Appendix A Table 4). The CWT fish will provide smolt-toadult return rate and fisheries contribution information. The rearing density experiment was designed in conjunction with the Idaho Fisheries Research Office and is being run simultaneously at Sawtooth FH and Dworshak NFH. The BY 1990 fish represent the second of three brood years to be tested.

About 52\% of the Sawtooth FH stock fish (BY 1990) were marked with a left ventral fin clip (LV) to provide for recognition of these fish upon return as adults. Some of these LVed fish also bore freeze brands or PIT tags. Virtually all of the BY 1990 East Fork SR satellite fish were marked (CWT/AD or AD only) (Appendix A Table 4).

Prior to 1991, Sawtooth FH chinook salmon were usually marked in the fall.
However, CWTing (and adipose clipping) of BY 1990 fish occurred in June 1991.

Fish not marked in June were fin-clipped (left ventral) between September 17-20, 1991. At this same time, a group of about 1,500 fish was PIT tagged and released.

BY 1990 fish were generally in good health throughout the rearing cycle. Green egg-to-smolt survival for BY 1990 Sawtooth FH stock chinook salmon was about $85 \%$. BY 1990 fish were given two 21-d oral erythromycin treatments, one each in March and May 1991. BKD was present in four of six fish, tested by the ELISA method, in February 1992 (D. Munson, IDFG, unpublished).


#### Abstract

About 80\% of the BY 1991 Sawtooth FH stock chinook salmon, including fish for ISS, were released in fall of 1992 as a precautionary measure (Appendix A Table 4). Water flows in the upper Salmon River were the lowest on record in 1992. Fish were released to avoid the possibility of inadequate water supply at the hatchery during the winter. Sawtooth FH stock high BKD fish, some of the Sawtooth FH fish bound for the upper Salmon River under the ISS, and all of East Fork SR stock fish were retained at the hatchery for release in spring 1993.


Adult Returns-A total of 387 spring chinook salmon were trapped at Sawtooth FH between May 28 and September 8, 1992 (Table 9). Of these, 222 (57.0\%) were males (26 three-year olds; 153 four-year olds; 43 five-year olds) and 165 ( $43 \%$ ) were females (3 three-year olds; 79 four-year olds; 83 five-year olds)(Table 9). Twelve jacks ( $46 \%$ of the all jacks trapped), 77 four- and five-year-old males (39\%), and 56 four- and five-year-old females (35\%) were released above the weir to spawn naturally (Table 9). (Note that these are the numbers reported by hatchery personnel based on historical length-at-age criteria.)

A new spawning protocol was implemented in 1992 to make the best use, genetically, of the limited number of gametes available in this year's run. Eggs from each female spawned were divided evenly among two buckets. Eggs in each bucket were then fertilized with the milt from different individual males. Approximately 468,297 green eggs stripped from 104 females (4,503 eggs/female) were fertilized with the milt from 133 males (including 14 jacks). Out of necessity, a shortage of ripe males on a particular spawning day, some males were used twice. These green eggs yielded 423,600 eyed eggs (90.5\% eye-up) (Coonts 1992). Prespawning mortality of ponded fish was $2.1 \%$ and included 2 males ( $1.5 \%$ ) and 3 females (2.8\%).

CWTs were recovered from 24 of 33 ad-clipped fish that returned to the Sawtooth FH rack (Appendix D Table 2). Of these, one was an East Fork Salmon River release (a four year-old female) and two (a four year-old male and a five year-old female) were tagged at Columbia River mile 141. As previously mentioned, an additional fish which had been released at Sawtooth FH (a three year-old male) was recovered at the South Fork SR weir (Appendix C Table 1). The remaining 21 recoveries, all of Sawtooth FH origin included: 1 three year-old male, 9 four year-old males, 2 five year-old males, 7 four year-old females, and 2 five-year old females (Appendix C Table 2). Therefore, the age composition of these 21 fish of known Sawtooth FH origin was $4.8 \%$ age three, $76.2 \%$ age four, and $19.0 \%$ age five. CWTed fish (all 24) made up $6.2 \%$ of the 1992 chinook salmon rack returns to Sawtooth FH. Discounting the East Fork Salmon River fish that was trapped at the Sawtooth FH weir, the Sawtooth FH fish that strayed to the South Fork SR trap represents $4.3 \%$ (1/23) or 4.8\% (1/21) of the Sawtooth FH CWT

Table 9. Summary of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to the Sawtooth FH trap, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

| Males |  |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY/Age | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts |
| 89/3 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { 26(11 } \\ & 12 \end{aligned}$ |  | 14 | 0 | $3(1.8)$ | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| 88/4 | $153(6$ |  | 93 | 2 | 79(47.9) | 25 | 53 | 1 |
| 87/5 | $\begin{aligned} & 53(19 \\ & 19 \end{aligned}$ |  | 24 | 0 | 83(50.3) | 31 | $48^{\text {a }}$ | 2 |
|  | 2 | 89 | 131 | 2 | 165 | 56 | 104 | 3 |

Total trapped: 387
Trapping period: 28 May - 8 September
N Egg take: 468,297
Two additional females were unused.
returns, depending on whether or not the fish tagged on the Columbia were of Sawtooth FH origin.

Two BY 1987 fall released fish, distinguished by right ventral clips (RV), returned to Sawtooth FH in 1992. Both were females.

The combined final return rates (SAR) from release to the rack for CWTed and RVed BY 1987 Sawtooth FH spring chinook salmon was 0.0040\% (Appendix B Table 4). Marked fall released fish, including CWTed and RVed fish, returned at a rate of 0.0037\%. CWTed and RVed fall released fish returned at rates of $0.0020 \%$ and $0.0052 \%$, respectively. Spring released fish, for which only CWT estimates exist, returned at a rate of $0.0054 \%$. The estimated SAR under the assumption that all fish trapped at the Sawtooth FH rack were of Sawtooth FH origin was $0.0240 \%$.

## East Fork Salmon River (Sawtooth FH)

Rearing, Marking, Releases-All of the BY 1990 East Fork SR stock spring chinook salmon, about 76,600, were released as smolts at the East Fork SR satellite site (Table 2 and Appendix A Table 4). These smolts resulted from 106,000 green eggs taken in 1990, a $72 \%$ green egg-to-smolt survival. Rearing conditions, disease treatments, and marking schedules for East Fork SR satellite fish paralleled that of Sawtooth FH stock chinook salmon.

Adult Returns-A total of 65 spring chinook salmon was trapped at the East Fork SR site between June 1 and September 8, 1992 (Table 10). Of these, 52 ( $80 \%$ ) were males and $13(20 \%)$ were females. Green egg take from seven females totalled 30,500 (4,356 eggs per female). These eggs were fertilized with the milt from 18 males; eggs from each female were split into three equal parts and fertilized with the milt of a different male in a $3: 1$ pairing. Green egg-to-eyed egg survival for BY 1990 eggs was $92.4 \%$. Thirty-four males (65\%) and six females (46\%) were released above the weir.

A CWT was retrieved from the only ad-clipped fish that returned to the East Fork SR trap in 1992. The fish was a four year-old female. An additional four-year-old female of East Fork SR origin returned to the Sawtooth FH rack.

Adult returns were completed for BY 1987 in 1992; no CWTed fish from that brood year returned in 1992. In total, one BY 1987 chinook salmon returned to the rack from the single group of 59,529 CWTed smolts released in spring 1989 (SAR = 0.0017\%) ( Appendix B Table 5). The maximum estimated SAR for the East Fork SR BY 1987 was 0. $019 \%$. The two BY 1988 release groups (CWT) of about 47,000 smolts have produced one return each thus far, yielding an incomplete SAR of $0.0021 \%$ for each group.

Table 10. Summary of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to the East Fork Salmon River satellite, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

|  | Males |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY/Age | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawned | Morts |
| $89 / 3$ | $14(26.9)$ | 9 | 5 | 0 | $1(7.7)$ | 0 | 1 |  |
| $88 / 4$ | $22(42.3)$ | 17 | 5 | 0 | $5(38.5)$ | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| $87 / 5$ | $16(30.8)$ | 8 | 8 | 0 | $7(53.8)$ | 0 | 3 | 4 |
|  | 52 | 34 | 18 | 0 | 13 | 6 | 7 | 0 |

Total trapped: 65
Trapping period: June 1 - September 8
~ Egg take: 30,494

## Fisheries Contribution - Idaho

Shoshone-Bannock tribal members harvested about 100 summer chinook salmon from the South Fork SR in 1992. The harvest consisted of an estimated 71 hatchery and 29 natural fish (K. Kutchins, Shoshone-Bannock Tribe, personal communications).

Nez Perce tribal members and sport anglers harvested an estimated 160 and 54 spring chinook salmon, respectively, from the North Fork and mainstem Clearwater River fishery in 1992 (Jones and Miller 1992; K. Ball, IDFG, unpublished). An additional 144 fish were caught and released by sport anglers. The estimated age composition of the 198 fish caught in the sport fishery was $18.7 \%$ (37) jacks and $81.3 \%$ (161) "adults", i.e four and five-year olds. We assume that most of these fish were of Dworshak NFH origin because six out of seven (85.7\%) CWTs recovered from snouts of 10 adipose clipped fish bore Dworshak NFH codes. The other CWT recovered bore a National Marine Fisheries Services tag code indicating that the fish had been tagged at a downriver site. We estimated that about $90 \%$ of the fish caught in the 1990 Clearwater River fishery were of hatchery origin (Cannamela 1992). About 30\% of the fish caught by sport anglers bore adipose fin clips (K. Ball, IDFG, personal communication).

## Documentation/Evaluation: Steelhead Trout

## Hagerman National Fish Hatchery (Hagerman NFH)

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Hagerman NFH released 850,200 A-run (Sawtooth FH and Pahsimeroi FH stock) and 602,900 B-run (Dworshak NFH and East Fork SR stock) steelhead trout smolts to Salmon River sites between April 6-22, 1992 (Appendix A Table 5). BY 1991 fish were marked for several purposes including size at release and acclimation studies. Acclimation studies were initiated in 1992 to assess to effects of " acclimating" fish at Sawtooth FH on survival. Fish were trucked to Sawtooth FH and placed in raceways about 3 weeks prior to release. Both A-Run and B-Run smolt releases contained PIT tagged groups to provide migration timing and survival evaluations.

## Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery

Rearing, Marking, Releases-Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery (SH) released 1,119, 200A-run (Oxbow FH and Pahsimeroi FH stock) and 1,041,100 B-run (East Fork SR and Dworshak NFH stock) steelhead trout smolts between April 6-25, 1992 (Appendix A Table 6). A-run fish at Magic Valley SH were predominately of Oxbow FH stock due to egg shortages at Pahsimeroi and Sawtooth FHs. Both releases included CWT and PIT tagged groups.

