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Columbia River Basin Hatchery Review Team**

**Columbia River Basin, Columbia Gorge Province**

*Little White Salmon, Big White Salmon, and Wind River Watersheds*



**Carson, Spring Creek, Little White Salmon, and Willard  
National Fish Hatcheries**

**Assessments and Recommendations**

**Final Report, Appendix A:**

All-H Analyzer (AHA) Output for Salmon and Steelhead Stocks

**December 2007**



## **Appendix A: All-H Analyzer (AHA) Output for Salmon and Steelhead Stocks Carson, Spring Creek, and Little White Salmon National Fish Hatcheries, including natural populations in the Wind, Big White Salmon, and Little White Salmon Rivers.**

### *What is AHA?*

AHA is an *Excel*-based spreadsheet simulation model that quantifies the mean number of adults returning to a watershed after many generations (years) of reproduction and migration based on equilibrium, or near equilibrium, conditions. Recent versions of AHA (Versions 6.x and 7.x) for the Columbia River allocate returning adults to six physical geographic locations: (1) a hatchery and other recapture facilities within the watershed under consideration; (2) the natural habitat within the watershed where adults spawn; (3) marine harvest areas; (4) the lower Columbia River mainstem downstream from Bonneville Dam; (5) the upper Columbia River mainstem upstream from Bonneville Dam, and (6) a terminal harvest area in the watershed where adults return to spawn. The model was developed primarily by Lars Moberg (Moberg Biometrics), in collaboration with the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) and the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission (NWIFC), as part of the HSRG review<sup>1</sup> of salmon and steelhead hatcheries in Puget Sound and coastal Washington state.

AHA is based on the Beverton-Holt spawner-recruit model where habitat *capacity* represents the maximum number of adult recruits (asymptote of the Beverton-Holt curve) that the habitat can produce and return to a watershed, and *productivity* represents the slope of the spawner-recruit curve at the origin (i.e., the number of adult recruits per adult spawner [ $R/S$ ] when the number of adult spawners is very low and density-dependent factors or competition can be ignored). The actual model (spreadsheet) consists of several sheets (e.g. natural component sheet, hatchery component sheet, genetic fitness sheet, etc.) where estimated mean values of biological and population dynamic parameters are provided by the user (e.g. mean fecundity of females, estimated egg-to-smolt survival, etc.). The genetic fitness function is based on the model of Ford (2002)<sup>2</sup> and allows the mean fitness of a population (productivity) to decrease incrementally over time depending on (a) the mean proportion of natural spawners composed of hatchery-origin adults ( $pHOS$ ) relative to the mean proportion of the hatchery broodstock composed of natural-origin adults ( $pNOB$ ), and (b) the number of generations that hatchery-origin fish spawn naturally in the watershed. The model is currently being used by fishery comanagers in the Pacific Northwest as a “planning tool” to (a) document assumptions and goals (e.g. current and future habitat conditions, respectively) and (b) assess the likelihood that harvest and conservation goals can be achieved given the aforementioned assumptions and desired future conditions. Only those scenarios achieving realistic or desired outcomes are

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<sup>1</sup> [www.hatcheryreform.org](http://www.hatcheryreform.org)

<sup>2</sup> Ford, M.J. 2002. Selection in captivity during supportive breeding may reduce fitness in the wild. *Conservation Biology* 16: 815-825.

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considered valid. For example, any scenario that results in extirpation of a stock is considered invalid, where any or all of the four  $H^2s^3$  can contribute to stock extirpation.

