

Yakima Basin Science & Management Conference 2013

Purpose:

To provide a comprehensive overview and exchange of ideas about the most current biological science and resource management activities in the Yakima Basin



Wednesday, June 12, 2013
8:00AM to 5:00PM

Thursday, June 13, 2013
8:30 AM to 5:00PM

Central Washington University

400 E University Way
Ellensburg, WA 98926

Science Building
Room 147

***This conference is free of charge
and pre-registration is not necessary***



- Information
- Communication
- Coordination



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www.ykfp.org

Yakima Klickitat Fisheries Project

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Salmon Extinction in the Yakima Basin

- “Not an Option!” or
- The Preferred Alternative?

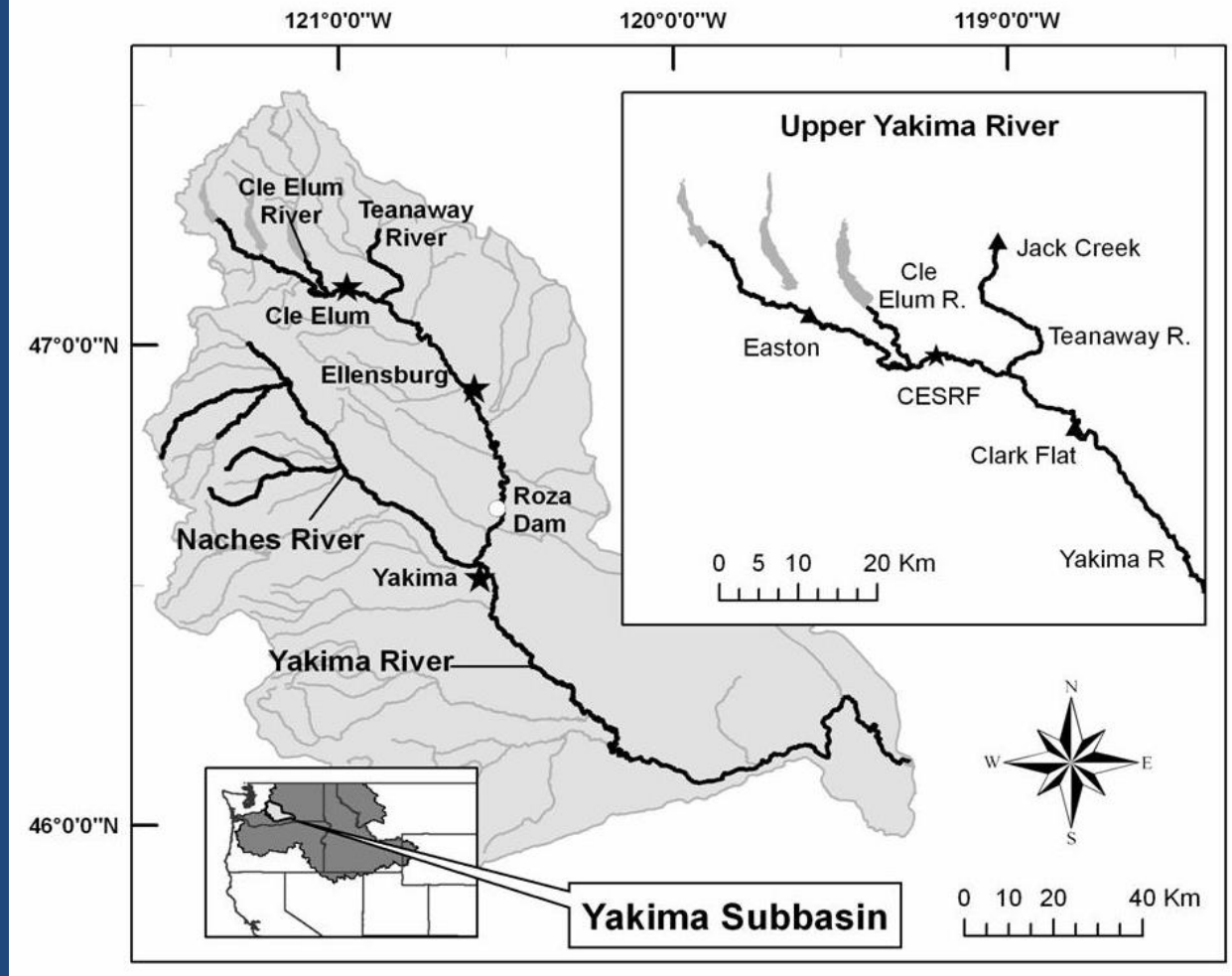
Historic Salmon Runs

Modified from Alex Conley

Species/Run	Estimates	Current Status	Low	Year	High	Year
Spring Chinook	200,000-500,000	Supplemented Population	666	1995	23,265	2001
Fall Chinook	38,000-100,000	Supplemented Population	523	1988	13,000	2002
Summer Chinook	??	Extirpated 1970'S Began Reintroduction 2008	0	till 12	1,511	2014
Coho	40,000 150,000	Extirpated 1980'S Reintroduced 1997	0	till 93	26,405	2014
Sockeye	100,000 200,000	Extirpated Early 1900's Reintroduction 2009	0	Till 2009	10,000 2,666	2014
Steelhead	30,000 100,000	Wild Population (ESA) Kelt Reconditioning	505	1996	6,793	2010
Total	408,000-1,050,000					
Bull Trout	??	Wild Population (ESA)			2500 to 3000 adults	
Lamprey	??	Wild Population			0 to 87 adults	

**DEVELOPMENT AND OPERATION OF THE CLE
ELUM SUPPLEMENTATION RESEARCH FACILITY
TO ENHANCE SPRING CHINOOK SALMON
Oncorhynchus tshawytscha IN THE YAKIMA
RIVER, WASHINGTON**





1st Brood

Integrated HxW
spawning in the
wild

Integrated F1
progeny
return

Integrated F2
progeny
return

1997

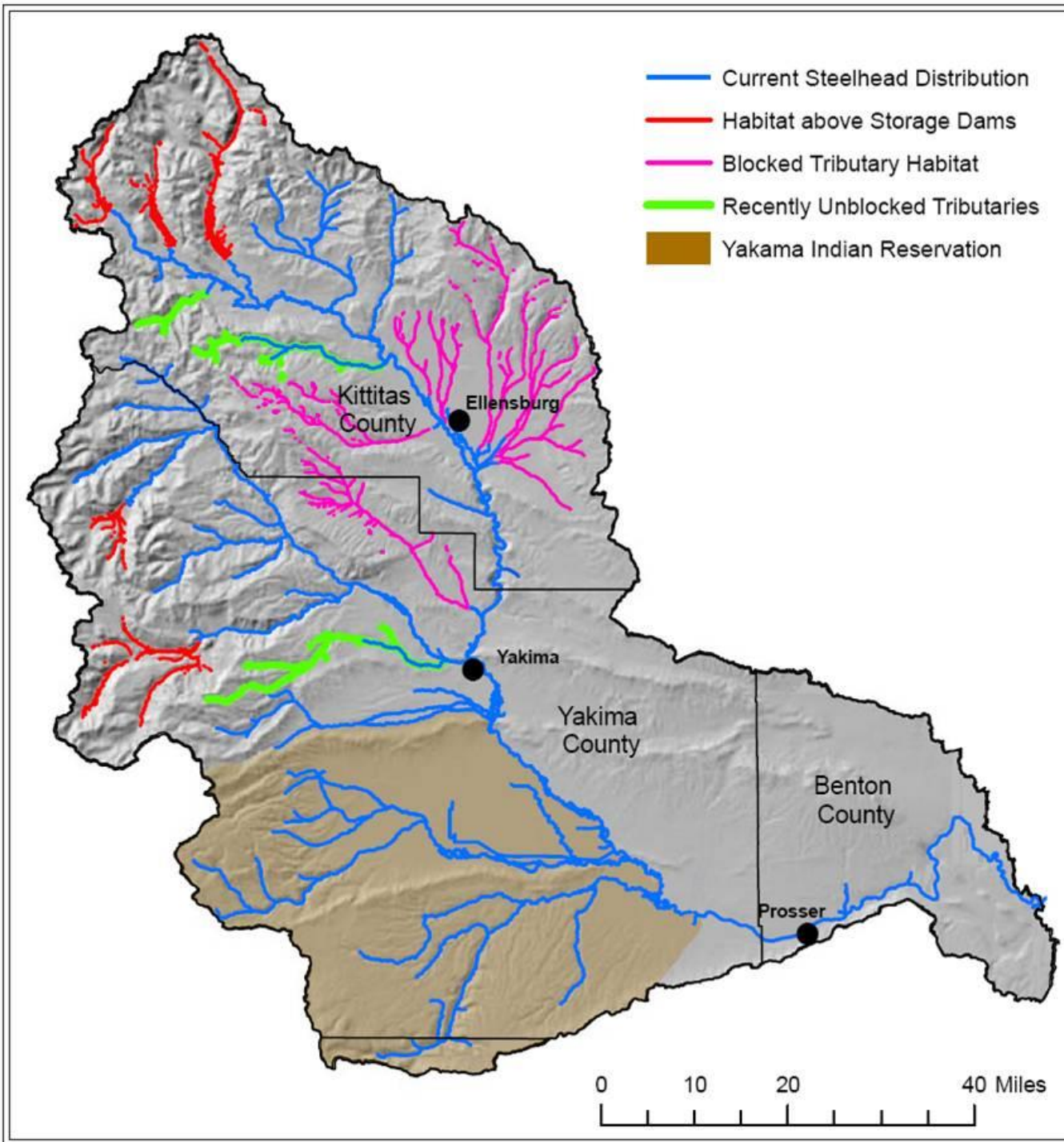
2001

2005

2009

2013





Restoration Toolkit

- **Habitat Protection and Restoration**
- **Passage and Flow Restoration**
- **Outplanting Natural- and Hatchery-Origin Adults**
- **Nutrient Enhancement**
- **Hatcheries**