BY 1991 fish were rated in good to excellent health throughout the rearing cycle (M. Baer, M. Graham, J. Rankin, IDFG, unpublished). Fish health personnel detected IHN in East Fork SR stock Bs in July 1991. IHN and IPN were present at
low titres in Pahsimeroi FH As. These diseases had no detectable negative impacts on fish health or quality.

All fish were held off feed for varying lengths of time in each month from September 1991 up to and including February 1992 to keep them on schedule to reach the target size at release of $4.5 \mathrm{fpp}(220 \mathrm{~mm})$. Fish were held off feed for periods that varied from several to 21 d .

## 1990-91 Adult Steelhead Trout Returns

Sawtooth Fish Hatchery Weir-A total of 1,705 A-run steelhead trout was trapped at the Sawtooth FH weir between March 5 and April 30, including 1,206 \{70.7\%) males and 497 ( $29.1 \%$ ) females (Table 11)(Alsager 1992). The hatchery-origin portion of the return included 1,180 ( $75.7 \%$ ) males and 479 (24.3\%) females. The natural (unmarked) portion of the rack return included 26 (59\%) males and 18 (41\%) females. Hatchery personnel released 497 males and 175 females upstream of the weir; all unmarked fish trapped at the weir are considered to be of natural origin and are released. Naturally produced fish comprised $2.6 \%$ of the Sawtooth FH rack return. A total of 1,406,360 eggs was taken from 307 females (mean = 4,581 eggs per female). These eggs were fertilized with the milt from 362 males in approximately a $2: 1$ pairing. Milt from two males was added simultaneously to the eggs of one female. Green egg-to-eyed egg survival for these BY 1992 steelhead trout eggs was $84.1 \%$ producing 1,182,500 eyed eggs.

Returns to the Sawtooth FH weir in 1991-92 resulted from 1989 (2-ocean) and 1990 ( 1-ocean) releases of Hagerman-reared fish and Magic Valley SH-reared fish and from natural production (Tables $11 \& 12$ and Appendix B Tables $6 \& 7$ ).

The estimated SAR for three CWTed A-run steelhead trout groups (Hagerman NFH BY 1988) released at the Sawtooth FH weir was $0.07 \%$, ranging from 0.04-0.09\%. The pooled SAR estimate for three CWTed A-run groups (Magic Valley SH, BY 1988) released to the Little Salmon River was 0.16\%, and ranged from 0.11-0.20\%. Approximately 8,203 A-run steelhead trout of LSRCP origin were harvested in the 1991-1992 season (K. Ball, IDFG, personal communication).

East Fork Salmon River Weir-Adult returns to the East Fork Salmon River weir totaled 156 B-run steelhead trout, including 91 males (58.3\%) and 65 females ( $41.7 \%$ ) trapped between March 18 and May 4, 1992 \{Table 12) (Alsager 1992). The hatcheryproduced (marked) portion of the rack return consisted of 68 (61.3\%) males and 43 (38. $7 \%$ ) females. The naturally-produced (unmarked) portion of the rack return, which comprised 28.8\% of the total rack return, consisted of 23 (51.1\%) males and 22 (48.9\%) females. All of the unmarked fish were released above the weir along with an additional 13 and six marked males and females, respectively. About 151,00 green eggs taken from 37 females (mean $=4,075$ eggs/female) were fertilized with the sperm of 53 males in 2:1 pairings. Milt from two males was added simultaneously to the eggs of one female. Green egg-toeyed egg survival was $89.7 \%$ producing 135,200 eyed eggs.

Table 11. Summary of 1992 A-run steelhead trout returns to the Sawtooth Fish Hatchery weir, including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.


Table 12. Summary of 1992 B-run steelhead trout returns to the East Fork Salmon River weir including naturally produced fish. Numbers are those reported by hatchery personnel based on hatchery aging criteria. Percent of run by sex in parentheses.

|  | Males |  |  |  | Females |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY | Trapped | Released | Spawne | Morts | Trapped | Released | Spawne | Morts |
| 90 | NA | d |  |  | NA | d |  |  |
| 89 |  |  | NA |  | NA |  |  |  |
|  | $91^{\text {a }}$ | 38 | 53 | 0 | $65^{\text {b }}$ | 28 | 37 | 0 |

Total trapped: 156
Trapping period: 18 March - 4 May Egg
take: 150,790
$\underset{\sim}{\omega}$
a - includes 23 wild fish
${ }^{\mathrm{b}}$ - includes 22 wild fish
*- 90 kelts were given to the

East Fork SR B-run returns resulted from 1988, 1989, and 1990 releases of Hagerman NFH-reared smolts and 1989 and 1990 releases of Magic Valley NFH-reared smolts (Appendix B, Tables 6 \& 7). Hagerman NFH releases included one CWT group in 1988 and three in 1989. Magic Valley SH releases included three CWT groups in 1989 and seven in 1990.

The SAR estimate for the 1988 release at the East Fork SR weir (including fisheries) was $0.031 \%$ (K. Ball, IDFG, personal communication). Sport anglers harvested about 1, 647 B-run steelhead in the 1991-92 season.

## Migration Conditions (1989 and 1992 Emigration Years)

Flows at LGR in 1989 (emigration year for BY 1987 chinook salmon and BY 1988 steelhead trout, return years 1990-92) were poor to fair for both the "peak" (April 15 May 5) and "extended" (April 20 - May 30) migration periods; flows during these periods averaged 93.6 kcfs and 87.2 kcfs, respectively (Table 13). Flows 585 kcfs are considered extremely detrimental to emigrating juvenile salmonids (CBFWA 1991, Andrus 1991). The Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority (CBFWA 1991) has recommended flows of 140 kcfs for the April 15 - June 15 period and the State of Idaho has proposed mainstem reservoir drawdown as a means to achieve an equivalent water velocity (Andrus 1991) in years with low and average snow packs.

Flows at LGR during the 1992 mid-April to mid-May migration period were the lowest since 1977 providing extremely poor juvenile emigration conditions. Flows at LGR for the peak and extended periods averaged 54.2 kcfs and 57.3 kcfs , respectively.

## Migration Survival and Timing

PIT tag detection rates (minimum survival estimates) from release site to LGR for various LSRCP and Idaho Power Company (IPC) hatchery release groups of chinook salmon varied from 2.1\% (fall-released Sawtooth FH spring chinook salmon) to $57.3 \%$ ( Dworshak NFH spring-released spring chinook salmon that were reared at low densities)( Figure 2 and Appendix E). Detection rates of fish in the rearing density experiments at both Dworshak NFH and Sawtooth FH varied inversely with rearing density.

Detection rates for hatchery steelhead trout juveniles varied from about $35 \%$ to $67 \%$ ( Figure 3). Detection rates were similar for "large" and "regular" sized Hagerman NFH reared smolts released at the Sawtooth FH weir. Acclimated regular sized steelhead trout were detected at lower rates than any of the groups assessed. Acclimation for these fish consisted of 21 d in Sawtooth FH raceways prior to release at the weir.

We will present a detailed analysis of 1991 and 1992 PIT tag data in a separate Research Bulletin.

Table 13. Snake River mean daily flow at Lower Granite Dam during the "peak" and "extended" spring chinook salmon smolt migration periods, 1977-92.

| Year | "Peak" <br> $(04 / 15-05 / 05)$ | "Extended" <br> $(04 / 20-05 / 30)$ |
| :--- | :---: | :---: |
| 1977 | 39.1 | 40.2 |
| 1978 |  |  |
| 1979 | 85.4 | 95.8 |
| 1980 | 64.8 | 89.9 |
| 1981 | 87.5 | 102.9 |
| 1982 | 76.2 | 86.7 |
| 1983 | 116.8 | 131.6 |
| 1984 | 85.6 | 111.3 |
| 1985 | 121.9 | 146.1 |
| 1986 | 86.9 | 87.2 |
| 1987 | 93.4 | 105.7 |
| 1988 | 59.0 | 62.4 |
| 1989 | 55.1 | 64.2 |
| 1990 | 93.6 | 87.2 |
| 1991 | 63.8 | 66.4 |
| 1992 | 44.0 | 79.8 |
|  | 54.2 | 57.3 |

Emigration conditions associated with flows at Lower Granite Dam are as follow:

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\begin{gathered}
<85 \text { KCFS = poor } \\
85-100=\text { fair } \\
110-120=\text { good } \\
120+=\text { excellent }
\end{gathered}
$$



Figure 2. Detection rates at Lower Granite, Little Goose, and McNary dams (cumulative) of PIT tagged hatchery chinook salmon in the 1991 (a) and the 1992 (b) emigrations.


Figure 3. Detection rates at Lower Granite, Little Goose, and McNary dams ( cumulative) of PIT-tagged hatchery steelhead trout in the 1991 (a) and the 1992 (b) migrations.

## Scale Pattern Analysis

We pressed approximately 320 known hatchery, 65 known wild, and 80 unknown origin scales and provided copies of some of these samples to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) personnel in Corvallis. We are awaiting results of their analysis.

## Age of Hatchery Returns-Chinook Salmon

Age distribution estimates of McCall and Sawtooth FHs adult chinook salmon returns varied somewhat among the two different aging methods used (figures 4 and 5 and Appendix E).

At the McCall FH rack, 2 of 38 (5.3\%) known three-year-old fish of McCall FH origin would have been misclassified as four-year olds based on hatchery aging criteria. None would have been misclassified as five-year olds. Of the 553 known four-year-old fish, 22 \{ $4.0 \%$ ) and 1 ( $0.2 \%$ ) would have been misclassified as three and five-year olds, respectively. Of two known five-year-old fish, both (100\%) would have been misclassified as four-year-old fish. Therefore, if the CWT returns accurately represent age composition of the 1992 run, aging based on length slightly overestimates three- and five-year olds and slightly underestimates four-year olds.

At the Sawtooth FH rack, 1 of 2 known three-year-old fish would have been misclassified as a four-year old based on hatchery aging criteria. Two of 16 known four-year-old fish (12.5\%) would have been misclassified as three-year olds; all four known five-year-old fish would have been classified correctly. Aging based on length tended to underestimate three- and four-year olds and overestimate five-year olds relative to the CWT-based estimate. However, the small sample size (22) of CWT returns limits the usefulness of this comparison.

## Sex Ratios of Hatchery Returns-Chinook Salmon

Sex ratios (male:female) for 1992 adult chinook salmon returns to hatchery racks varied from 1.0:1-3.2:1 for estimates excluding jacks (Table 14). Sex ratios (male:female) for four- and five year-old chinook salmon at the East Fork Salmon River trap have ranged from 2.3:1 (1991) to 3.4:1 (1990). Comparative sex ratios for other facilities, while showing some variability, have tended to approximate a $1: 1$ ratio.