*For more detail on AHA, see AHA Technical Discussion Paper on the Publications page of [www.hatcheryreform.org](http://www.hatcheryreform.org). An AHA user's guide and all AHA analyses are available from the AHA section of the prototype Managing for Success web site at [www.mobrand.com/mfs](http://www.mobrand.com/mfs) (log in with user name and password "public"). The AHA User's Guide is also available at [www.fws.gov/pacific/fisheries/hatcheryreview/reports.html](http://www.fws.gov/pacific/fisheries/hatcheryreview/reports.html).*

### *Explanation of Tables A1-A7<sup>4</sup>*

Information in the following tables (Tables A1-A7) is intended to provide a summary "snapshot" of the predicted future outcomes associated with current hatchery programs and alternatives considered by the Review Team. Seven sets of simulations are presented: (1) spring Chinook in the Wind River including Carson NFH spring Chinook; (2) summer steelhead in the Wind River including two hatchery program "alternatives"; (3) fall Chinook in the Wind River (current conditions only); (4) tule fall Chinook at Spring Creek NFH and in the Big White Salmon River after removal of Condit Dam; (5) spring Chinook at Little White Salmon NFH and in the Little White Salmon River; and (6) spring Chinook in the Big White Salmon after removal of Condit Dam, and (7) *upriver bright* (URB) fall Chinook at Little White Salmon NFH and in the Little White Salmon River.

Output of AHA is displayed in a series of colored bar graphs representing adult fish (recruits). Solid green represents natural-origin fish; solid pink represents hatchery-origin fish. Pink diagonal hash bars represent hatchery-origin fish in excess of comanager goals, and gray vertical bars represent hatchery-origin fish that have been selected at least one generation in the natural environment (e.g. as occurs in a genetically-integrated hatchery program).

The graph in the lower-left portion of each table shows the realized mean values of  $pNOB$  and  $pHOS$  (mean proportions of the hatchery broodstock and natural spawners composed of natural-origin adults and hatchery-origin adults, respectively). The diagonal lines represent combination values of  $pNOB$  and  $pHOS$  that yield the same value of the parameter,  $PNI$ , which stands for *proportional natural influence*, where  $PNI = pNOB / (pNOB + pHOS)$ .  $PNI$  varies from 0.0 to 1.0 and represents the relative degree to which the genetic constitutions of hatchery-origin fish and/or natural-origin fish are influenced by the natural environment versus the hatchery environment. When  $pHOS = 0.0$  and  $pNOB > 0.0$ , then  $PNI = 1.0$  and the genetic constitution of natural-origin fish will be determined by the natural environment only. (Note: In practice,  $pNOB$  must be greater than 0.1 to overcome random genetic effects and single-generation selection effects of the hatchery; otherwise, hatchery fish will essentially represent a "hatchery stock" genetically regardless of the value of  $pHOS$ .) When  $pHOS = pNOB$ , then the hatchery and natural environments will have equal influence on the genetic

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<sup>3</sup> *Habitat, Harvest, Hydropower effects, Hatchery program effects.*

<sup>4</sup> *Parameter estimates used to generate the following tables have not all been verified and should be considered preliminary. However, their values are based on the best information available, and the general results presented in the following tables are not expected to change significantly as the parameter estimates are verified and updated.*

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constitutions of both hatchery and wild fish, and  $PNI = 0.5$ . For integrated hatchery populations and natural stocks, the goal is for  $PNI$  to be greater than 0.5 and as close to 1.0 as possible (e.g.,  $> 0.67$ ) as a long-term goal. Symbols on the  $PNI$  graph correspond with each of the current and alternative scenarios shown as bar graphs (see also the *Components of this Report* section for definitions of biological significance, population viability, habitat, and harvest ratings).

The outputs presented in Tables A1-A7 are intended to be viewed as part of an electronic report via a desktop computer where portions of the tables can be zoomed in and out for clarity. The Review Team acknowledges that they are difficult to read as printed paper copies.

The data files and specific version of AHA (V.7.2.4) used to generate the outputs in Tables A1-A7 are available upon request from the Chair of the Hatchery Review Team. Some familiarity with AHA is required, and expected, before implementing the software.

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Table A1. AHA output for spring Chinook in Wind River, including Carson NFH spring Chinook. See report for descriptions of Alternatives.