HABITAT ENHANCEMENT IMPROVING CULVERT PASSAGE



Upper Yakima River Basin





← Adult Monitoring Facility

Juvenile Sampling Facility

Roza Irrigation Canal

Roza Dam Fish Monitoring Facilities



MISSION OF FACILITY

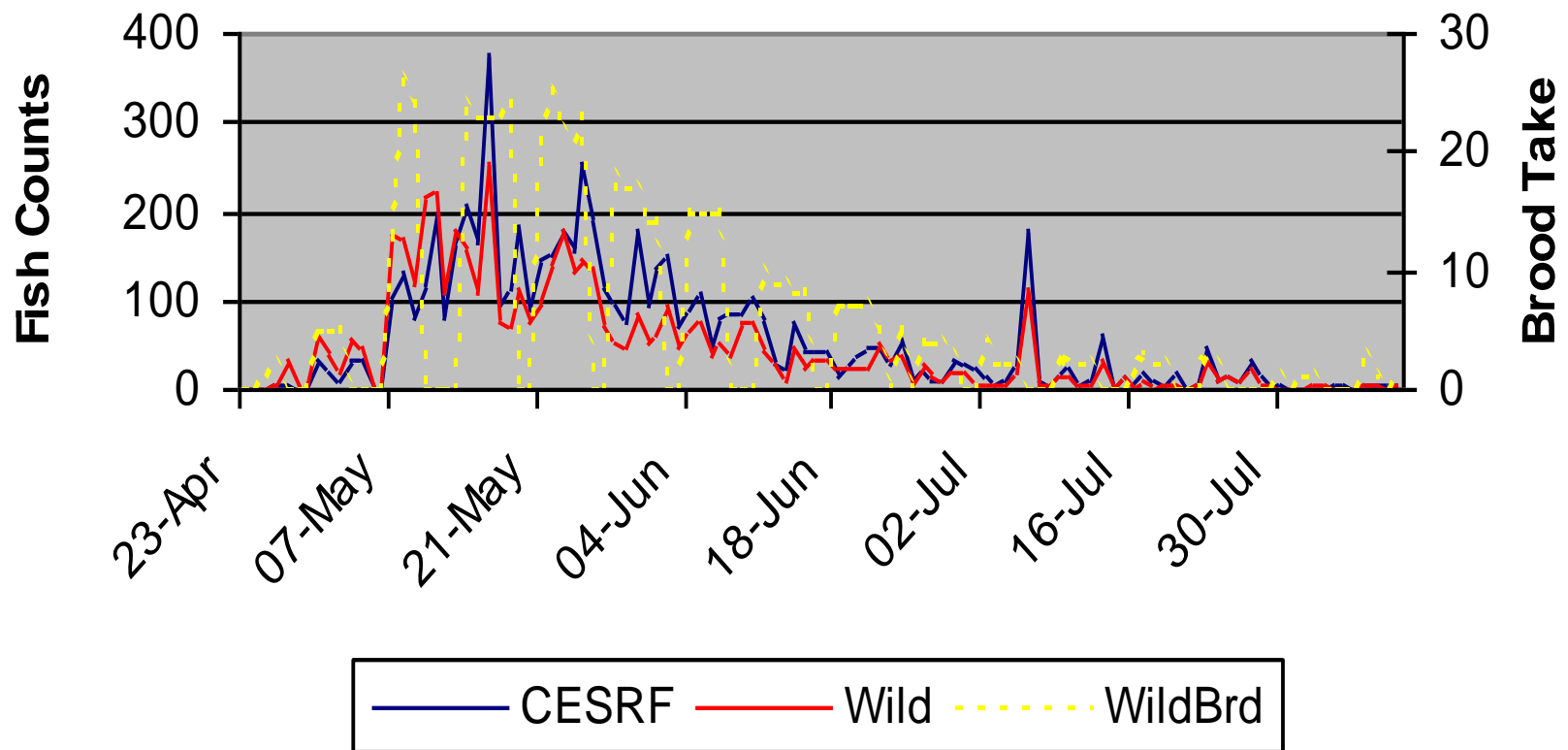
- **Collect Broodstock**
- **Enumerate Spawning Escapement**
- **Monitor Characteristics of Escapement (age, length, weight, DNA,)**
- **Enumerate Hatchery Returns (by Treatment, Acclimation Site and Brood Year)**



BROODSTOCK COLLECTION GENETIC GUIDELINES

- **100% NATURAL BROOD STOCK**
- **COLLECTION THROUGHOUT ADULT RUN
TIMING**
- **RANDOM COLLECTION OF ADULTS**
- **TAKE NO MORE THAN 50% OF ADULTS INTO
HATCHERY (HALF THE ADULTS SPAWN IN THE
WILD)**
- **Integrated Hatchery Concept - PNI**

Spring Chinook Run Timing at Roza, 2001



Upper Yakima River Basin



Cle Elum Spring Chinook Supplementation and Research Facility

Goals

- maintain or increase:
 - Harvest
 - natural production
 - ecosystem function
- research to:
 - address critical uncertainties
 - improve hatchery practices