## Experimentation - Objective 2

The second major objective of the LSRCP HES is to identify and test rearing and release strategies deemed likely to improve adult returns to Idaho. Adult returns are incomplete for fish designated for experimentation purposes.


Figure 4. Age breakdown of summer and spring chinook salmon returning to the South Fork Salmon River a) and Sawtooth Fish Hatchery (b), respectively, in 1992. Method A is based on the length frequency histograms given in the hatchery run reports; method C, on known-age data from 1992 CWT recoveries.


Figure 5. Adult chinook salmon returns from Idaho LSRCP releases in relation to program goals.

Table 14. Sex ratios (male:female) of 1992 adult chinook salmon returns to Idaho hatchery racks - based on hatchery estimates. (Females value adjusted to 1 ; therefore, 1.5 represents a $\mathrm{M}: F$ ratio of $1.5: 1$ ) Values from 1991 returns are in parentheses.

| Facility | $\mathrm{M}: \mathrm{F}$ ratio (by age category) |  |  | Five-year olds 5.0 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Four- and five-year olds | All ages | Four-year olds |  |
| McCall FH | 1.3 (0.7) | 1.5 (4.2) | 1.3 |  |
| DNFH/KNFH |  | 1.0 (0.9) ${ }^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |
| Red River | 1.1 (1.4) | 1.4 (1.6) | 1.2 | 0.5 |
| Crooked River | 1.2 (2.6) | 1.4 (3.0) | 1.2 | 1.3 |
| Powell | 1.0 (4.2) | $1.0 \quad$ (5.6) | 0.9 | 6.5 |
| Sawtooth | 1.2 (0.9) | 1.3 (1.1) | 1.9 | 0.5 |
| East Fork | 3.2 (2.3) | 4.0 (2.6) | 4.4 | 2.3 |

${ }^{\text {a }} 658$ out of 681 returns to Dworshak NFH/Kooskia NFH were sexed.

Selected intermediate results, e.g. PIT tag detection rates, number of vertebrae sampled and processed, number of returns from density groups, may be reported herein prior to the return of adults from experimental groups. For the most part, however, results of ongoing experimentation will be reported in the form of progress reports as the data become available. A final report will summarize results of the completed experiment. In the meantime, we continued to collect, analyze (as is appropriate), and catalogue data from the various experiments in progress.

DISCUSSION

## Adult Returns in Relation to LSRCP Goals-Chinook Salmon

Returns from LSRCP hatchery programs remained well below the specified program goals in 1992 (Figures 5 and 6). We do not expect to attain the smolt-to-adult survival rates necessary to achieve the program goals until and unless migration conditions in the lower Snake and Columbia rivers improve substantially.

Returns to LSRCP hatcheries in 1992, other than McCall FH, were not dramatically different from those of 1991. Summer chinook salmon returns to the South Fork SR trap reached an all time high in 1992 and reflected the relative strength of the BY 1988 year class; 821 jacks were trapped in 1991. The hatchery component dominated the 1991 and 1992 returns to the South Fork SR rack. The BY 1988 fish accounted for $64-90 \%$ of the 1992 rack return.

The reason for the relative success of the BY 1988 McCall FH fish (SARs around $0.23 \%$, compared to $0.004 \%$ for BY 1987), with one return year remaining, is speculative. Improved fish health of BY 1988 fish, compared to that of the BY 1987 fish, may account for some of the difference in survival between these two cohorts, particularly in view of the fact that flow conditions at LGR were more favorable in 1989 than in 1990. The strictly qualitative nature of fish health data at this point limits the strength of our conclusions.

Poor flow conditions that prevailed in 1990 may have dampened the potential benefits of slight improvements in fish health (and SARs) reported for BY 1988 fish at Sawtooth FH, East Fork SR, and Dworshak NFH facilities. Brood year 1988 SARs improved slightly (Sawtooth FH and East Fork SR) to several-fold (Dworshak NFH) over those of BY 1987. However, these improved SARs were not enough to substantially increases 1992 rack returns. Adult chinook salmon return numbers at the East Fork Salmon River were unchanged from 1991, Sawtooth FH returns were down slightly, continuing the downward trend begun in 1990, and Dworshak NFH returns rebounded slightly from a very poor return in 1991. (By comparison, summer chinook salmon returns to Pahsimeroi hatchery declined precipitously in 1992 while spring chinook salmon returns to Rapid River FH were up from 1991 to numbers consistent with 1989 and 1990 returns.) Brood year 88 chinook salmon from McCall and Rapid River FHs shared similar success in returning adults while other stocks seemed to struggle.

Thousands


Figure 6. Adult steelhead trout returns from Idaho LSRCP releases in relation to program goals. Total includes sport harvest of LSRCP steelhead trout.

## Smolt-to-adult Survival Rates-Chinook Salmon

Smolt-to-adult return rates for BY 1987 hatchery spring and summer chinook salmon were below replacement levels and the lowest on record for Idaho LSRCP (and IPC) hatchery fish (Figures 7-9). We suggest relatively poor fish health of BY 1987 chinook salmon throughout the state contributed to, but was not the sole cause of, the poor survival of this cohort. Chronic BKD was the predominate health characteristic common to BY 1987 chinook salmon (McPherson, 1990, 1991; Levendofske et al. 1991, Levendofske et al. 1992; Alsager 1990, Rogers 1989). Erythromycin was not fed to BY 1987 chinook salmon.

Marking probably exacerbated the existent fish health problems for BY 1987 chinook salmon. Hatchery managers noted an inordinate amount of mortality immediately following marking (CWTing, freeze branding); dead and moribund fish showed signs of BKD. Differential mortality (immediate and latent) between marked and unmarked fish may explain the disparity between CWT and "maximum" SAR estimates; observed for this cohort. In all cases (McCall FH, Dworshak NFH, and Sawtooth FH) maximum SAR estimates were much greater (4-11 fold) than CWT estimates (figures 7-9). Returns from natural production can explain some but not all of this discrepancy.

The relatively low SARs observed for BY 1987 spring chinook salmon from other locations in the Snake River Basin suggest that factors other than fish health contributed to the relatively poor returns from this cohort. ODFW noted relatively low SARs, $0.06 \%$ and $0.13 \%$, respectively, for spring chinook salmon from the Lookingglass FH (Rapid River stock) and Imnaha facilities (R. Carmichael, ODFW, personal communication). Factors common to Snake River Basin chinook salmon, such as in-river and ocean conditions (Lawson 1993), undoubtedly affect year class strength. Quantifying the relative importance of factors affecting year class strength remains a problem.

## Limitations to Our Analyses - Chinook Salmon

At this point, the accuracy and utility of our evaluations is limited by our ability to effectively categorize adult returns according to age and origin. Our methods of determining age and origin of adult returns, CWT extrapolations and hatchery aging (length) criteria, allow for error in our estimates. Estimating the age composition and hatchery contribution to the run from CWT data relies on the assumption that our CWT sample is representative of the run. CWT data does provide accurate aging of the fish that are sampled but may not represent the age distribution of the run, particularly in cases of small sample sizes. In situations where differential survival exists between marked and unmarked fish, as we proposed was the case for the BY 1987 chinook salmon, CWT data misrepresents the hatchery:natural composition of the run. The aging criteria used by hatcheries is static, not allowing for variation in length-at-age caused by environmental factors.

SAR (\%)


Figure 7. Smolt-to-adult survival rates for McCall Fish Hatchery summer chinook salmon based on coded-wire tags and total or maximum estimates.


Figure 8. Smolt-to-adult survival rates for Dworshak National Fish Hatchery spring chinook salmon based on coded-wire tags and total or maximum estimates.


Figure 9. Smolt-to-adult survival rates for Sawtooth Fish Hatchery spring chinook salmon based on coded-wire tags and total or maximum estimates.

We intend to improve the accuracy of our estimates by augmenting CWT and length-frequency data with scale reading data. We will collect and read scales from adult chinook salmon to determine age and origin, at least until the time when all returning adults of hatchery origin are marked, about 1996.

Dworshak NFH represents the best comparison of CWTed and unmarked adult return rates. We are confident, based on scale pattern analysis, CWT data, and the fact that there are few sources of naturally produced adults that could return to the Dworshak NFH rack or the North Fork Clearwater River, that chinook salmon returning to these locations are predominately of hatchery (Dworshak NFH) origin. In this respect, Dworshak NFH fish provide some clues as to the effect of marking on the survival of a particular year class.

Our ability to evaluate fry and fingerling releases is limited because these fish are not differentially marked, if marked at all. Fortunately, most fry and fingerling releases occur in areas that will not complicate our evaluation of smolt and presmolt releases. Also, fry and fingerling releases comprise a small part of Idaho's hatchery programs. ISS designs include plans to monitor the success of fingerling outplanting strategies.

## Fall versus Spring Releases - Chinook Salmon

We are unable to draw solid conclusions about the effectiveness of fall release strategies because of inconsistencies in the results of fall releases. Overall, for BY 1987 fish, fall released spring chinook salmon presmolts produced lower release-to-adult return rates than did spring released smolts (Sawtooth FH and Dworshak NFH). But, SARs for Sawtooth FH ventral clipped fall released fish equalled those of spring released CWTed fish ( $0.0052 \%$ v. $0.0054 \%$ ). Fall-released CWTed chinook salmon from Sawtooth FH survived to adults at less than one-half that rate ( $0.0020 \%$ ), suggesting that this difference can be attributed to the type of mark applied. These data are complicated by the unexpected finding that Sawtooth FH fall-released fish (CWT and RV groups) fared better than did Dworshak NFH fall and spring releases (CWT groups only). Notably, these comparisons are limited by the fact that these SAR estimates are derived from a total of six and nine CWT and RV returns, respectively. Fall released BY 1986 spring chinook salmon from Sawtooth FH marked with a ventral (left) clip had SARs equal to those of their spring released CWTed counterparts (Cannamela and Kruse-Malle 1993). Fall released BY 1985 fish from Sawtooth FH (LV clip) survived at about one-half the rate of spring released (CWTed) fish (Cannamela 1992). As in the case of BY 1987 data, BY 1985 data were limited by the small number of returns providing the estimates.

I see two reasons to continue using the fall release strategy: we still do not understand the potential for fall releases to produce adults and fall releases may be necessary to maintain an important life history feature of the species. Downstream movement (migration) in late summer through late fall is a well documented life history characteristic of anadromous and non-anadromous salmonids alike (Harris 1973; Kiefer 1993; Leitzinger et al. 1993; RASP 1992). As such, hatchery operations should provide for the preservation of this portion of the population (Hard et al. 1992, Steward and Bjornn 1990).