**All H Analyzer (AHA)**
Activate Scenario Documentation →

Version 7.2.4
July 31, 2007
Biological Significance: LOW
PNi: -
LOW
PNi: 1.00
LOW
PNi: -
LOW
PNi: -

Subregion/Subbasin		Species/Race	Population Management Intent:	Conservation of steelhead; support Segregated Hatchery; Terminal Harvest	Conservation of natural populations	Conservation of steelhead; support Segregated Hatchery; Terminal Harvest	Minimize impacts to native steelhead Segregated Hatchery; Terminal Harvest	Minimize impacts to native steelhead Segregated Hatchery; Terminal Harvest
Wind River, Columbia River Gorge		Spring Chinook	Harvest&Hatchery Strategy: Population Recovery Designation	Not listed: excluded from ESU	Not listed: excluded from ESU	Not listed: excluded from ESU	Not listed: excluded from ESU	Not listed: excluded from ESU

Carson NFH		Historic	Current	No Hatchery	Alternatives 1 + 5	Long-Term Goal (15+ years)	Goal + 33% term. Harvest	
Hab	Productivity (Adult)	Ad. Capacity	2.88	196	2.88	196	2.88	196
	Min NOR Escape	% Kelt	1	1	1	1	1	1
	Smolt Productivity	Sm. Capacity	152.5	10,376	152.46	10,376	152.46	10,376
Hydro	Ocean Surv	Baseline SAR	0.022	0.019	0.022	0.019	0.022	0.019
	Juv Passage Surv.	Adult Passage	0.90	0.97	0.90	0.97	0.90	0.97
	Adjusted Productivity	Adj. Capacity	2.88	196	2.88	196	2.88	196
Harv	Harv - Marine	NORs	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010	0.010
	Harv - L. Mainstem	HORs	0.075	0.075	0.075	0.075	0.075	0.075
	Harv - U. Mainstem	NORs	0.050	0.200	0.050	0.200	0.050	0.100
	Harv - Terminal	HORs	0.100	0.330	0.100	0.330	0.100	0.440
	Total Exploitation Rate	NORs	0.217	0.509	0.217	0.509	0.217	0.448

Hatch	Broodstock Composition		pNOB-Goal	pHOS-Goal	pNOB-Realized	pHOS-Realized
	Purpose	Type	Cons/Harv/Both	Int/Seg/Step/None	Harv	Seg
Broodstock by Source		Local	Imported	Smolt Release	822	1,172,259
Brood Exported (from HOR Surplus)		Export Goal/Realized	Strays	176	176	
Destination for HOR Returns		% to Hatchery	% to Nat. Spawn.	90%	10%	
Productivity of Hatchery Fish		Recruits/Spawner	Fitness? [Y / N]	9.0	y	