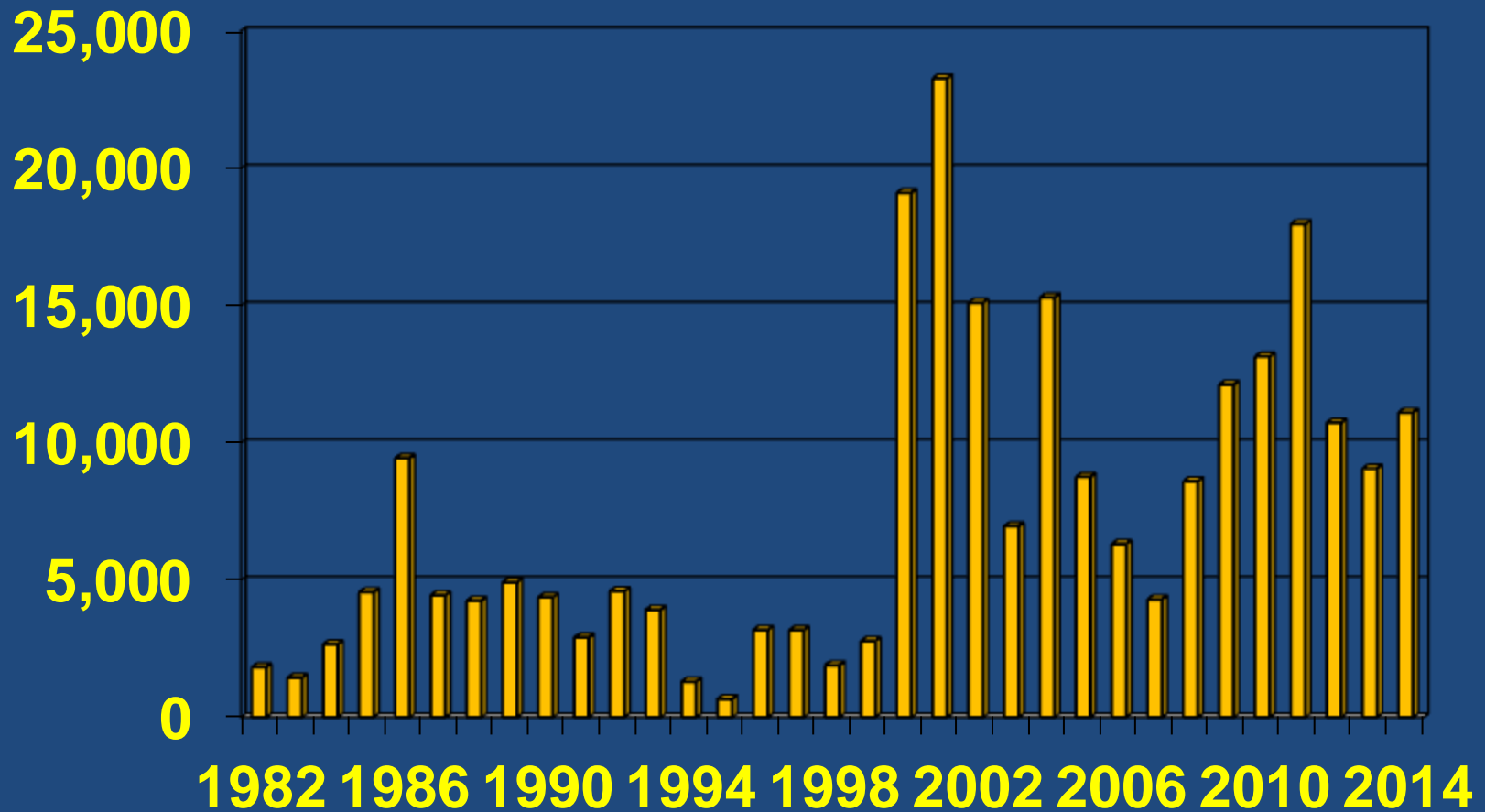


Upper Yakima River Basin



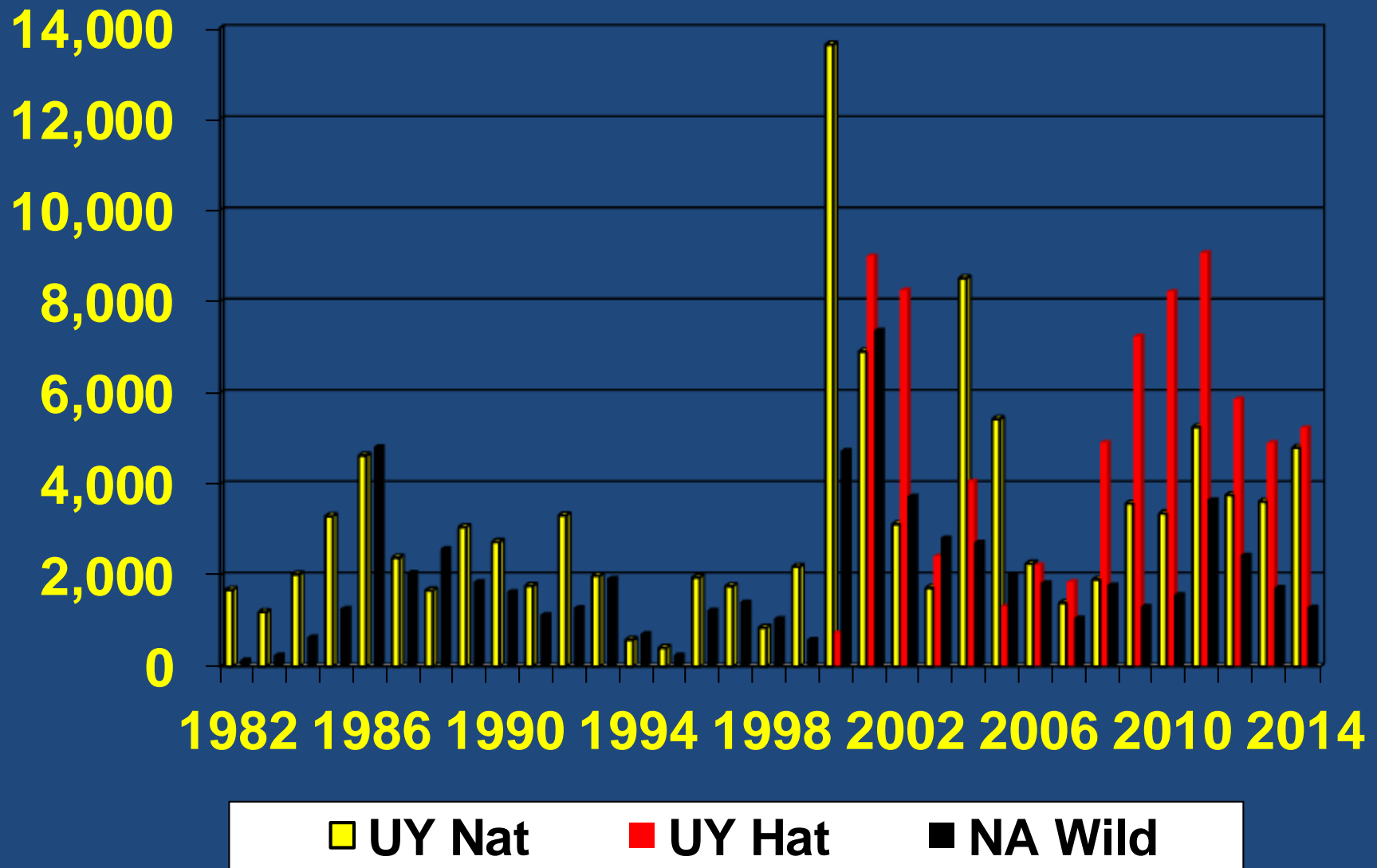


Yakima Basin Spring Chinook Total Returns, 1982 – 2011

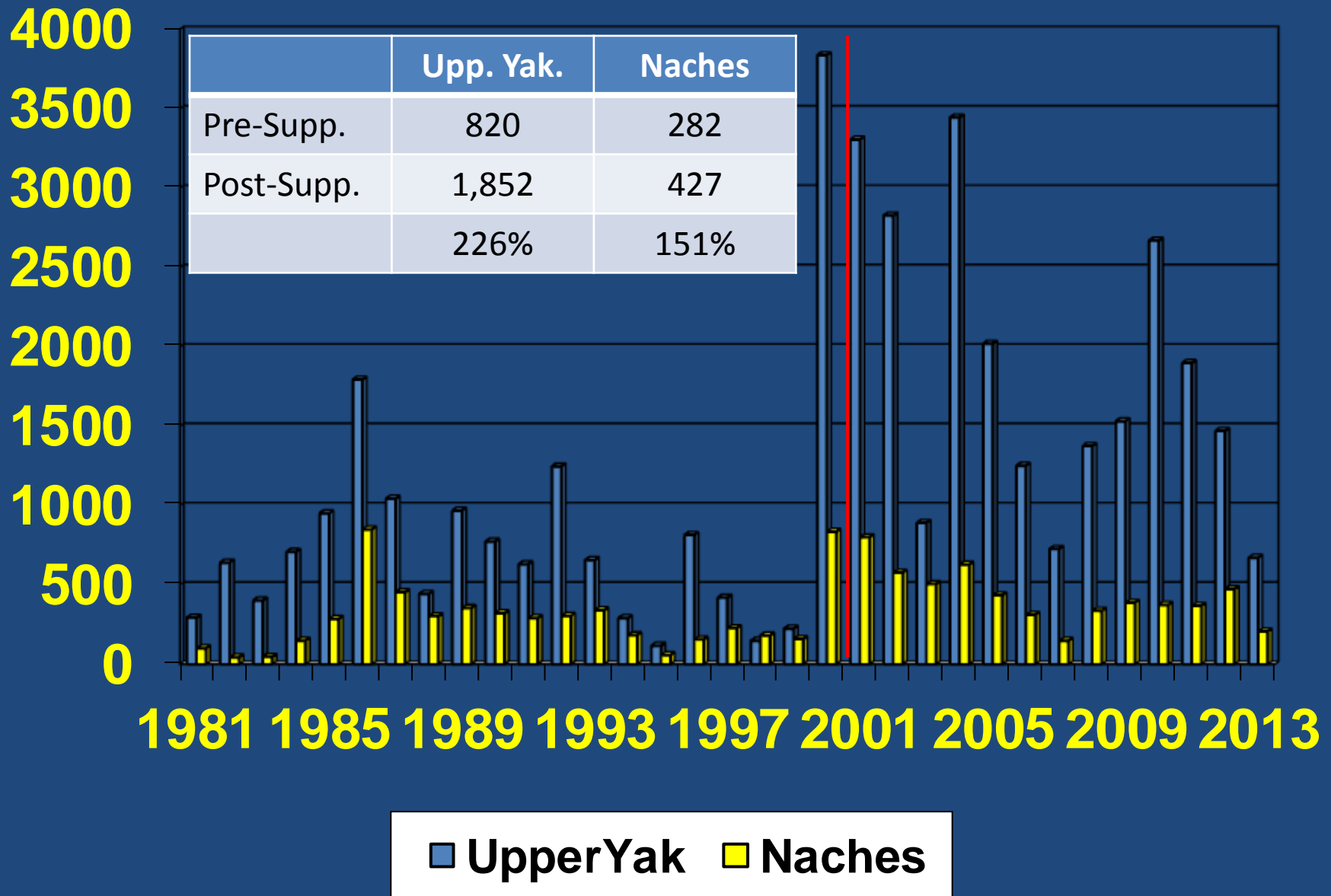


Yakima Basin Spring Chinook

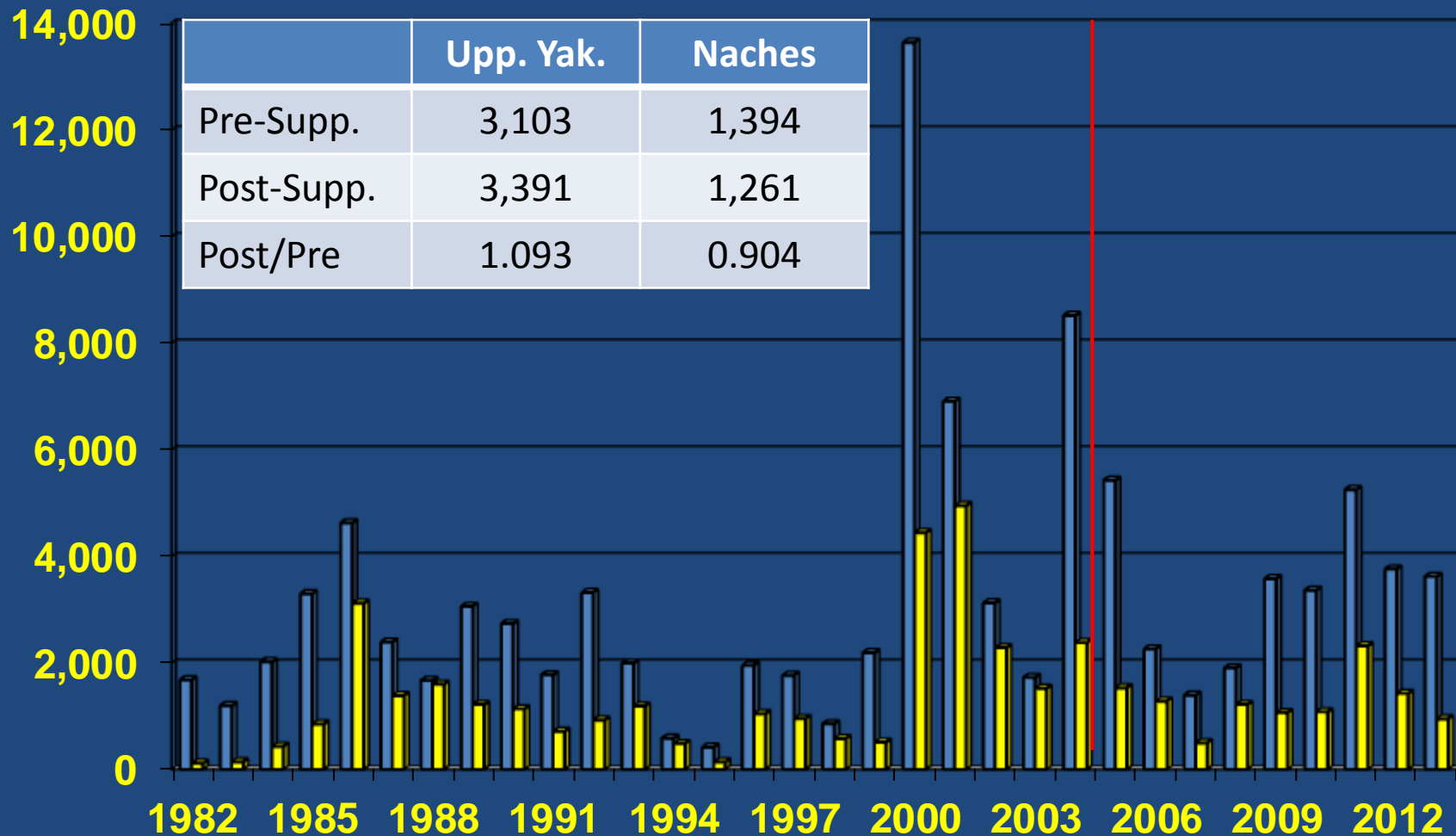
Total Returns by Subbasin, 1982 – 2014



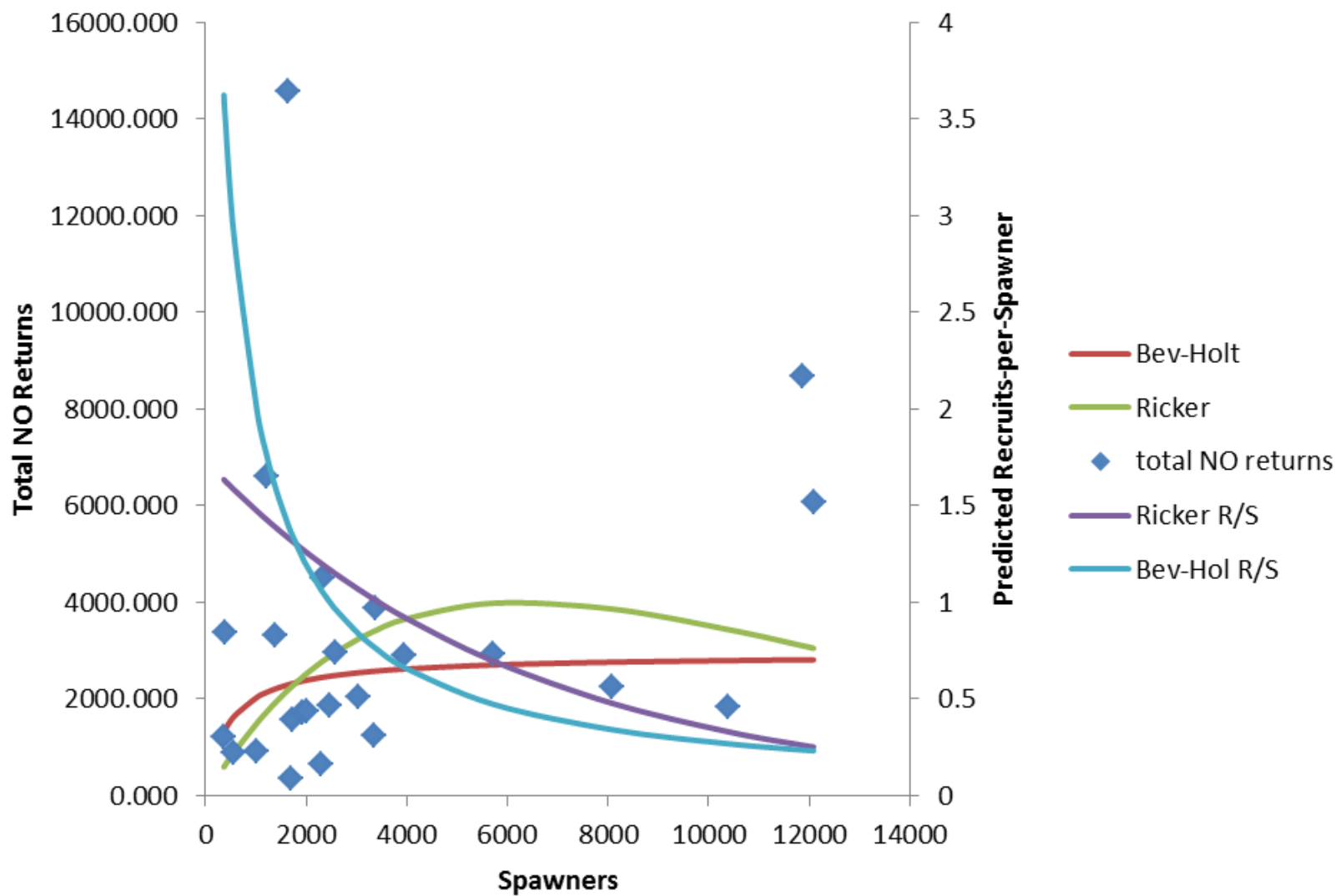
Upper Yakima vs Naches Redds, 1981-2013



Upper Yakima vs Naches Natural-Origin Returns, 1982-2013



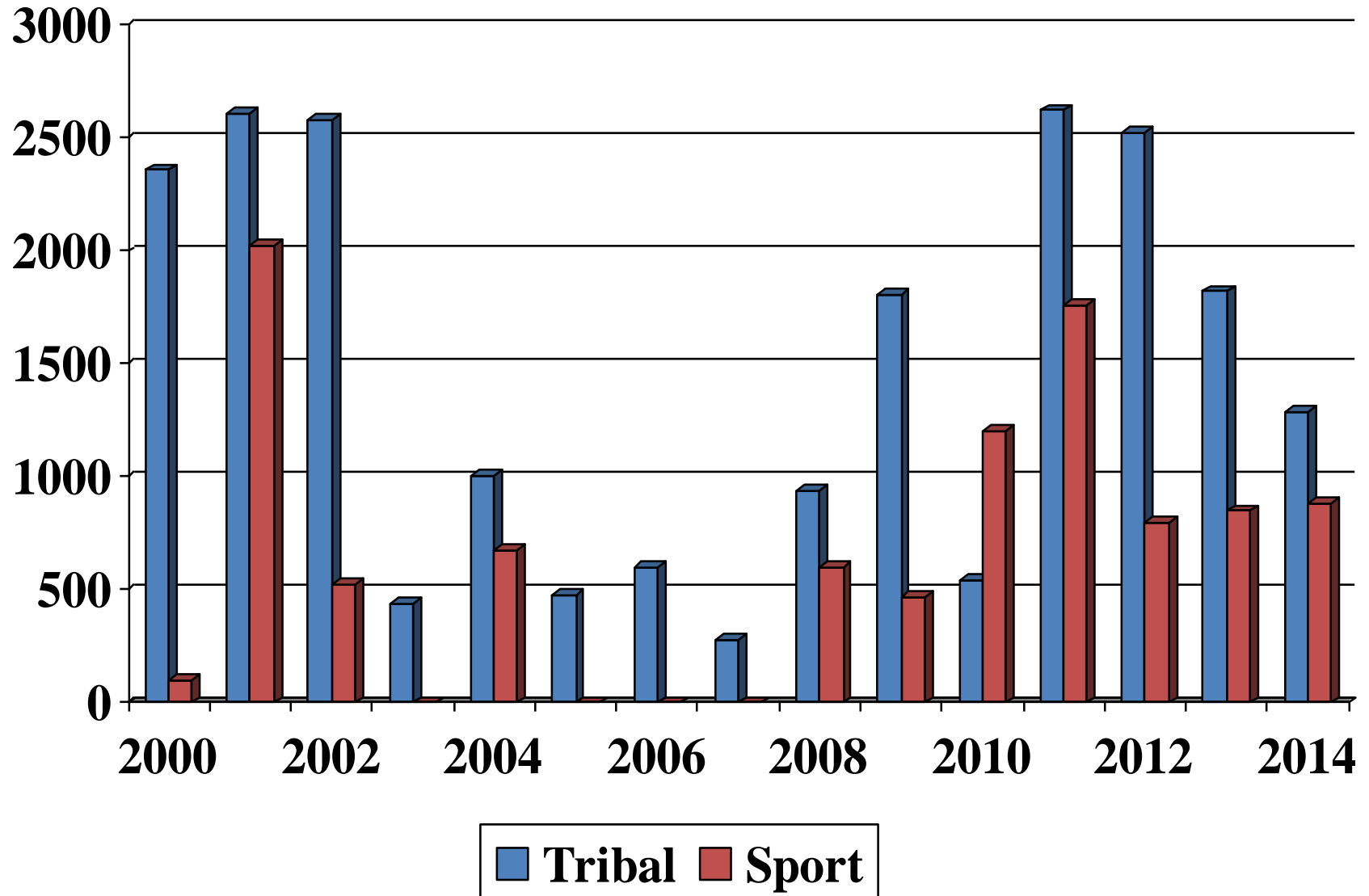
■ UpperYak ■ Naches



YKFP Spring Chinook Supplementation Project

**Enhanced the tribal subsistence
And ceremonial fisheries
&
Initiated the first sport fisheries
In over 50 years**

Yakima Spring Chinook Harvest



IMPROVE NATURAL PRODUCTION

Maintain Homing & Site Selection

- * Homing to Acclimation Sites
- * Redd Characterization and Selection

Reproductive Success

- * Laboratory
- * Spawning Channel
- * Hatchery & Wild Redd Characteristics

HOMING FIDELITY



Reproductive Success

Comparative behavioral/reproductive fitness research



Breeding Success of Naturally Spawning Wild- And Hatchery-Origin Spring Chinook Salmon