One way to
achieve this goal might be to provide hatchery reared fish the opportunity to leave the hatchery volitionally. This hatchery practice might provide two benefits. First, the fall emigrant portion of the population might be preserved and secondly, survival rates of fall released (volitional) might increase (Segarich 1989).

## Scale Pattern Analysis - Chinook Salmon

Our sample sizes are still small for most wild populations, and samples have not been collected from some populations. We anticipate having to collect scales for several years in order to reach the preferred "training" population size of 200 specified by ODFW (Lisa Borgerson, ODFW, personal communication). The effort to mark most of our BY 1991 hatchery chinook salmon will provide "knowns" for both hatchery- and naturally-produced fish. We hope that scale pattern analyses will improve our estimates of run composition ( hatchery versus natural) and age structure.

## Sex Ratios of Hatchery and Wild Steelhead Trout

Sex ratios of hatchery (marked) versus naturally-produced (unmarked) adult steelhead trout have differed over the past few years. Sex ratios (male:female) for A-run hatchery fish trapped at Sawtooth FH have ranged from 2.3:1 (1990) to 4.7:1 (1991) while those of natural steelhead trout varied from 0.9:1 (1990) to 2:1 (1991). Sex ratios for B-run fish trapped at the East Fork SR weir varied from 1.6:1 (1992) to 3.1:1 (1991) for hatchery fish and from $0.5: 1\{1990$ ) to $1.3: 1$ (1991). The predominance of males in the hatchery runs remains unexplained. Sampling of hatchery steelhead trout smolts in 1992, for a different purpose (C. Contor, IDFG, unpublished data), revealed about a 1:1 ratio in the juveniles. The sex ratio of fish in the spring fishery parallels that of the rack returns (K. Ball, IDFG, personal communication). We have yet to examine the catch data for the fall fishery to determine if differential catch (or keep) rates exist. We also have not determined if age structure of the returns could account for this phenomenon.

## Proportion of Hatchery and Natural Steelhead Trout in the East Fork SR and Sawtooth FH Runs

The natural component of B-run steelhead trout at the East Fork SR weir and A-run steelhead trout at the Sawtooth FH weir have increased and decreased, respectively, over the past 3 years. (We did not look at earlier data.) Natural B-run fish comprised 5.5\%, $17.6 \%$, and $28.8 \%$ of the East Fork SR rack in 1990, 1991, and 1992, respectively. Natural A-run fish comprised $7.6 \%, 4.6 \%$, and $2.6 \%$ of the Sawtooth FH rack in 1990, 1991 and 1992, respectively.

Possible causes of these "trends" include numbers of fish released, smolt-to-adult return rates, and random variation. We will continue to monitor these data and conduct the appropriate analyses as directed by management.

## RECOMMENDATIONS

1. Define the relationship between key factors, particularly fish health and flows, and survival of hatchery fish. Developing a smolt quality indicator that accurately describes fish health, "quality", and physiological condition is vital to evaluating hatchery practices.
2. Develop comprehensive spawning guidelines, including contingencies for atypical returns to make the best use of genetic resources.
3. Continue monitoring and evaluation of fall release strategies for chinook salmon presmolts with particular emphasis on volitional releases.
4. Develop the framework to investigate trends in steelhead trout sex ratios and age structure to determine possible causes of sex ratio disparities.

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## APPENDIX A

Releases of chinook salmon and steelhead trout from LSRCP facilities, October 1, 1990 through September 30, 1992.

Appendix A. Table 1. Release data for McCall Fish Hatchery summer chinook salmon for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (Production fish include fish which shed CWTs.)

|  | Release site | Number <br> Mark | Number <br> per |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| mateased | pound | Purpose/Funding |  |

McCall Fish Hatchery

| BY '90 | Salmon R. | Q Knox Brid | 23.8 | Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| None | 3/24-27/92 | 17,260 |  |  |
| 10/34/46 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,427 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/47 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,353 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/48 | 3/24-27/92 | 20,807 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| w/RA-7U-1 |  | $(21,724)$ |  | Freeze Brands for Fish Passage Center |
| 10/34/49 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,229 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| PIT |  | (250) |  | Migration Survival and Timing : Test |
| 10/34/50 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,397 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| w/ LD-7U-1 |  | $(21,397)$ |  | Freeze Brands for Fish Passage Center |
| 10/34/51 | 3/24-27/92 | 20,520 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| w/ RA-7U-3 |  | $(20,520)$ |  | Freeze Brands for Fish Passage Center |
| 10/34/52 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,253 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/53 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,558 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/54 | 3/24-27/92 | 22,003 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/55 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,997 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/56 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,973 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/57 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,430 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/58 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,302 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/59 | 3/24-27/92 | 21,694 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| 10/34/60 | 3/24-27/92 | 22,150 | 23.8 | Eval. \& Contrib., Mark-Handling Exp: Test/USCAN |
| TM-100 | 3/24-27/92 | 450,750 | 23.8 | Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Control-Pond 1/LSRCP |
| PIT |  | (250) |  | Migration Survival and Timing : Control/LSRCP |
| RV | 3/24/92 | 111,397 | 23.8 | Stock Recognition-Pond 2/LSRCP |
| Total |  | 901,500 |  |  |
| CWT Totals |  | 322,093 |  | marked October 1991 |
| OTC |  | 450,750 |  | marked July 1991 |

Appendix A. Table 2. Release data for Dworshak NFH spring chinook salmon for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (Production fish include fish which shed CWTs.)


Appendix A Table 2 continued.


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Appendix A. Table 3. Release data for Red River, Crooked River, and Powell facilities (Clearwater Fish Hatchery) spring chinook salmon for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (Production fish include fish which shed CWTs.)

|  | Release site | Number | Number <br> per |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | Date | released | pound |$\quad$|  |
| :---: |

Clearwater Anadromous Fish Hatchery

## Red River Facility

| BY'90 | Red River |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| LV Clip | 10/23/91 | 354,713 | 31.3 | Origin Recogition/LSRCP |  |
| PIT |  | (700) |  | Migration Survival and Timing |  |
| RV Clip | 4/7/92 | 149,605 | 18.6 | Origin Recog./Acc. Spr. Rel. | (3/16/92) - DNFH Stock |
| 5/26/32 | 4/7/92 | 57,795 | 18.6 | Evaluation/Acc. Spr. Rel. | (3/16/92) - DNFH Stock |
| Total |  | 354,713 |  |  |  |
| Total (S |  | 207,400 |  |  |  |

Crooked River Facility
BY '90 $\qquad$ Crooked River

| LV Clip | $10 / 16 / 91$ | 198,203 | 38.5 |  | Origin Recognition | (from KNFH) - |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | North Pond/LSRCP

Appendix A. Table 3. continued

| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Powell Facility |  |  |  |  |
| BY '90 Powell Ponds/White Sands Cr. |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/29/42 | 10/24/91 | 9,927 | 30.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP (from DNFH) |
| 10/40/02 | 10/24/91 | 53,008 | 30.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP (from DNFH) |
| LV Clip | 10/24/91 | 293,491 | 30.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP (from DNFH) |
| PIT |  | (700) |  | Migration Survival and Timing |
| RV Clip | 4/8/92 | 89,924 | 19.9 | Origin Recog./Acc. Spr. Rel (3/16/92)-DNFH Stock |
| 5/26/33 | 4/8/92 | 60,930 | 19.9 | Acclimated Spring Release (3/16/92)-DNFH Stock |
| RV Clip | 4/8/92 | 2,949 | 18.7 | Direct Spring Release (White Sands Cr.) |
| 5/26/35 | 4/8/92 | 60,580 | 18.7 | Evaluation/Direct Spr. Rel. (White Sands Cr.) |
| Total (Fall) |  | 358,372 |  |  |
| Total (Spring) |  | 214,383 |  |  |

Appendix A. Table 4. Release data for Sawtooth Fish Hatchery and East Fork satellite spring chinook salmon for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (September 1991 releases are included to maintain the continuity of Brood Year 1990.)
SUMMARY
Hatchery: Sawtooth Brood year: 1990 Total hatchery release 1,644,279

| Release site | Total released | Identifying marks | Number of fish | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Sawtooth Fish Hatchery | 1,263,864 | CWT/AD clip | 397,517 | 31.5 |
| (weir site) | 1,263,864 | CWT/AD clip/PIT | 12,196 | 0.6 |
|  |  | AD clip ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $12,698$ | $\begin{aligned} & 0.0 \\ & 1.0 \end{aligned}$ |
|  |  | unmarked | $190,108$ | $15.0$ |
|  |  | LV clip | 593,688 | 47.0 |
|  |  | LV clip/PIT <br> LV clip/FB | $\begin{array}{r} 1,486 \\ 61,171 \end{array}$ | 0.1 4.8 |
| East Fork | 76,614 | CWT/AD clip AD clip ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 73,044 \\ 3,570 \end{array}$ | $\begin{array}{r} 95.3 \\ 4.7 \end{array}$ |
| Yankee Fork | 303,801 | RV clip unmarked | $\begin{aligned} & 303,801 \\ & 50,480^{6} \end{aligned}$ |  |

Un a AD clip includes fish which were AD clipped only and/or CWT/AD clip fish which lost tags. ${ }^{\text {b }}$ Direct release; not included in total hatchery release.

Appendix A. Table 4. Sawtooth (continued)

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Appendix A. Table 4. Sawtooth details (continued)


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Appendix A. Table 4. Sawtooth details (continued)

| Raceway number | Stock <br> ID | Identifying marks |  | Total number released/rcwys | Release date | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Release } \\ & \text { location } \end{aligned}$ | Marking Purpose |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Type Code | Number* |  |  |  |  |
| 7B | SAW | $\begin{aligned} & \text { LV clip } \\ & \text { LV/FB LAT-2 } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 38,046 \\ & 20,532 \end{aligned}$ | 58,578 | 03/09/92 | Sal. R. I Saw. | High BKD segregation |
| 8B | SAW | LV clip | 49,438 | 49,438 | 03/09/92 | Sal. R. @ Saw. | High BKD segregation |
| 9 B | SAW | LV clip <br> LV/FB LAT-1 | $\begin{aligned} & 38,853 \\ & 20,195 \end{aligned}$ | 59,048 | 03/09/92 | Sal. R. I Saw. | High BKD segregation |
| 10B-14B | Rapid River | RV | 303,801 | 303,801 | 09/26-27/91 | Yankee Fork <br> (5 Mi.\& $10 \mathrm{Mi} . \mathrm{Cr}$.) | Fall Release |
| Direct Rele | ase | unmarked | 50,480 | 354,300 | 06/18/91 | Yankee Fork (dredge ponds) | Fingerling release |

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Appendix A. Table 5. Release data for Hagerman National Fish Hatchery summer steelhead for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (Production fish include fish which shed CWTs.)