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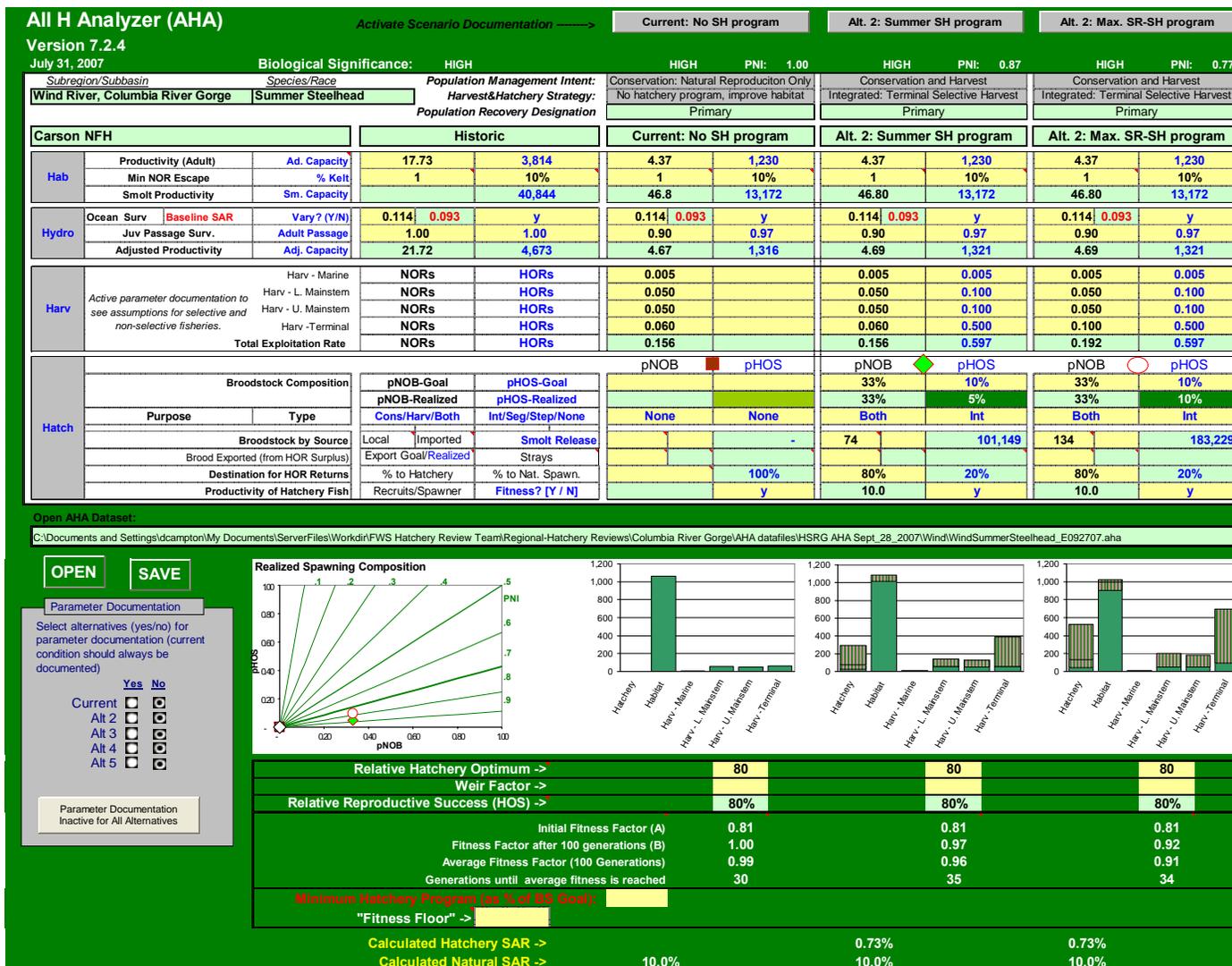
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Relative Hatchery Optimum ->	80	80	80	80	80
Weir Factor ->					
Relative Reproductive Success (HOS) ->	80%	80%	80%	80%	80%
Initial Fitness Factor (A)	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.81	0.81
Fitness Factor after 100 generations (B)	1.00	1.00	0.50	0.50	0.50
Average Fitness Factor (100 Generations)	0.50	0.99	0.50	0.50	0.50
Generations until average fitness is reached	13	30	13	13	13
Minimum Hatchery Program (as % of BS Goal):					
"Fitness Floor" ->	0.5				
Calculated Hatchery SAR ->	0.63%		0.63%	0.63%	0.63%
Calculated Natural SAR ->	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%	1.9%

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Appendix A – AHA Output

Table A2. AHA output for summer steelhead in Wind River, including an integrated hatchery program at Carson NFH. Two hatchery programs of different size (Alternative 2) are compared to the current “no program” scenario: (1) 100,000 smolt release that maintains pHOS ≤5%, and (2) the maximum-sized program (180,000) that maintains pHOS ≤ 10% and PNI > 0.67. The larger program reduces the number of natural-origin recruits.