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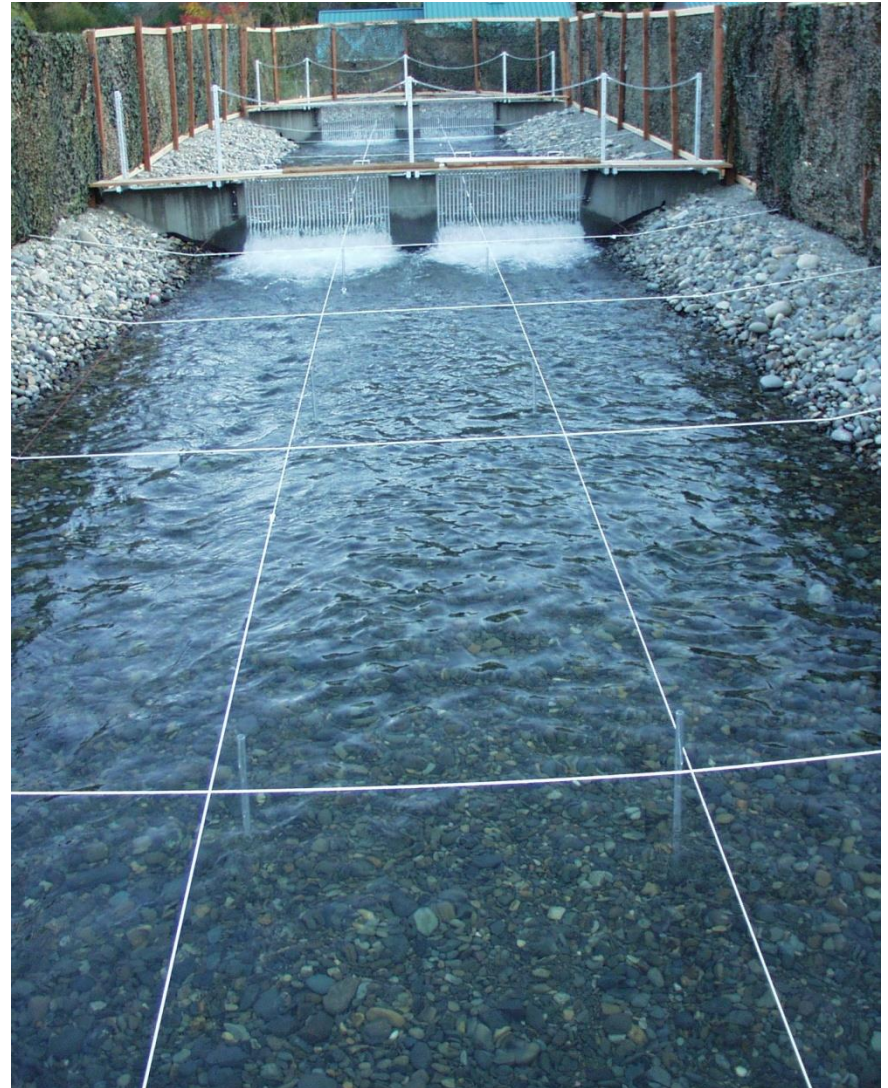
S.F. Young



Why An Artificial Stream?

Confounding Factors Can Be Controlled

- **Physical Environment**
(Gravel, Water Velocity & Depth)
- **Fish** (No., Type, Maturation, Condition, Entrance Timing)
- **DNA** (All Adults & Subsample Of Fry)
- **Behavior** (Correlate Individual Behavior with Fish Origin & Breeding Success)



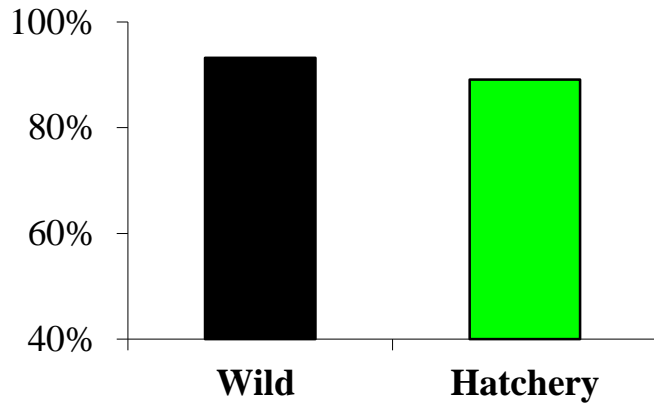
Female Breeding Success

Performance Based:

- Capacity to Deposit Eggs
- Survival of Deposited Eggs
To The Fry Stage
- Converting Absolute Fecundity
To Fry



Egg Deposition



Wild = 93.2%

Hatchery = 89.1%

$P = 0.15$ paired- t test

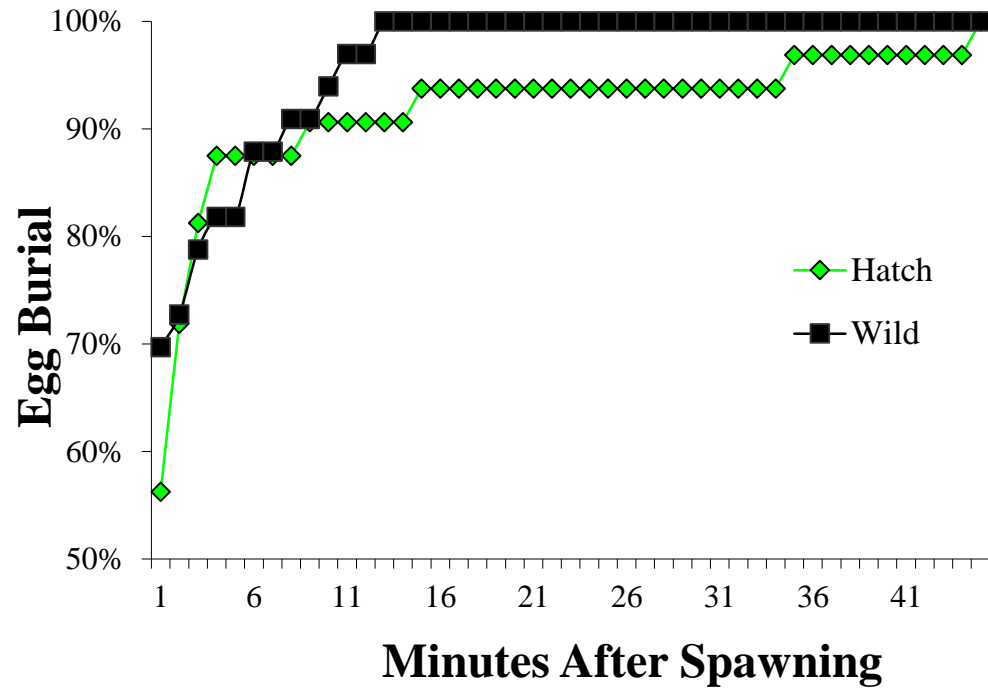
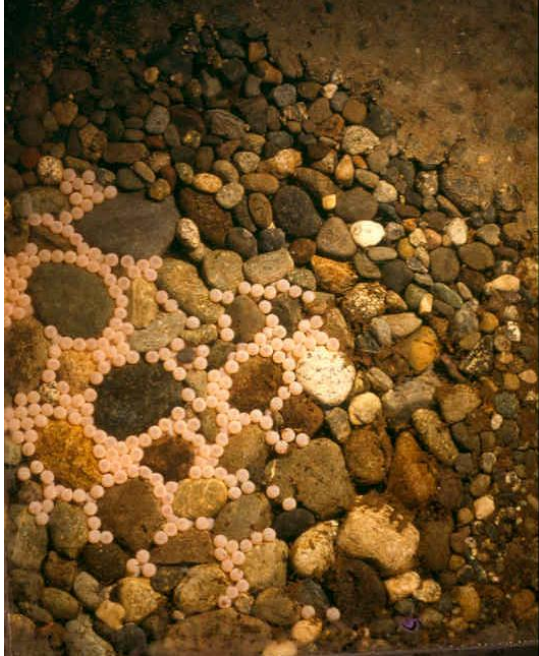