Appendix A. Table 6. Release data for Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery summer steelhead for the reporting period October 1, 1991 to September 30, 1992. (Production fish include fish which shed CWTs.)


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Appendix A. Table 7. continued

|  | Release site | Number | Number per |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | Date | released | pound | Purpose/Funding |

Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery - B's

| BY '91 | East Fork Salmon River |  | 4.5 |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- |
| None | $4 / 6-14 / 92$ | 912,918 | 4.3 |
| None | $4 / 6-14 / 92$ | 63,979 | 4.4 |
| $10 / 44 / 18$ | $4 / 6-14 / 92$ | 21,771 | 4.5 |
| PIT |  | $(100)$ |  |
| $10 / 44 / 19$ | $4 / 6-14 / 92$ | 21,568 | $(100)$ |
| PIT | $4 / 6-14 / 92$ | 20,821 | 4.3 |
| 10/44/20 |  | $(100)$ |  |
| PIT |  | $1,041,057$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |

Production (Dworshak B's
Production (East Fork Salmon R. B's)
Evaluation \& Contribution
Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP
(Dworshak B's)
Evaluation \& Contribution
Migration Survival and Timing
Evaluation \& Contribution
Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP
(East Fork Salmon R. B's)

## APPENDIX B

Adult returns of marked and unmarked groups of LSRCP-produced chinook salmon and steelhead trout, October 1, 1990 through September 30, 1992.

Appendix B. Table 1. Marked and unmarked groups of McCall summer chinook returning in 1992.


Appendix B. Table 1. continued

| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | Rack | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Returns } \\ & \hline \text { Oc 2-Oc } 3-O c \end{aligned}$ | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY 88 | South Fork Salmon River |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/16-22/90 | 195,975 | 21.0 | Production |  |  |  |  |
| 10/30/34 | 3/16-22/90 | 251,100 | 21.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution, | 161 | 459 | 620 | 0.25 |
| 10/30/38 | 3/21/90 | 62,225 | 21.0 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribytion | 42 | 95 | 137 | 0.22 |
| w/ LDT-4 | 3/21/90 | $(21,100)$ | 21.0 | Mark-handling: Test/USCAN |  |  |  |  |
| w/ LDT-3 | 3/21/90 | $(20,875)$ | 21.0 | Migration Timing/EPC |  |  |  |  |
| w/ LDT-1 | 3/21/90 | (20,200) | 21.0 | Migration Timing/FPC |  |  |  |  |
| TM-100 | 3/16/90 | 523,250 | 20.5 | Marking-Handling Exp.: Control |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 1,032,550 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CWT Total |  | 313,325 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY 88 | East Fork So | Fork Salm | on River |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/30/89 | 201,100 | 365.0 | Fry Release |  |  |  |  |
| BY 88 | Johnson C |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/08/89 | 95,483 | 409.8 | Fry Release |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/31/89 | 100,300 | 316.9 | Fry Release |  |  |  |  |
| None | 8/09/89 | 145,000 | 45.4 | Fingerling Release |  |  |  |  |
| None | 8/10/89 | 145,000 | 53.7 | Fingerling Release |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 485,783 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY 88 | Sand Creek |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/08/89 | 105,000 | 409.8 | Fry Release |  |  |  |  |

Appendix B. Table 1. continued

| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | Rack Returns 1-Oc 2-Oc 3-Oc | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '89 | South Fork Salmon River |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/18-21/91 | 34,319 | 23.9 | Production |  |  |  |
| 10/34/31 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,502 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, | 3 | 3 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/32 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,810 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 2 | 2 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/33 | 3/18-21/91 | 20,700 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 1 | 1 | 0.0048 |
| 10/34/34 | 3/18-21/91 | 20,807 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 2 | 2 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/35 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,463 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 0 | 0 | 0.0 |
| $\begin{aligned} & \text { w/ RD->O-1 } \\ & \text { 10/34/36 } \end{aligned}$ | 3/18-21/91 | $\begin{gathered} (20,122) \\ 22,608 \end{gathered}$ | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 2 | 2 | 0.01 |
| $\begin{gathered} \text { w/ RA->O-1 } \\ \text { w/ LA->O-1 } \\ 10 / 34 / 37 \end{gathered}$ |  | $\begin{array}{r} (22,261) \\ (347) \end{array}$ |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FPC } \\ & \text { FPC } \end{aligned}$ <br> Evaluation \& Contribution |  |  |  |
| 10/34/37 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,620 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 2 | 2 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/38 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,331 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 6 | 6 | 0.03 |
| 10/34/39 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,253 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, | 4 | 4 | 0.02 |
| 10/34/40 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,443 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 3 | 3 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/41 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,501 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 3 | 3 | 0.01 |
| 10/34/42 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,406 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, | 1 | 1 | 0.0047 |
| 10/34/43 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,527 | 23.9 | Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 2 | 2 | 0.01 |
| PIT |  | (200) |  | Migration Survival and |  |  |  |
| 10/34/44 | 3/18-21/91 | 21,442 | 23.9 | Timing: Test Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 3 | 3 | 0.01 |

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Appendix B. Table 1. continued

| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per | Purpose/Funding | Rack Returns $1-\mathrm{Oc} 2-\mathrm{Oc} 3-\mathrm{Oc}$ | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '89 | South Fork Salmon River (cont.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/34/45 | 3/18-21/91 | 19,387 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, Mark-Handling: Test/USCAN | 4 | 4 | 0.02 |
| w/ LA->0-1 |  | $(20,097)$ |  | FPC |  |  |  |
| LA->0-1 | 3/18-21/91 | 710 | 23.9 | (CWT/FB fish which shed tags) |  |  |  |
| TM-100 | 3/18-21/91 | 353,771 | 23.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution, |  |  |  |
| PIT |  | (200) |  | Mark-Handling: Control/USCAN Migration Survival and <br> Timing : Control |  |  |  |
| Total CWT Total |  | $\begin{aligned} & 708,600 \\ & 319,800 \end{aligned}$ |  |  |  |  |  |

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Appendix B. Table 2. Marked and unmarked groups of Dworshak National Fish Hatchery spring chinook salmon returning in 1992.

| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | $\frac{\text { Retu }}{1-\mathrm{Cc}}$ | $; Y e$ |  | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '87 | North Fork Clearwater River |  |  |  | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0.0016 |
| 5/40/10 | 9/28/88 | $\begin{array}{r} 63,776 \\ (19,318) \\ 63,961 \\ (18,802) \\ 64,363 \\ (18,737) \end{array}$ | 33.1 | Fall Release Evaluation Migration Timing |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/RDR-1 |  |  |  |  | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0.0016 |
| 5/40/11 | 9/28/88 |  | 33.1 | Migration Timing <br> Fall Release Evaluation <br> Migration Timing |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/RDR-2 |  |  |  |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0000 |
| 5/40/12 <br> w/RDR-3 | 9/28/88 |  | 33.1 | Migration Timing |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/30/89 | 988,524 | 18.3 | Production | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.0030 |
| 5/40/13 | 3/30/89 | 63,555 | 18.3 | Spring Release Eval. \& Contrib. |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/RA7H-1 | 3/30/89 | $(19,087)$ 66,380 | 18.3 | Migration Timing ${ }_{\text {Spring Release Eval. \& Contrib. }}$ |  | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.0030 |
| w/RD7H-1 | 3/30/89 | $\begin{array}{r} 66,380 \\ (19,545) \end{array}$ | 18.3 | Spring Releas <br> Migration Timing | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 0.0030 |
| 5/40/15 | 3/30/89 | 66,947 | 18.3 | Spring Release Eval. \& Contrib. | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.0015 |
| w/RD7H-3 <br> \& RD LT-1 | 1989 | $\begin{array}{r} \{20,084\} \\ 30,503 \end{array}$ | 18.3 | Migration Timing <br> NMFS Photoperiod Test: |  |  |  |  |  |
| RD LX-1 | 1989 | 34,795 | 18.3 | NAFFingrielease Spring Release |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 1,442,804 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| CWT Total |  | 388,982 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '87 | Crooked River |  | 20.0 | Production |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/27-30/89 | 199,690 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '87 | Eldorado Creek |  | 24.7 | Production |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/28-29/89 | 209,950 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

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| BY '87 | White Sands Creek (Powell) |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | ---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| None | $3 / 27-29 / 89$ | 200,639 | 19.8 | Production | ND | 0 |
| None | $3 / 27 / 89$ | 102,660 | 23.6 | Production | and Contribution | ND |
| $5 / 19 / 42$ | $3 / 29 / 89$ | 21,609 | 20.0 | ND | 0 |  |
| $5 / 19 / 43$ | $3 / 29 / 89$ | 21,148 | 20.0 | Evaluation | Evaluation | and Contribution |
| $5 / 19 / 44$ | $3 / 29 / 89$ | 19,953 | 20.0 | Evaluation | and Contribution | ND |


| BY '88 | North Fork Clearwater River |  |  | Age 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5/40/16 | 3/30/89 | 61,613 | 76.9 |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/RDH-1 |  | $(19,992)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/40/17 | 3/30/89 | 66,107 | 76.9 | Age 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| w/RAH-1 5/40/18-1 |  | $(20,716)$ 67946 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5/40/18 w/RDH-2 | 3/30/89 | $\begin{array}{r} 67,946 \\ (21,051) \end{array}$ | 76.9 | Age 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |
| None | 4/4-5/90 | 780,679 | ND | Production |  |  |  |  |
| 5/21/62 | 4/5/90 | 67,624 | 18.4 | Contribution Medicated Feed | 7 | 18 | 25 | 0.037 |
| 5/21/63 | 4/5/90 | 67,262 | 17.7 | Contribution Medicated Feed | 4 | 8 | 12 | 0.018 |
| 5/22/05 | 4/5/90 | 65,686 | 18.8 | Contribution No Erythromycin | 3 | 82 | 11 | 0.017 |
| 5/22/60 | 4/4/90 | 25,369 | 17.2 | USFWSBKD Study (Low) | 3 | 31 | 6 | 0.024 |
| 5/22/61 | 4/4/90 | 25,483 | 18.6 | USFWSBKD Study (Low) | 7 | 41 | 11 | 0.043 |
| 5/22/62 | 4/4/90 | 25,685 | 15.6 | USFWSBKD Study (Low) | 7 | 131 | 20 | 0.078 |
| 5/22/63 | 4/4/90 | 22,645 | 16.8 | USFW BKD Study (High) | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0.009 |
| 5/23/05 | 4/4/90 | 24,801 | 15.7 | USFWSBKD Study (High) | 2 | 0 | 2 | 0.008 |
| 5/23/06 | 4/4/90 | 24,582 | 18.2 | USFWSBKD Study (High) | 3 | 5 | 8 | 0.033 |
| 23/29/30 | 4/5/90 | 64,522 | 18.4 | NMFSPhotoperiod, Erythro Feed | 6 | 11 | 17 | 0.026 |
| 23/29/31 | 4/5/90 | 57,089 | 18.0 | in Some fish | 6 | $12_{1}$ | 18 | 0.032 |