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**Table A3. AHA output for fall Chinook in Wind River. The Review Team did not evaluate alternatives for the current management of fall Chinook in the Wind River.**

**All H Analyzer (AHA)**
Activate Scenario Documentation →
Current

Version 7.2.4
Biological Significance: **LOW**
MED
PNI: 1.00

July 31, 2007
Subregion/Subbasin: **Wind River, Columbia River Gorge**
Species/Race: **Fall Chinook**
Population Management Intent: **Conservation**

Harvest&Hatchery Strategy: **No direct hatchery releases; selective**
Population Recovery Designation: **Stabilizing**

Wind River Fall Chinook (Tule)		Historic		Current			
Hab	Productivity (Adult)	Ad. Capacity	7.67	1,549	4.54	692	
	Min NOR Escape	% Kelt	1		1		
	Smolt Productivity	Sm. Capacity		416,384	1,221.4	185,917	
Hydro	Ocean Surv	Baseline SAR	Vary? (Y/N)	0.004	0.004	y	
	Juv Passage Surv.	Adult Passage		1.00	1.00	0.85	0.98
	Adjusted Productivity	Adj. Capacity		9.20	1,859	4.54	692
Harv	Harv - Marine	NORs	HORS			0.310	
	Harv - L. Mainstem	NORs	HORS			0.050	
	Harv - U. Mainstem	NORs	HORS			0.215	
	Harv - Terminal	NORs	HORS			0.050	
	Total Exploitation Rate	NORs	HORS			0.511	

Hatch	Broodstock Composition		pNOB-Goal	pHOS-Goal	pNOB	pHOS
	Purpose	Type	pNOB-Realized	pHOS-Realized		
		Cons/Harv/Both	Int/Seg/Step/None	None	None	
Broodstock by Source		Local	Imported			
Brood Exported (from HOR Surplus)		Export Goal/Realized	Smolt Release			
Destination for HOR Returns		% to Hatchery	% to Nat. Spawn.		100%	
Productivity of Hatchery Fish		Recruits/Spawner	Fitness? [Y / N]	6.0	y	

