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Lostine River Weir

End of Season Chinook Summary: Return Year 2023 December 11, 2023

Disposition Summary

- In-season adult return-to-tributary estimates were updated on June 21, 2023 to 262 natural-origin and 544 hatchery-origin adults.
- Brood stock collection goals are 48 natural-origin adults, 112 hatchery-origin adults, and 6 hatchery-origin jacks.
- Composition of a dults passed upstream: 48% Hatchery (Sliding scale goal $\leq 50\%$)
- Composition of adults kept for broad: 31% Natural (Sliding scale goal \geq 30%)

Table 1: Return year 2023 capture and disposition summary of Hatchery Chinook Salmon (Numbers in parentheses exclude recaptures).

Disposition	J	F	M	Total [>630]	Total [all]
Upstream Release	5 (5)	63 (63)	81 (81)	144 (144)	149 (149)
Brood Collection	6 (6)	57 (57)	57 (57)	114 (114)	120 (120)
Food Distribution	25(24)	0 (0)	1 (1)	1 (1)	26 (25)
Wallowa River Outplant	18 (18)	31 (31)	66 (66)	97 (97)	115 (115)
Recycled to Fishery	1 (1)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	1 (1)
Mortality	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Total	55 (54)	151 (151)	205 (205)	356 (356)	411 (410)

Table 2: Return year 2023 capture and disposition summary of Natural Chinook Salmon (Numbers in parentheses exclude recaptures).

Disposition	J	F	M	Total [>630]	Total [all]
Upstream Release	22 (22)	67 (67)	92 (92)	159 (159)	181 (181)
Brood Collection	0 (0)	27(27)	24(24)	51 (51)	51 (51)
Food Distribution	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Wallowa River Outplant	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Recycled to Fishery	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Mortality	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)	0 (0)
Total	22 (22)	94 (94)	116 (116)	210 (210)	232 (232)

Table 3: Return year 2023 weekly summary of captured adult Chinook Salmon and Bull Trout, excluding recaptures. Broodstock collection for Chinook Salmon is shown in parenthesis. *Asterisk indicates an incomplete week.

Week Start	Natural Chinook	Hatchery Chinook	Bull Trout
< Jun 11	0 (0)	0 (0)	1
Jun 11	8 (4)	4 (3)	12
Jun 18	11 (1)	14 (9)	4
Jun 25	7 (2)	14 (5)	6
Jul 02	39 (15)	66 (38)	9
Jul 09	71 (18)	157 (39)	16
Jul 16	24 (0)	44 (1)	4
Jul 23	8 (0)	8 (0)	0
Jul 30	5 (1)	12 (2)	0
Aug 06	5 (1)	8 (4)	0
Aug 13	2 (0)	5 (0)	0
Aug 20	3 (2)	7 (6)	0
Aug 27	9 (4)	5 (3)	0
Sep 03	14 (2)	8 (3)	0
Sep 10	3 (0)	4 (1)	0
Sep 17	1 (1)	0 (0)	0
Total	210 (51)	356 (114)	52

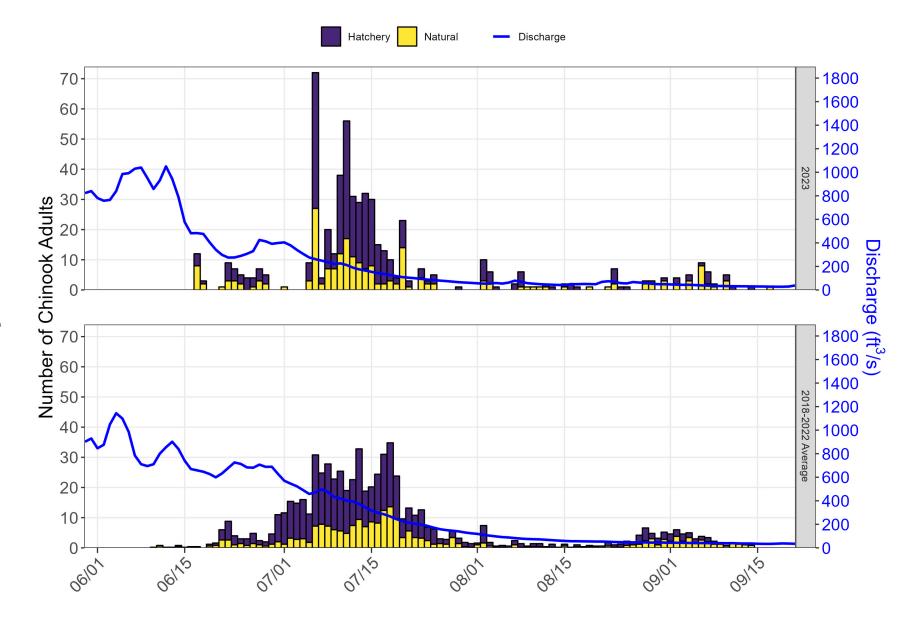


Figure 1: Return year 2023 (top panel) and five-year average (bottom panel) of mean daily discharge (cubic feet per second) and daily captures of hatchery- and natural-origin adult Chinook salmon at the Lostine River Weir. Discharge recorded at USGS station 1333000 located upstream of the town of Lostine.

Distribution List

Beals, S (ODFW) Brady, A (BPA) Brandt, E (ODFW) Bratcher, K (ODFW) Brigante, E (ODFW) Bronson, P (CTUIR) Bonifer, J (CTUIR) Craft, N (ODFW) Deal, D (ODFW) Engle, R (FWS) Farnam, B (NOAA) Feldhaus, J (ODFW) Garza, Gabriel (ODFW) Gee, S (ODFW) Gibbs, A (ODFW) Greiner, M (ODFW) Hagenah, P (Landowner) Harbeck, J (NPT) Harrod, R (ODFW) Hesse, J (NPT) Humphreys, J (TU) Johnson, B (NPT)

Johnson, D (NPT) Kozlowski, C (ODFW) Lance, M (ODFW) Lemanski, J (ODFW) Maxwell, A (TU) McLean, M (CTUIR) Nisbitt, K (Wallowa CTY) Oatman, J (NPT) Robertson, M (FWS) Rumelhart, R (NPT) Ruzycki, J (ODFW) Treadway, E (ODFW) Smith, J (ODFW) Vatland, S (NPT) Vogel, J (NPT) Watry, C (NPT) Wiese, N (USFWS) Wolfe, W (Landowner) Yanke, J (ODFW) Yearout, J (NPT) Young, B (NPT) Zollman, R (NPT)

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