Appendix B. Table 2. continued


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Appendix B. Table 2. continued

| Mark | Release site | Number | Number per |  Returns Year <br> Purpose/Funding 1-Oc 2-Oc 3-Oc | Total | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '89 | North Fork Clearwater River (cont.) |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/30/25 | 4/4/91 | 52,664 | 23.5 | Dens. Exp.-High/USCAN (RCWY 28) |  |  |
| 5/25/08 | 4/4/91 | 38,836 | 21.7 | USFWSBKD Study-Low (RCWY 16) |  |  |
| 5/25/09 | 4/4/91 | 37,471 | 22.6 | USFWSBKD Study-Low (RCWY 17) |  |  |
| 5/25/10 | 4/4/91 | 38,244 | 22.5 | USFWSBKD Study-Low (RCWY 18) |  |  |
| 5/25/12 | 4/4/91 | 23,832 | 18.6 | USFWSBKD Study-High (RCWY 19) |  |  |
| 5/25/13 | 4/4/91 | 23,193 | 17.5 | USFWSBKD Study-High (RCWY 20) |  |  |
| 5/25/14 | 4/4/91 | 28,455 | 18.5 | USFWSBKD Study-High (RCWY 21) |  |  |
| Total |  | 1,094,884 |  |  |  |  |
| CWT Total |  | 679,063 |  |  |  |  |
| PIT |  | 4,500 |  | USFWS BKD Study-High (RCWY ) |  |  |
| PIT |  | 2,250 |  | USFWS BKD Study-Low (RCWY ) |  |  |
| PIT |  | 1,500 |  | Density Exp.-Low/USCAN (RCWY ) |  |  |
| PIT |  | 1,500 |  | Density Exp.-Med./USCAN (RCWY) |  |  |
| PIT |  | 1,500 |  | Density Exp.-High/USCAN (RCWY ) |  |  |
| BY '89 | Red River |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/25/91 | 63,004 | 21.6 | Production |  |  |
| BY '89 | Eldorado Creek |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/25-26/91 | 199,456 | 21.4 | Production |  |  |
| BY '89 | Papoose Creek |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/25-26/91 | 70,000 | 21.8 | Production |  |  |

Appendix B. Table 3. All marked and unmarked groups of Red River, Crooked River, and Powell facility (Clearwater Fish Hatchery) spring chinook salmon returning in 1992.

| Release site |  | Number | Number per |  | Returns Year | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | date | released |  | Purpose/Funding | 1-Oc 2-Oc 3-Oc | returns | Percent |


| Red River facility |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '87 | Red River |  | 25.0 | Production | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.000 |
| None | 10/12/88 | 236,825 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/40/02 | 10/12/88 | 54,375 | NA | Fall Release EvaluationFPCFPCFPC |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/LDR-1 |  | $(18,696)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/LDR-2 |  | $(23,865)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| w/LDR-3 |  | $(13,429)$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 291,200 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '88 | Red River |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 10/89 | 240,510 | 35.0 | Production |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '89 | Red River |  | 24.5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/25-27/91 | 124,071 |  | Spring release from Kooskia |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/25/91 | 63,004 | 21.6 | Spring release from Dworshak |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 10/23/90 | 210,501 | 27.9 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/43/04 | 10/23/90 | 20,675 | 27.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/43/05 | 10/23/90 | 21,276 | 27.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10/43/06 | 10/23/90 | 20,548 | 27.9 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |  |  |  |  |  |
| PIT | 10/23/90 | 800 | 27.9 | Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total (Fall) |  | 273,800 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total (Spring) |  | 187,075 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

Appendix B. Table 3. continued

| Release site |  | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | $\frac{\text { Returns Year }}{1-\text { Oc 2-Oc 3-Oc }}$ | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | date |  |  |  |  | returns | Percent |
| Powell Facility |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '88 | Walton Creek |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 10/89 | 314,480 | 18 | Production |  |  |  |
| BY '89 | Powell |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/11-22/91 | 180,764 | 23.6 | Spring release from Kooskia |  |  |  |
| None $10 / 43 / 01$ | 10/23/90 | 244,558 | 27.4 | Production <br> Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |  |  |  |
| $10 / 43 / 02$ | $10 / 23 / 90$ | $21,547$ | 27.4 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP | 0 |  |  |
| 10/43/03 | 10/23/90 | 19,830 | 27.4 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |  |  |  |
| $\mathrm{PIT}$ | $10 / 23 / 90$ | $800$ | 27.4 | Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP |  |  |  |
|  |  | $307,705$ |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total (Spring) |  | 180,764 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Crooked River |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| BY '87 | Crooked River |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None None | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NA } \\ & \text { NA } \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 200,100 \\ & 199,690 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NA } \\ & \text { NA } \end{aligned}$ | Production (fry release) <br> Production (smolt release) |  |  |  |
| BY '88 | Crooked River |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | NA | 201,824 | NA | Production (fry release) |  |  |  |

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| Mark | Release site date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | $\frac{\text { Returns Year }}{1-\text { Oc 2-Cc 3-Cc }}$ | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '89 | Crooked River |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 10/17/90 | 274,141 | 27.0 | Production |  |  |  |
| 10/43/07 | 10/17/90 | 21,220 | 27.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP | 0 |  |  |
| 10/43/08 | 10/17/90 | 21,713 | 27.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP | 0 |  |  |
| 10/43/09 | 10/17/90 | 21,213 | 27.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP | 0 |  |  |
| PIT | 10/17/90 | 800 | NA | Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 339,087 |  |  |  |  |  |

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Appendix B. Table 4. All marked and unmarked groups of Sawtooth Fish Hatchery spring chinook salmon returning in 1991.



Appendix B. Table 4. continued

|  | Release site | Number | Number per |  | Returns | Total |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | Date | released | pound | Purpose/Funding | 1-0c 2-0c 3-Oc | returns | Percent |


| BY '88 | Sawtooth Fish Hatchery (cont.) |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $10 / 32 / 24$ | $3 / 17 / 90$ | 51,700 | 23.0 | Time of Marking-Oct./USCAN | 0 | 1 | 1 |
| $10 / 40 / 08$ | $3 / 17 / 90$ | 51,125 | 23.0 | Time of Marking-June/USCAN | 0 | 4 | 4 |


| 10/40/08 | $3 / 17 / 90$ | 51,125 | 23.0 | Time of Marking-June/USCAN | 0 | 4 | 4 |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| LA-T1 | $3 / 17 / 90$ | 19,675 | 23.0 | Migration Timing/FPC | 0.008 |  |  |
| A-T3 | $3 / 17 / 90$ | 18,675 | 23.0 | Migration Timing/FPC |  |  |  |


|  |  |  |  | Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| None | 3/20/90 | 200,800 | 21.0 |  |
| BY '88 | Upper Salmon River |  | 178.0 | Fry Release Fry Release |
| None | 5/26/90 | 126,000 |  |  |
| None | 8/16/90 | 2,000 | 25.0 |  |
| BY '88 | Yankee Fork Salmon River |  |  | Fry Release |
| None | 5/24/90 | 125,000 | 178.0 |  |
| BY '88 | Yankee Fork Ponds |  |  |  |
| None | 7/20/90 | 50,000 | 11 |  |

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| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | $\frac{\text { Returns }}{1-0 \mathrm{c} 2-0 \mathrm{c} 3-\mathrm{Oc}}$ | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '88 | Alturas Lake |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 6/27/90 | 51,000 | 74. | Fingerling Release |  |  |  |
| BY '88 | Pole Creek |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/25/90 | 71,500 | 178.0 | Fry Release |  |  |  |
| BY '88 | Smiley Cree |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 5/25/90 | 71,500 |  | Fry Release |  |  |  |
| BY '89 | Sawtooth Fis | atchery |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 142,961 | 25.6 | Production |  |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 119,193 | 24.5 | High BKD Progeny |  |  |  |
| PIT | 3/8-13/91 | 2,231 | $\begin{aligned} & 24.5 \\ & 24.5 \end{aligned}$ | USFWS BKD Study - High (RCWY 5) |  |  |  |
| PIT | 3/8-13/91 | 1,798 73,426 | 31.5 | USFWS BKD Study - Low (RCWY 3) |  |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 73,426 | 31.5 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN (RCWY 4) |  |  |  |
| $10 / 34 / 16$ $10 / 34 / 17$ | $3 / 8-13 / 91$ $3 / 8-13 / 91$ | 21,662 21,772 | 31.5 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN (RCWY 4) | 0 1 | 1 | 0.005 |
| 10/34/17 | 3/8-13/91 | 21,772 | 31.5 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN (RCWY 4) | 0 | 1 | 0.005 |
| 10/34/18 | 3/8-13/91 | 20,710 | 28.7 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN <br> (RCWY 4,11) | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/28 | 3/8-13/91 | 21,179 | 7 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/29 | 3/8-13/91 | 22,448 | 28.7 | Density Exp. - High/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/30 | 3/8-13/91 | 22,103 |  | Density Exp. - High/USCAN (RCWY 11) | 0 |  |  |

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| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | $\frac{\text { Returns }}{1-0 \mathrm{c} 2-0 \mathrm{c} 3-0 \mathrm{c}}$ | Total returns | Percent |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 28.7 |  |  |  |  |
| PIT | 3/8-13/91 | 1,600 |  | Density Exp. - High/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 17,419 | 24.8 | (RCWY 4,11) |  |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 17,419 | 24.8 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/25 | 3/8-13/91 | 22,100 | 24.8 | Density Exp. - Med/USCA | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/26 | 3/8-13/91 | 14,779 | 24.8 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Density Exp. } \\ & \text { (RCWY 10) } \end{aligned}$ | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/26 |  | 14,779 | 24.8 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/27 | 3/8-13/91 | 11,597 | 24.8 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/19 | 3/8-13/91 | 21,276 | 24.4 | (RCWY 10) | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/19 | 3/8-13/01 | 21,276 | 24.4 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/20 | 3/8-13/91 | 21,235 | 24.4 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/21 | 3/8-13/91 | 10,586 | 24.4 | (RCWY 6) | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 26.0 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN (RCWY 6) |  |  |  |
| 10/34/22 | 3/8-13/91 | 17,062 |  | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/23 | 3/8-13/91 | 22,018 | 26.0 | (RCWY 9) | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 26.0 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/34/24 | 3/8-13/91 | 19,928 | 26.0 | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN | 1 | 1 | 0.005 |
| PIT | 3/8-13/91 | 2,400 | 26.0 | (RCWY 9) | 0 |  |  |
| PIT | 3/8-13/91 | 2,400 |  | Density Exp. - Med/USCAN (RCWY 6.9.10) | 0 |  |  |
| None | 3/8-13/91 | 52,116 | 22.3 | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/41/30 | 3/8-13/91 | 14,908 | 22.3 | (RCWY 7) | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 22.3 | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN |  |  |  |
| 10/41/31 | 3/8-13/91 | 13,942 |  | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
| 10/42/11 | 3/8-13/91 | 14 | 25.5 | (RCWY 7) | 0 |  |  |
|  |  | 14,311 | 25.5 | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN (RCWY 12) | 0 |  |  |
| 10/42/12 | 3/8-13/91 | 14,993 |  | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN | 0 |  |  |
|  |  |  | 21.8 | (RCWY 12) |  |  |  |
| 10/42/17 | 3/8-13/91 | 11,908 |  | Density Exp. - Low/USCAN (RCWY 8) | 0 |  |  |

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Appendix B. Table 5. All marked and unmarked groups of East Fork Salmon River Facility (Sawtooth Fish Hatchery) spring chinook salmon returning in 1992.