Nest Construction Activities Compared

- Digging
Frequency
- Body Flexures
Per Dig
- Egg Burial



Egg Burial Times For Hatch & Wild Females



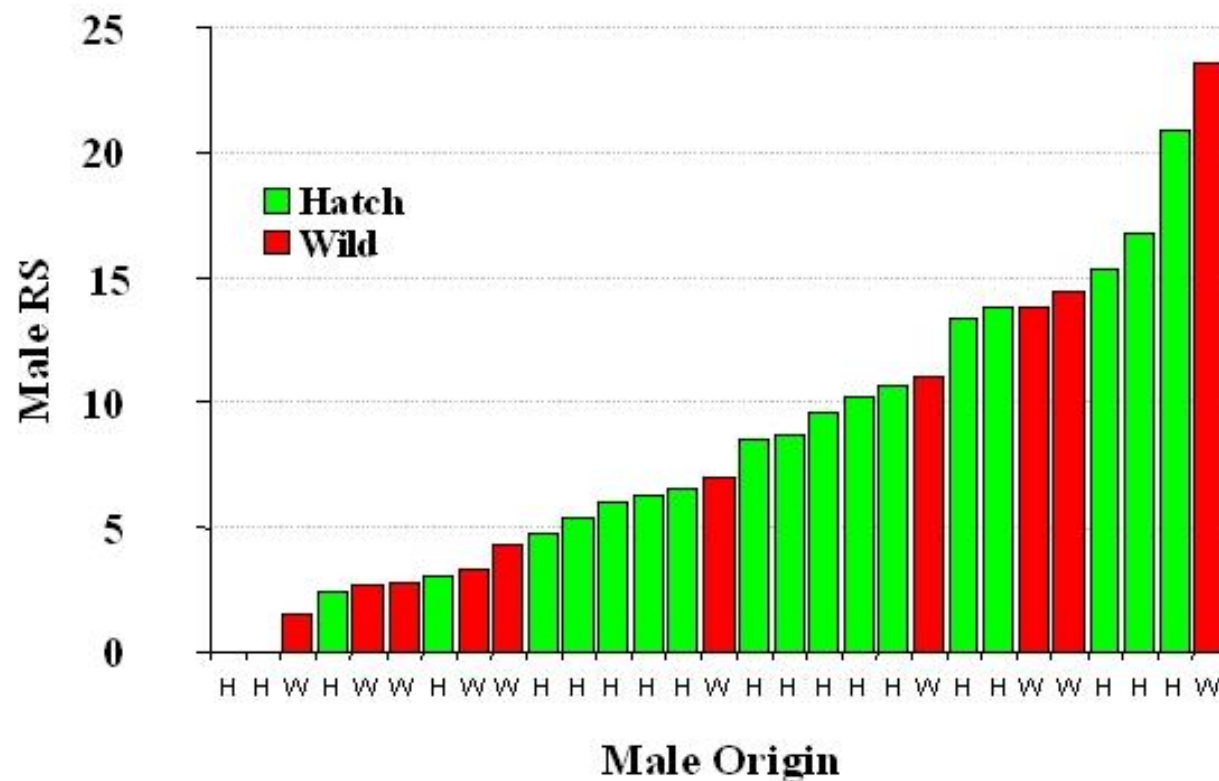
Breeding Success of Wild and First-Generation Hatchery Female Spring Chinook Salmon Spawning in an Artificial Stream

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Transactions of the American Fisheries Society, 137:1475-1489

“No differences were detected in the egg deposition rates of wild and hatchery females. Pedigree assignments based on microsatellite DNA, however, showed that the eggs deposited by wild females survived to the fry stage at a 5.6% higher rate than those spawned by hatchery females.”

Reproductive Success Of Wild & Hatchery Males

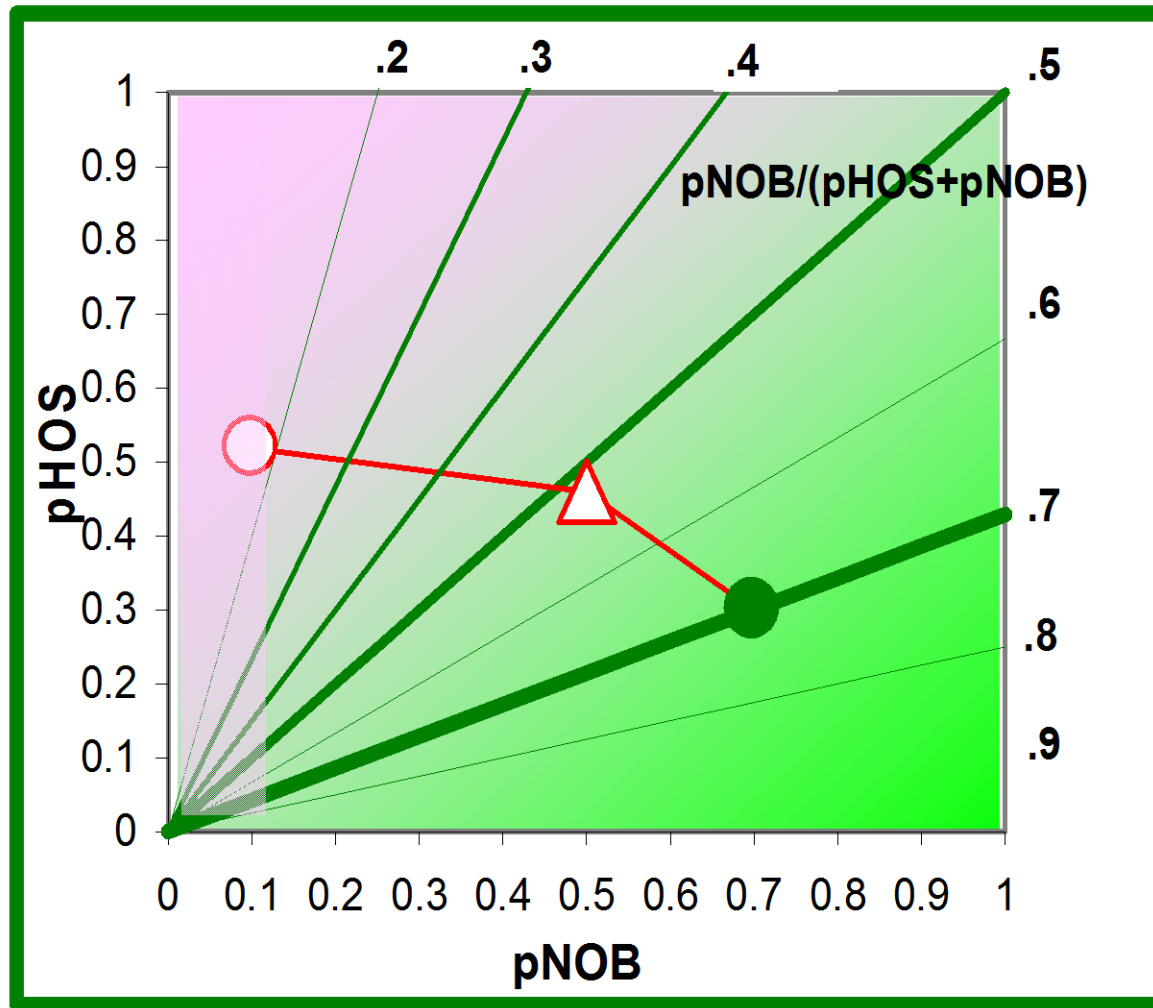


Behavior and Breeding Success of Wild and First-Generation Hatchery Male Spring Chinook Salmon Spawning in an Artificial Stream

