Fly Fishing for Steelhead Chetco River

Adapted from USGS 7.5 minute topo maps

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Please think of these maps as works in progress. If you have 1st hand knowledge, would you share it by dropping a note to *outings.gpff@gmail.com*. The maps print full scale on 11"x17" paper. Comments may be added in Adobe Reader, and the maps may be freely edited in Adobe Illustrator.

Chetco Regs and Flows

Open for steelhead: the whole main stem, May 22 - March 31. Open for Chinook salmon: the main stem upstream to Nook Creek, May 22 - March 31.

Gear Restrictions: May 22 - Aug 31, above tidewater, artificial flies and lures only. Sept 1 - Nov 3, from River Mile 2.2 upstream to Nook Creek, fly- angling (must include a strike indicator) or salmon bobber angling only. Bait is allowed in tidewater. (To make these restrictions consistent, Mile 2.2 must be taken to be the tidewater limit.)

Adult salmon/steelhead, 2 per day, 2 day's catch in possession. Wild steelhead and wild salmon may be harvested 1 per day and 5 per year, as part of daily or annual salmon/steelhead catch. Annual hatchery salmon or steelhead only limited by space on the Combined Angling and Hatchery Harvest Tags.

The Chetco is not dammed. In winter it usually clears within 2 or 3 days of a storm.