Appendix B. Table 6. All marked and unmarked groups of Hagerman National Fish Hatchery summer steelhead trout returning in 1991-92.


Hagerman National Fish Hatchery - A's

| BY '88 | Sawtooth Weir |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |
| None | 1989 | 590,334 |  |
| $10 / 41 / 38$ | 1989 | 14,718 | 4.9 |
| $10 / 41 / 39$ | 1989 | 14,585 | 4.9 |
| $10 / 41 / 40$ | 1989 | 16,914 | 4.9 |
| Total |  | 636,551 |  |

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| 0 | 0 |
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| Evaluation \& | Contribution/LSRCP |
| Evaluation \& | Contribution/LSRCP |
| Evaluation \& | Contribution/LSRCP |

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| Mark | Release site Date | Number released | Number per pound | Purpose/Funding | Rack \% to Rtns. Rack | \% to Est. Harv. | Rack \& Harv. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| BY '89 | Salmon River ( | Fork Ram |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 4/20/90 | 199,602 | 4.3 | Production |  |  |  |
| BY '89 | Little Salmon R | (Hazard C | eek) |  |  |  |  |
| None | 4/30/90 | 80,465 | 4.2 | Production |  |  |  |
| BY'90 | Sawtooth Weir |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| None | 4/12-15/91 | 864,138 | 2.9 | Production |  |  |  |
| 10/43/33 | 4/12-15/91 | 21,050 | 2.9 | Size at release - Large (RCWY 71-75) |  |  |  |
| 10/43/34 | 4/12-15/91 | 20,129 | 2.9 | Size at release - Large <br> (RCWY 71-75) |  |  |  |
| 10/43/35 | 4/12-15/91 | 12,066 | 2.6 | Size at release - Large (RCWY 71-75) |  |  |  |
| PIT | 4/12-15/91 | 489 | 2.9 | Size at release - Large <br> (RCWY 71-75) |  |  |  |
| 10/43/36 | 4/12-15/91 | 21,775 | 4.5 | Size at release - Regular (RCWY 76-80) |  |  |  |
| 10/43/37 | 4/12-15/91 | 20,318 | 4.5 | Size at release - Regular (RCWY 76-80) |  |  |  |
| 10/43/38 | 4/12-15/91 | 19,338 | 4.4 | Size at release - Regular (RCWY 76-80) |  |  |  |
| PIT | 4/12-15/91 | 496 | 4.4 | Size at release - Regular (RCWY 76-80) |  |  |  |
| Total |  | 979,799 |  | (Sawtooth and Pahsimeroi stock) |  |  |  |
| BY '90 | Upper Salmon | r at Hell R | aring |  |  |  |  |
| None None | $\begin{aligned} & 10 / 5 / 90 \\ & 10 / 17 / 90 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 97,515 \\ & 87,573 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & 46.9 \\ & 33.6 \end{aligned}$ | Excess Fingerling Plant Excess Fingerling Plant |  |  |  |

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|  |  |  | Number |  | \% to |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | Release site Date | Number released |  | Rack Purpose/Funding | \% to Rtns. Rack | Est. Harv. | Rack <br> \& Harv. |


| BY '88 | Eldorado Creek |  |  |  |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| None | $5 / 1-3 / 89$ | 109,480 | 4.9 | Production |

BY '88 Clear Creek

| None | 1989 | 3,997 | 5.0 | Production |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
| $10 / 41 / 35$ | 1989 | 15,994 | 5.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| $10 / 41 / 36$ | 1989 | 15,482 | 5.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| $10 / 41 / 37$ | 1989 | 14,374 | 5.0 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| Totals |  | 49,147 |  |  |



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Appendix B. Table 7. All marked and unmarked groups of Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery summer steelhead trout returning in 1991-92.

| Release site | Number |  |  |  | \% to |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Number | per | Rack |  | \% to | Est. | Rack |
| Mark | Date | released | pound | Purpose/Funding | Rtns. | Rack | Harv. | @ Harv. |

Magic Valley Steelhead Hatchery - A's

| BY '88 | Sawtooth Weir |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
|  |  |  |  |  |
| None | $4 / 10-19 / 89$ | 854,768 | 4.44 |  |
| PIT | $4 / 10-19 / 89$ | 2,832 | 4.44 | Production |
|  |  |  |  |  |


| BY '88 | Slate Creek |  | 4.14 | Production |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| None | 4/24-27/89 | 300,600 |  |  |
| BY '88 | Yankee Fork Salmon River |  |  | Production |
| None | 4/17-21/89 | 104,400 | 4.33 |  |
| BY '88 | Hazard Creek |  |  |  |
| None | 4/19-26/89 | 402,032 | 4.23 | Production |
| 10/41/41 | 4/19-26/89 | 15,033 | 4.23 | Evaluation and Contribution/LSRCP |
| 10/41/42 | 4/19-26/89 | 15,010 | 4.23 | Evaluation and Contribution/LSRCP |
| 10/41/43 | 4/19-26/89 | 15,770 | 4.23 | Evaluation and Contribution/LSRCP |
| PIT | 4/19-26/89 | 3,059 | 4.23 | Water Budget Migration |
| Total |  | 450,904 |  |  |
| BY '88 | Hammer Creek |  |  |  |
| None | 4/28-29/89 | 136,000 | 4.04 | Production |

Appendix B. Table 7. continued

|  | Release site | Number | Number per |  | Rack | \% to | $\begin{aligned} & \text { \% to } \\ & \text { Est. } \end{aligned}$ | Rack |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mark | Date | released | pound | Purpose/Funding | Rtns. | Rack | Harv. | Harv. |

Magic Valley - A's

| BY '89 | Sawtooth Weir |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | ---: | :--- | :--- |
| None | $4 / 13 / 90$ | $1,159,080$ |  |  |
| 10/42/59 | $4 / 13 / 90$ | 39,620 | 4.2 | Production <br> w/LA |
|  |  | $(39,620)$ |  | Migration and Contribution/LSRCP |
|  |  |  |  |  |


| BY '90 | Sawtooth Weir |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| None | 4/9-19/91 | 364,700 |  | Pro |


| BY '90 | Pahsimeroi River at Hatchery |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| None | 4/18-19/91 | 135,100 | 3.8 | Production (Pahsimeroi A's) |
| BY '90 | Salmon River Shoup Br. |  |  |  |
| None | 4/9-19-91 | 97,800 | 3.9 | Production (Pahsimeroi A's) |
| BY '90 | Hammer Creek |  |  |  |
| None | 4/22-25/91 | 186,300 |  | Production (Pahsimeroi A's) |
| BY '90 | Little Salmon River at Hazard Creek |  |  |  |
| None | 4/22-27/91 | 242,703 | 3.6 | Production (Pahsimeroi A's) |
| 10/43/17 | 4/22-27/91 | 21,809 | 3.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| 10/43/18 | 4/22-27/91 | 22,704 | 3.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| 10/43/19 | 4/22-27/91 | 21,484 | 3.6 | Evaluation \& Contribution/LSRCP |
| PIT | 4/22-27/91 | 1,600 | 3.6 | Migration Survival and Timing/LSRCP |
| Total |  | 310,300 |  |  |

Appendix B. Table 7. continued


## APPENDIX C

Summary of 1992 CWT returns to McCall and Sawtooth fish hatcheries.

Appendix C. Table 1. 1992 McCall Fish Hatchery CWT returns. (Rack returns unless otherwise noted.)

| BY 87 5-yr olds |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- |
|  | $<660$ |  | $670-940$ | $>950$ |  |  |
|  | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| Tag code | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| $103141-103143$ | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 103144 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

BY 88 4-yr olds

| Tag code | <660 |  | 670-940 |  | >950 |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | M | F | M | F | M | F |  |
| 74739 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | Lookingglass (Oregon) release |
| 103034 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 2 | 0 | 0 | NPT below weir; plus 1 male length NA and 4 fish sex NA |
| 103034 | 15 | 2 | 260 | 170 | 0 | 1 |  |
| 103038 | 1 | 0 | 48 | 41 | 0 | 0 |  |
| 103038 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | NPT below weir; plus 1 female length NA and 1 fish sex NA |
| 232433 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NMFS trans. study; Col. R. mile 141 |
| 232434 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 10 | 0 | 0 | NMFS trans. study; Col. R. mile 141 |
| 232435 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | NMFS trans. study; Col. R. mile 141 |

Appendix C. Table 1. continued
BY 89 3-yr olds

|  | <660 |  | 670-940 |  | >950 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | M | F | M | F | M | F |
| 103417 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103431 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103432 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103433 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103434 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103435 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103436 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103437 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103438 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103439 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103440 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103441 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103442 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103443 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103444 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 103445 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

Appendix C. Table 2. 1992 Sawtooth Fish Hatchery CWT returns. (Rack returns unless otherwise noted.)
BY 87 5-yr olds

|  | $<650$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $650-820$ |  |  | $>820$ |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Tag code | $M$ | $F$ | $M$ | $F$ | $M$ | $F$ |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 102935 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 103138 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 103139 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 103140 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 104048 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 104051 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 232251 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | NMFS trans. study; Col. R. mile 141 |  |  |  |  |  |  |

BY 88 4-yr olds

| io | Tag code | <650 |  | 650-820 |  | >820 |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | M | F | M | F | M | F |
|  | 103212 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 103220 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 103221 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 103222 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 103223 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 103224 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 104008 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 232434 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |

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## APPENDIX D

Age breakdown of 1992 chinook salmon returns to McCall and Sawtooth fish hatcheries.