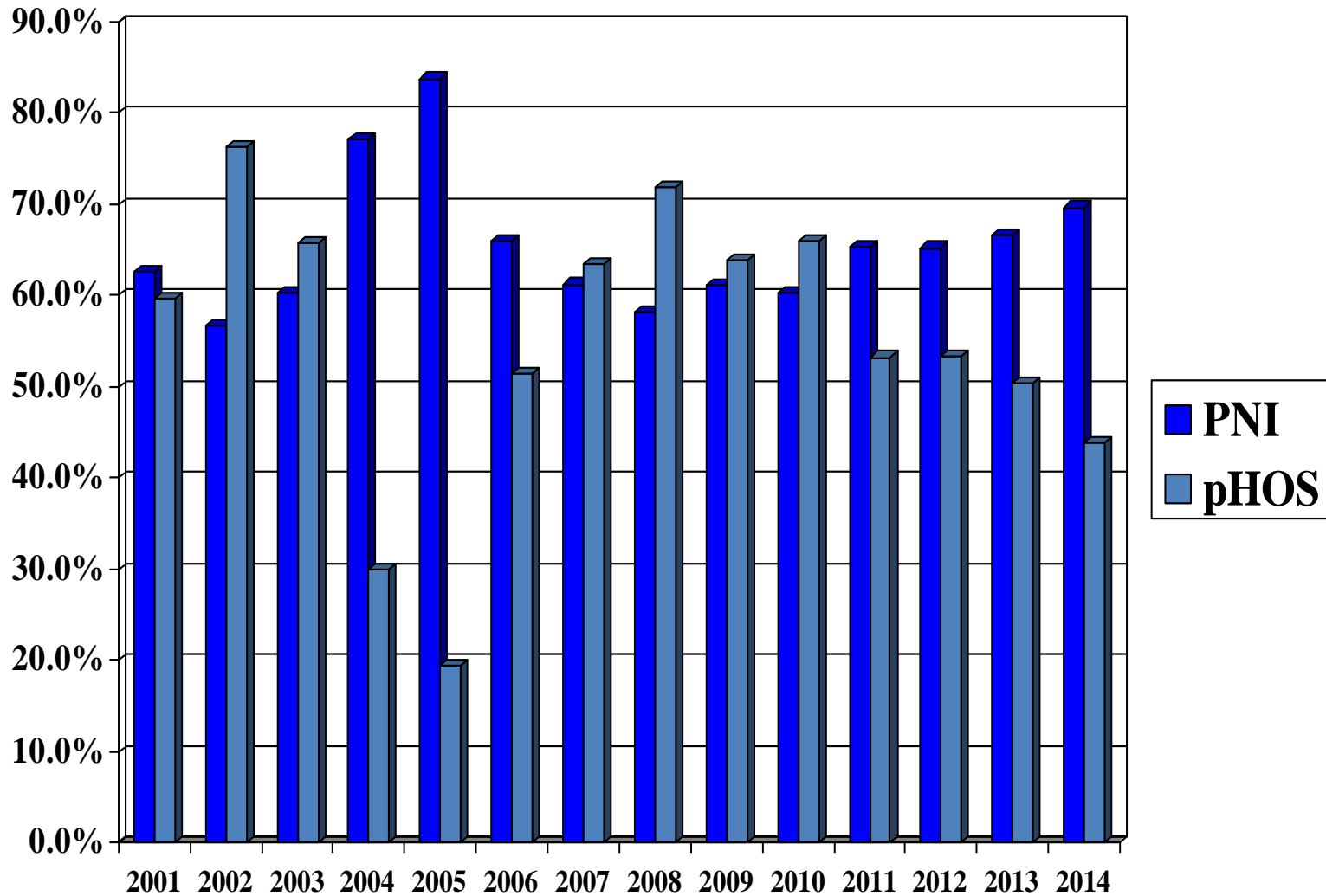
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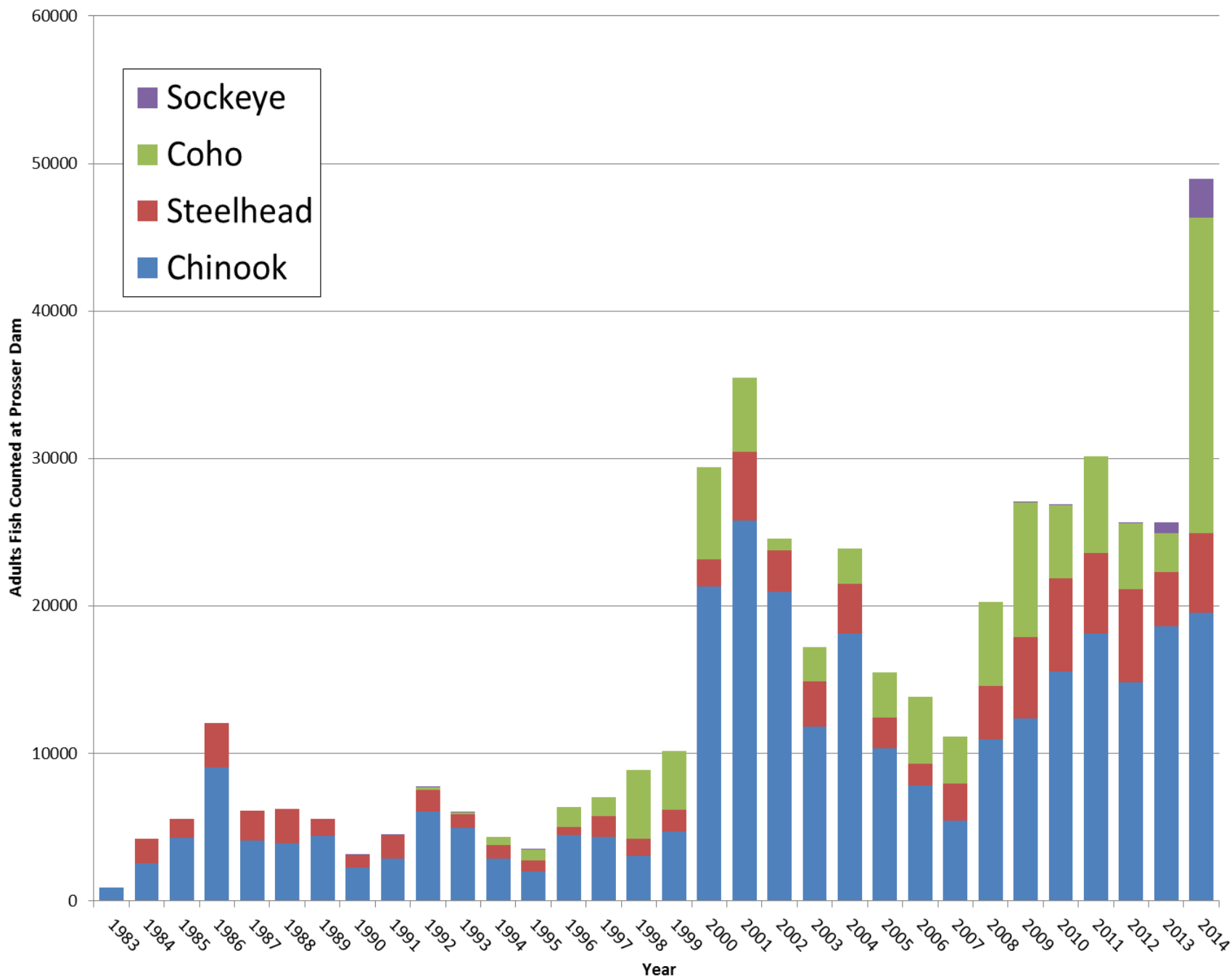
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“Pedigree analyses based on DNA showed that hatchery and wild males had comparable breeding success values.”



Annual PNI and pHOS





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Evaluating the effectiveness of managed gene flow to reduce adaptation to captivity in supportive breeding programs



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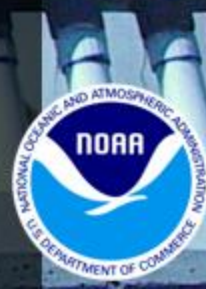
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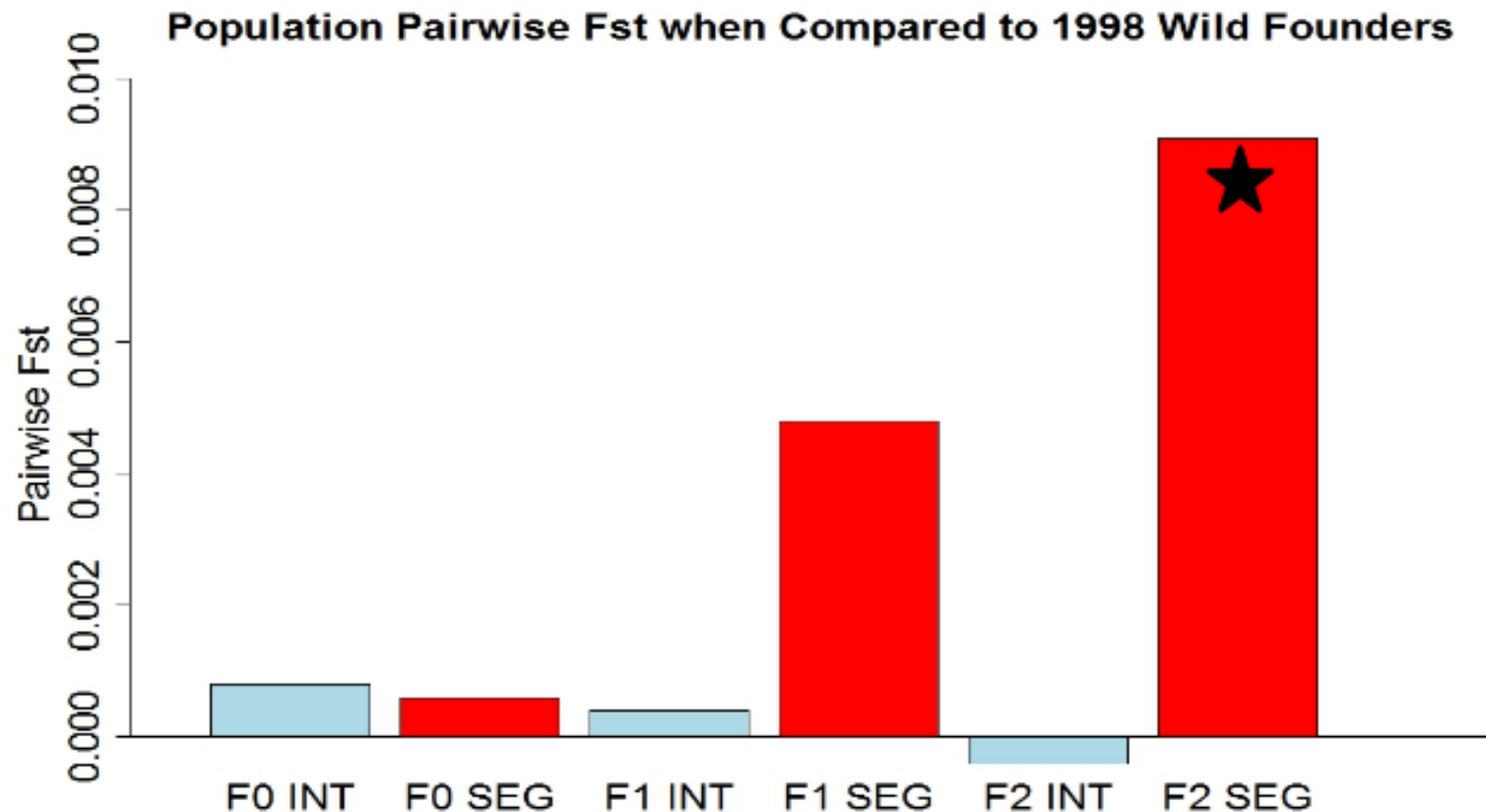
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Genetic Differentiation