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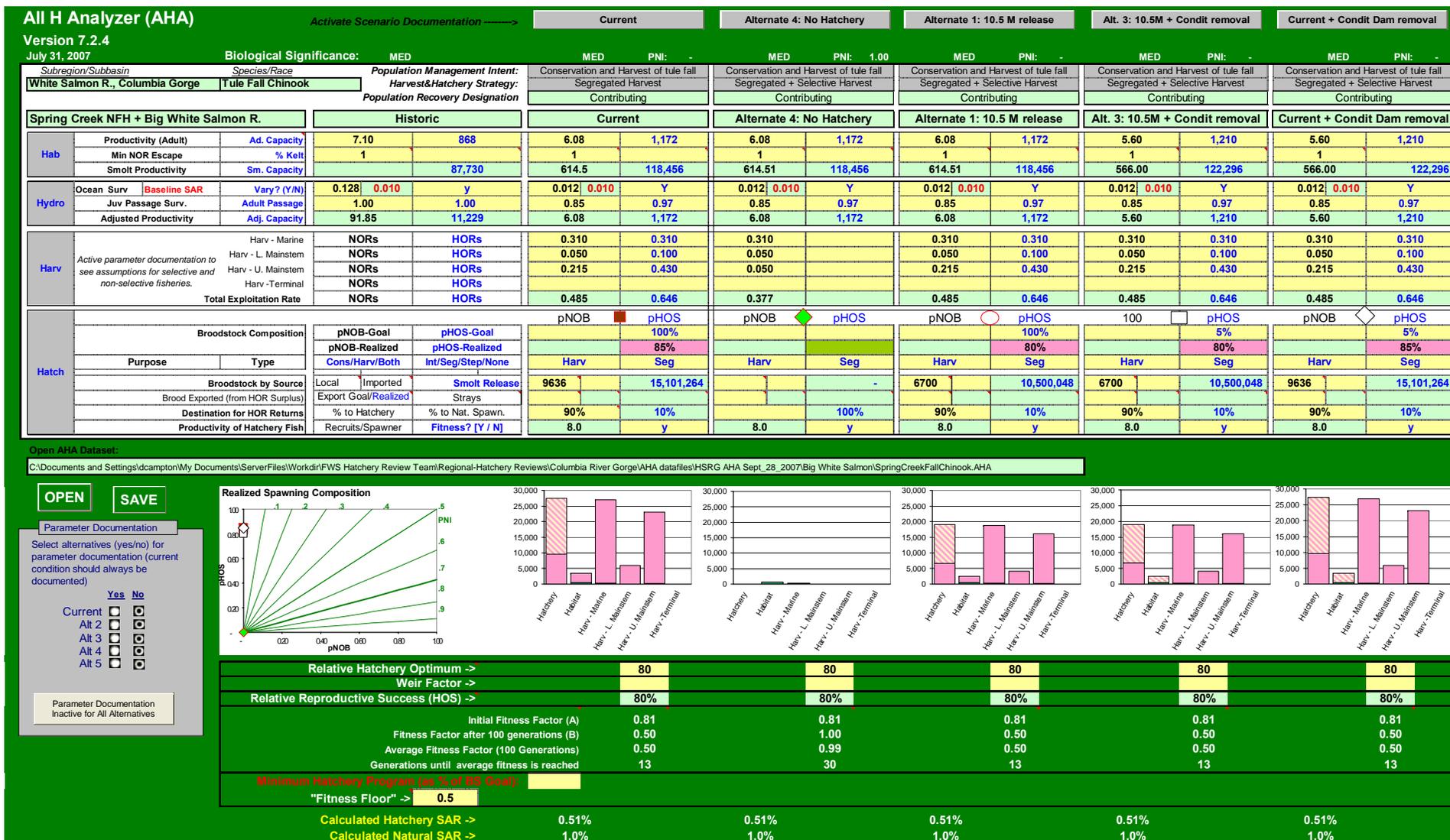
Realized Spawning Composition

Relative Hatchery Optimum ->	80
Weir Factor ->	
Relative Reproductive Success (HOS) ->	80%
Initial Fitness Factor (A)	0.81
Fitness Factor after 100 generations (B)	1.00
Average Fitness Factor (100 Generations)	0.99
Generations until average fitness is reached	30
Minimum Hatchery Program (as % of BS Goal):	
"Fitness Floor" ->	0.5
Calculated Hatchery SAR ->	0.40%
Calculated Natural SAR ->	0.4%

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Appendix A – AHA Output

Table A4. AHA output for tule fall Chinook at Spring Creek NFH and the Big White Salmon River. See report for descriptions of alternatives.



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**Table A5. AHA output for spring Chinook at Little White Salmon NFH. The current hatchery program transfers 250,000 yearlings to Walla Walla River, but these transfers are to be assumed by Carson NFH in 2008. Under Alternative 2, the current Carson-strain broodstock is replaced by the Klickitat River stock via a “stepping stone” program where approximately 20% of the broodstock is derived from the integrated Klickitat River stock each generation.**