Appendix D. Table 1. Age breakdown of 1992 summer chinook salmon returns to McCall Fish Hatchery ( SFSR) using two estimation techniques. The percentage of fish in each age group is given in parentheses.

|  | BY/Age |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 89/3 | 88/4 | 87/5 |
| Method $\mathrm{A}^{\text {a }}$ |  |  |  |
| Males and females | 206( 7.2) | 2629(91.4) | 42(1.4) |
| Males | 205(11.9) | 1486(86.1) | 35(2.0) |
| Females | 1( 0.1) | 1143(99.3) | 7(0.6) |
|  |  | 2684(93.3) | 9(0.3) |
| Method $\mathrm{C}^{\text {b }}$ |  |  |  |
| Males and females | 184( 6.4) |  |  |
| Males | 178(10.3) | 1548(89.7) | O(0.0) |
| Females | $0(0.0)$ | 1141(99.1) | 10(0.9) |
| a Based on length only, as in hatchery run report |  |  |  |
| ${ }^{\text {b }}$ Based on 1992 known length-at-age data (CWT) |  |  |  |
| Note: Under each age category in method C, the estimated number of males and females may not add to the combined number of males and females due to rounding errors. |  |  |  |

Appendix D. Table 2. Age breakdown of 1992 spring chinook salmon returns to Sawtooth Fish Hatchery ( USR) using two estimation techniques. The percentage of fish in each age group is given in parentheses.

| BY/Age |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Method A ${ }^{\text {a }}$ | $89 / 3$ | $88 / 4$ | $87 / 5$ |
| Males and females | $29(7.5)$ | $232(60.0)$ | $126\{32.5)$ |
| Males | $26(11.7)$ | $153(68.9)$ | $43(19.4)$ |
| Females | $3(1.8)$ | $79(47.9)$ | $83(50.3)$ |
|  | $35(9.1)$ | $281(72.7)$ | $71(18.2)$ |
| Method C |  |  |  |
| Males and females |  |  | $37(16.7)$ |
| Males | $18(8.3)$ | $167(75.0)$ | $37(22.2)$ |
| Females | $0(0.0)$ | $128(77.8)$ |  |

aBased on length only, as in hatchery run report
based on 1992 known length-at-age data (CWT)
Note: Under each age category in method C, the estimated number of males and females may not add to the combined number of males and females due to rounding errors.

## APPENDIX E

Summary of 1992 PIT-tag data for chinook salmon and steelhead trout of LSRCP and natural/wild origin.

Appendix E. Table 1. Summary of migration year 1992 PIT tag interrogations for chinook salmon and steelhead trout from Idaho hatcheries.


Dworshak National Fish Hatchery - Spring Chinook
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Appendix E. Table 1. 1992 PIT tag interrogations (cont.)


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## Appendix E. Table 1. 1992 PIT tag interrogations (cont.)

| File Name | Rel. Site | Rel. Date | No. <br> Tag. | No. Rel. | No/\% Detected |  |  |  |  |  | TOTAL |  | Ave. | Commen |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | LGR |  | LGO |  | MCN |  |  |  | Trav Time |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | No. | \% | No. | \% | No. | \% | No. | \% | days | t |
| Niagara Springs Fish Hatchery - Steelhead 47000005 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Pahsimeroi Release: |  |  |  |  |  | 47.0 |  | 5.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 52 | 52.0 | 37.7 | Pahsim |
| RCD92063.01N | PARS PARS | $3 / 30$ $3 / 30$ | 100 | 100 | 47 |  | 5 |  | 0 |  | 52 |  |  | Pahsim |
| RCD92063.03N | PAHS | $3 / 30$ $3 / 30$ | 100 | 100 | 48 | 48.0 | 7 | 2.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 50 52 | 50.0 520 | 36.3 39.0 | Pahsim |
| RCD92063.04N | PARS | 3/30 | 100 | 100 | 30 | 30.0 | 7 | 7.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 37 | 37.0 | 40.1 | Pahsim |
| RCD92063.05N | PARS | 3/30 | 100 | 100 | 53 | 53.0 | 8 | 8.0 | 1 | 1.0 | 62 | 62.0 | 38.5 | Pahsim |
| RCD92063.06N | PARS | 3/30 | 100 | 100 | 42 | 42.0 | 8 | 8.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 50 | 50.0 | 43.6 | Pahsim |
| TOTAL - Pahsim. |  |  | 600 | 600 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 303 | 50.5 |  |  |
| Hell's Canyon Dam Release: |  |  |  |  |  | 40.4 |  | 3.0 |  | 2.0 |  | 45.5 | 28.0 |  |
| RCD92063.12N | HCD | 4/18 | 100 | 99 | 40 |  | 3 |  | 2 |  | 45 |  |  | HCDam |
| RCD92063.13N | HCD | 4/18 | 100 | 100 | 37 | 37.0 | 6 | 6.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 43 | 43.0 | 32.5 | HCDam |
| RCD92063.14N | HCD | 4/18 | 100 | 100 | 49 | 49.0 | 7 | 7.0 | 1 | 1.0 | 57 | 57.0 | 35.1 | HCDam |
| TOTAL - HCDam |  |  | 300 | 299 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 145 | 48.5 |  |  |

Appendix E. Table 2. Summary of migration year 1992 PIT tag interrogations for Idaho naturally-produced chinook salmon


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| File Name | Rel. Site | Rel. Date | No. Tag. | No. Rel. | No/\% Detected |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Ave. <br> Trav <br> Time <br> days | Comment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  |  |  | LGR |  | LGO |  | MCN |  | TOTAL |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  | No. | \% | No. | \% | No. | \% | No. | \% |  |  |
| Bear Valley C SA90214.BV1 | Creek Relea |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SA90214.BV2 | BEARV | 8/02 | 28 | 28 | 4 | 14.3 17.4 | 3 | 13.0 | 0 | 0.0 0.0 | 7 | 25.0 30.4 |  |  |
| SA90215.BV1 | BEARV | 8/03 | 87 | 87 | 8 | 9.2 | 7 | 8.1 | 0 | 0.0 | 15 | 17.2 |  |  |
| SA90215.BV2 | BEARV | 8/03 | 35 | 35 | 3 | 8.6 | 3 | 8.7 | 1 | 2.9 | 7 | 20.0 |  |  |
| SA90216.BV1 | BEARV | 8/04 | 44 | 44 | 4 | 9.1 | 3 | 6.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 7 | 15.9 |  |  |
| SA90216.BV2 | BEARV | 8/05 | 93 | 93 | 19 | 20.4 | 5 | 5.4 | 1 | 1.1 | 25 | 26.9 |  |  |
| SA90217.BV1 | BEARV | 8/05 | 43 | 43 | 2 | 4.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 2 | 4.7 |  |  |
| total - Bear Valley | Creek |  | 353 | 353 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 70 | 19.8 |  |  |
| Elk Creek Release: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SA90217.EC1 | ELKC | 8/05 | 103 | 103 | 18 | 17.5 | 7 | 6.8 | 2 | 1.9 | 27 | 26.2 |  |  |
| SA90218.EC1 | ELKC | 8/06 | 25 | 25 | 1 | 4.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 1 | 4.0 |  |  |
| SA90218.EC3 | ELKC | 8/06 | 57 | 57 | 3 | 5.3 | 4 | 7.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 7 | 12.3 |  |  |
| SA90219.EC1 | ELKC | 8/07 | 63 | 63 | 10 | 15.9 | 3 | 4.8 | 0 | 0.0 | 13 | 20.6 |  |  |
| total - Elk Creek |  |  | 248 | 248 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 48 | 19.4 |  |  |
| Cape Horn Creek Release: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SA90223.CH1 | CAPEH | 8/12 | 143 | 143 | 22 | 15.4 | 7 | 4.9 | 1 | 0.7 | 30 | 21.0 |  |  |
| SA90224.CH1 | CAPEH | 8/12 | 21 | 21 | 3 | 14.3 | 2 | 9.5 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 23.8 |  |  |
| total - Cape Horn C | reek |  | 164 | 164 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 35 | 21.3 |  |  |
| Marsh Creek Release: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| SA90223.MC1 | MARSC | 8/11 | 51 | 51 | 3 | 5.9 | 1 | 2.0 | 1 | 2.0 | 5 | 9.8 |  |  |
| SA90223.MC2 | MARSC | 8/II | 52 | 52 | 5 | 9.6 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0.0 | 5 | 9.6 |  |  |
| SA90223.MC3 | MARSC | 8/II | 84 | 84 | 3 | 3.6 | 8 | 9.5 | 1 | 1.2 | 12 | 14.3 |  |  |
| SA90224.MC1 | MARSC | 8/12 | 26 | 26 | 4 | 15.4 | 2 | 7.7 | 0 | 0.0 | 6 | 23.1 |  |  |
| SA90224.MC2 | MARSC | 8/12 | 440 | 440 | 35 | 8.0 | 9 | 2.1 | 5 | 1.1 | 49 | 11.1 |  |  |
| SA90225.MC2 | MARSC | 8/13 | 208 | 208 | 9 | 4.3 | 9 | 4.3 | 0 | 0.0 | 18 | 8.7 |  |  |
| total - Marsh Creek |  |  | 861 | 861 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 95 | 11.0 |  |  |

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| File Name | No. Tag. | No. Rel. | No/\% Detected |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Ave. <br> Trav <br> Time days | Comment |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | $\text { No. }{ }^{\text {LC }}$ | $\mathrm{R}_{\%}$ | No. | \% | No. | CN | TOTAL No. | \% |  |  |
| Bear Valley Cr. Rel: | 1042 | 1042 | 69 | $\begin{array}{r} 66.0 \\ 7.8 \end{array}$ | 25 | 2.4 4.1 | 8 | $\begin{aligned} & 0.8 \\ & 1.9 \end{aligned}$ | 102 | 9.8 13.9 |  |  |
| Elk Creek Release: | 462 | 462 | 36 |  | 19 |  | 9 |  | 64 |  |  |  |
| Cape Horn Creek Release: | 209 | 209 | 19 | 9.1 | 3 | 1.4 | 5 | 2.4 | 27 | 12.9 |  |  |
| Marsh Creek Release: | 981 | 981 | 67 | 6.8 | 19 | 1.9 | 11 | 1.1 | 97 | 9.9 |  |  |
| Big Creek Release: | 998 | 998 | 57 | 5.7 | 20 | 2.0 | 11 | 1.1 | 88 | 8.8 |  |  |
| Sulphur Creek Release: | 210 | 210 | 24 | 11.4 | 9 | 4.3 | 2 | 1.0 | 35 | 16.7 |  |  |
| Chamberlain Creek Release: | 338 | 338 | 13 | 3.8 | 7 | 2.1 | 6 | 1.8 | 26 | 7.7 |  |  |

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