Fst is a common measure of genetic differentiation

- Higher Fst means more differentiation
- Fst of 0.05-0.1 common among salmon populations



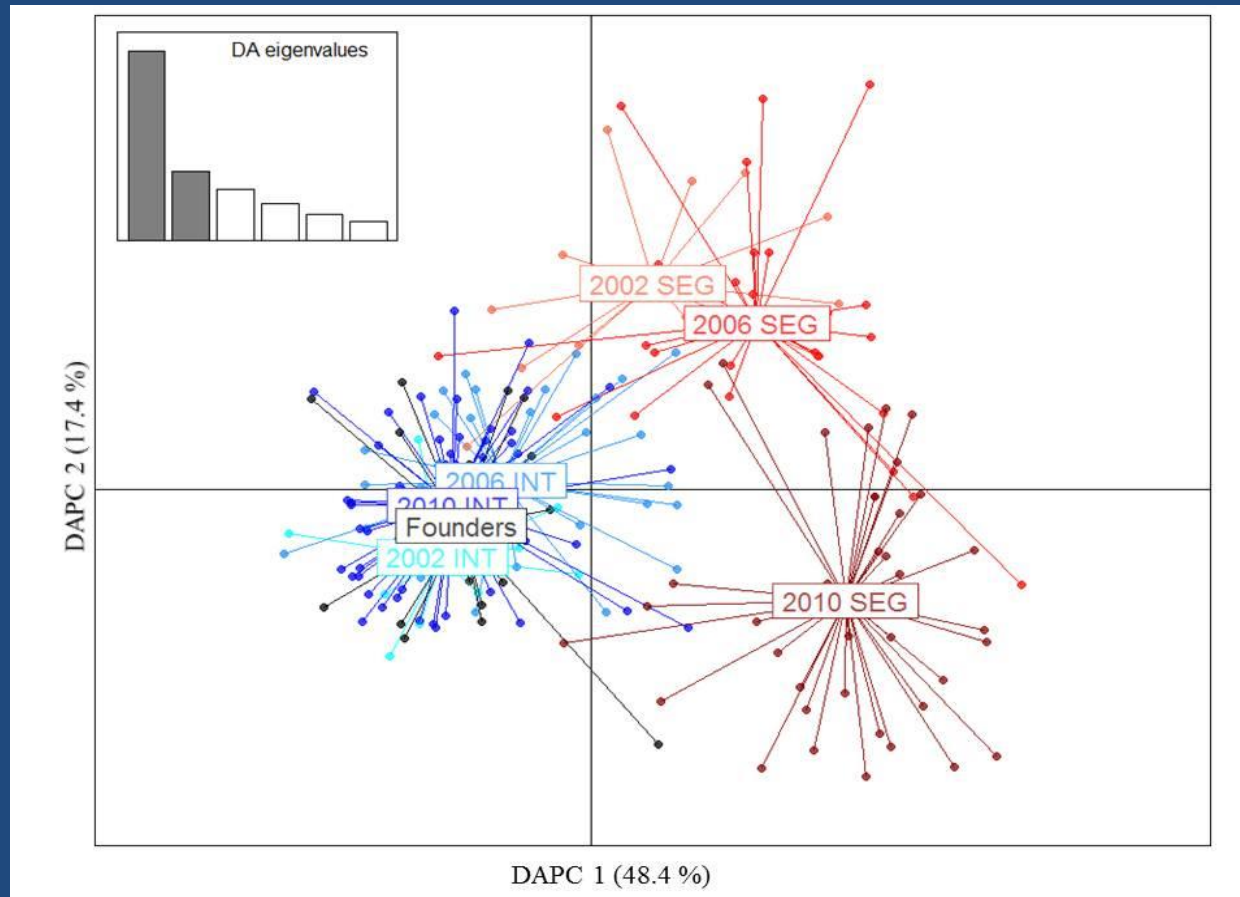


Fig 1. Discriminant analysis of principal components (axes 1-2 displayed; 70 PC's retained) describing genotypes of 213 Chinook salmon at 2,803 mapped loci. Individuals include the wild founders and three generations of integrated (INT) and segregated (SEG) hatchery lines. Points represent individuals, with lines connecting each individual to their respective population mean. The scree plot shows the eigenvalues of the plotted axes in grey.

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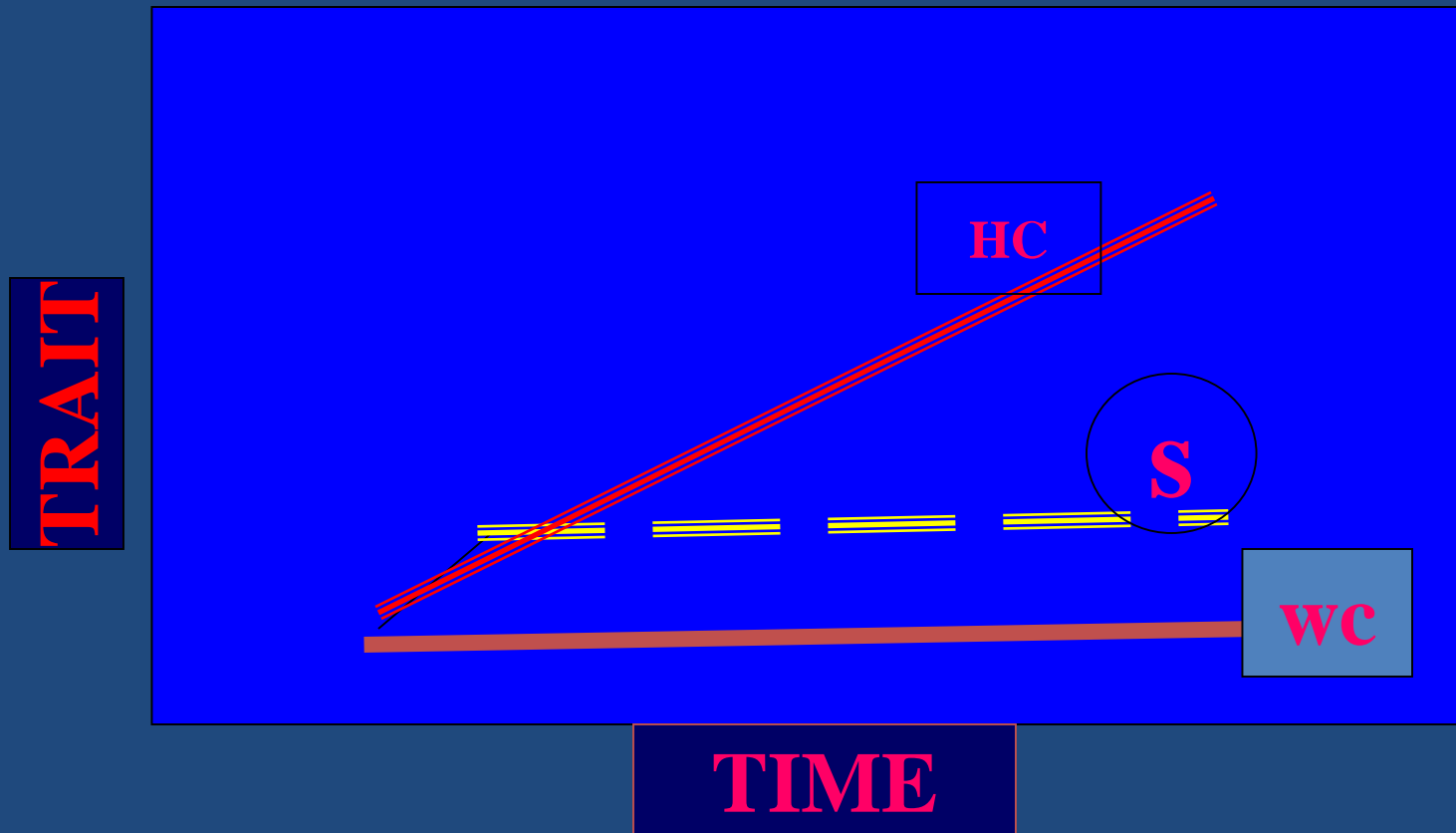
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DOMESTICATION RESEARCH

- Supplementation Line – S
- Wild Control Line – WC
- Hatchery Control Line – HC

Potential to evaluate the level of domestication that is occurring in the YKFP Supplementation Line (S) and compare to the Hatchery Control Line (HC) of traditional hatcheries as well as an unsupplemented population (W).

DOMESTICATION — HYPOTHETICAL OUTCOMES



JUVENILE TRAITS

- Emergence Timing
- Kd at Emergence
- Egg-fry Survival
- Developmental Abnormalities
- Fry-Smolt Survival
- Juvenile morphology
- Smolt survival
- Natural Smolt Survival
- Smolt-Adult Survival HC Line
- Outmigration Timing
- Food Conversion
- Length-Weight
- Agonistic/Competitive Behavior
- Predator Avoidance
- Precocialism

ADULT TRAITS MONITORED

- Adult Recruits
- Age Composition
- Sex-at-Age
- Sex Ratio/Age
- Run Timing
- Spawn Timing
- Fecundity
- Egg Size
- Reproductive Effort
- Fertility
- Morphology
- Spawning Behavior
- Spawning Success