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Overview

Hatchery reform principles (general)
CJH production details
CCT Selective Harvest & Monitoring
CJH implementation





Hatchery Reform Principles

Via the HSRG (Hatchery Scientific Review Group) http://hatcheryreform.us

> HSRG Summary Conclusions:

- Manage hatchery broodstocks to achieve proper genetic integration with, or segregation from, natural populations;
- Promote local adaptation of natural and hatchery populations;
- Minimize adverse ecological interactions between hatchery- and natural-origin fish;
- Minimize effects of hatchery facilities on the ecosystem; and
- Maximize survival of hatchery fish.





> The Purpose of the CJH Program is to:

Increase Chinook salmon harvest consistent with the natural production goals

Support re-colonization of habitat
 Summer/fall Chinook
 Spring Chinook





The Goals for Okanogan Basin Summer-Fall Chinook are to:

Increase harvest for all fishers

Increase abundance, productivity, and temporal-spatial diversity and of naturally spawning Chinook in the Okanogan Basin

- improve fitness of population by maintaining high PNI
- reduce redd superimposition
- diversify run and spawn timing
- seed underutilized lower river habitat

Program size:

- Segregated (up to 900k smolts)
- Integrated (up to 1.1 M smolts)



Timeline

- 1989-present: (Similkameen Pond program)(PUD mitigation)
 2001 Description (SUD)
- 2001: Began planning and NPCC/BPA processes for CJH
 - Several HSRG members on the planning team
- 2008: Began testing purse seine MSF

HGMP approved

- 2010: Testing 'local' brood collection (purse seine)
 NPCC/BPA 3 step process complete, began construction
- 2012: 100% local brood collection
- 2013: Construction complete/ribbon cutting First official CJH brood collection
- **2014:** First release of segregated subyearlings from CJH
- **2017:** First year of adult returns (4 yr olds)





275k yearlings &300k sub-yearlings

<u>Segregated</u> 500k yearlings & 400k sub-yearlings

Biological Targets (5 yr running mean)

- > 0.67 PNI
- < 0.30 pHOS
 ~ 5,400 NOS (~7500 total spawners)

Or else?

More aggressive/additional MSF
 The integrated program shrinks or suspends

 < 2,000 NOS the brood collection is reduced
 < 800 NOS = no integrated program

Recent Performance (NOS)



Recent Performance

(Total Spawners)



Recent Performance (pHOS)



Recent Performance



Mark-Selective Fisheries

The Dream Catcher



Mark-Selective Fisheries



Terminal MSF

Sport
Fishery ¹

Year	Ad-Clip Retained	Ad-Present Retained	Ad-Present Released
2014^2	2162	0	4793
2013	2883	0	3763
2012	2960	1714	919
2011	2806	1890	288

CCT Purse Seine Fishery

Year	Ad-Clip Retained	Ad-Present Retained	Ad-Present Released
2014^2	933	15	3722
2013	1651	1	1483
2012	2096	1	957
2011	344	1	133

¹ Sport Fishery data provided by M. Tonseth WDFW

² 2014 data is provisional

Okanogan Adult Fish Weir

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opposite and

shift risks

CJH RM&E Data Collection

Test key assumptions

Implementation of decision rules



Status and Trend

- Spawners
- Smolts
- Habitat

ISIT (In Season Implementation Tool) **Conclusions: CJH-Hatchery Reform Principles** How will the CCT and co-managers achieve it?

Segregated program for harvest

- Physically and hydraulically segregated terminal location (Columbia River)
- Minimize stray rate to the natural population (< 5% of spawner composition)
- Uniquely marked (ad-clip, no wire)
- Minimal use of natural origin fish for broodstock
 - uses 1st generation returns from the integrated program

Integrated program for harvest and conservation

- There must be at least 2,000 wild spawners production will be reduced
- At less than 800 wild spawners the production is 0
- High % wild fish in broodstock (>60%)
- Low % hatchery fish on spawning grounds)(< 30%)
- The RIVER has the majority of influence on genetics, NOT the HATCHERY

"The regulation of the times, methods, and apparatus of the fisheries should be such as to assure the largest opportunity practicable for reproduction under natural conditions."

"Artificial propagation should be invoked as an aid and not as a substitute for reproduction under natural conditions"

Marshall McDonald 1894 U.S. Commissioner of Fish and Fisheries



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Essential elements for success

Facilities

- Location (central facility and acclimation ponds) ■ Space, operations, fin clips and tags Collection of wild broodstock Removal of excess hatchery fish ■ Mark selective fisheries ■ Weirs, hatchery ladder