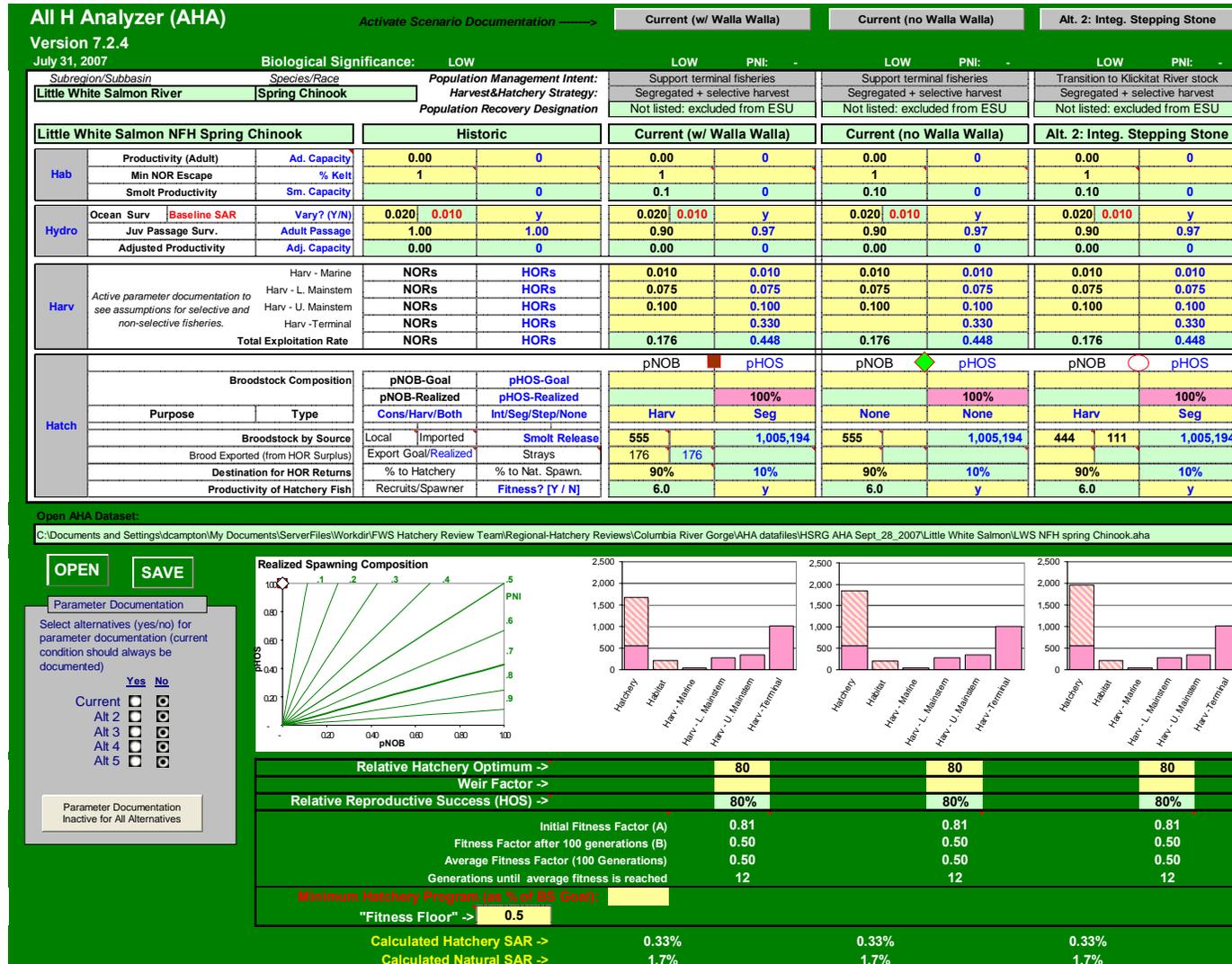
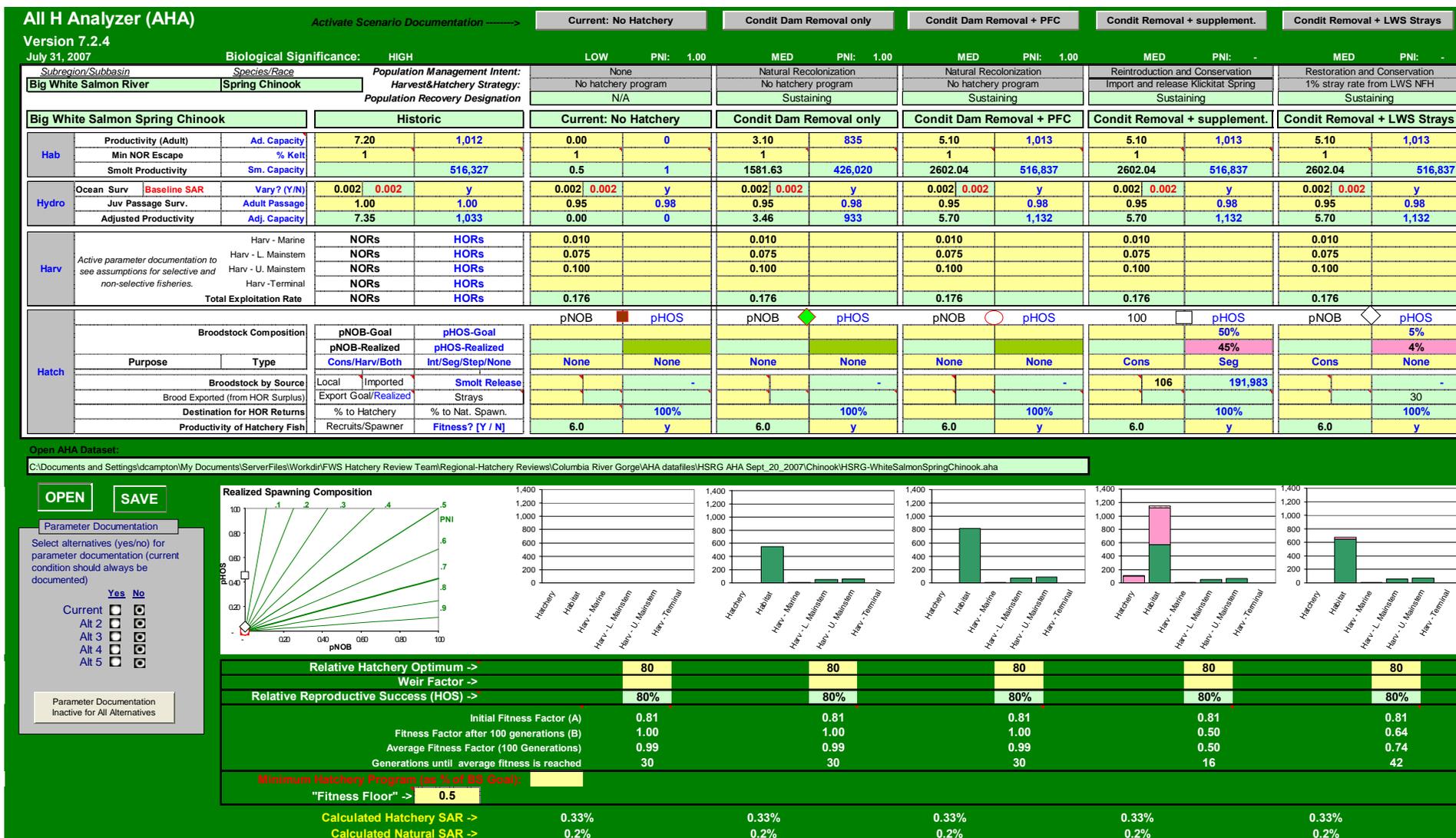


Table A6. AHA output for spring Chinook in the Big White Salmon River. The second and third scenarios after Condit Dam removal show habitat productivities and capacities before and after restoration of “properly functioning conditions” (PFC). The fourth scenario models supplementation outplanting of the Klickitat River stock, while the last (fifth) scenario models strays (1% stray rate assumption) from Little White Salmon NFH.



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Table A7. AHA output for upriver bright (URB) fall Chinook at Little White Salmon NFH and Little White Salmon River.

**All H Analyzer (AHA)**
Activate Scenario Documentation →

Current
75% program reduction

Version 7.2.4  
July 31, 2007

Biological Significance: **LOW**      **LOW**      PNI: -      **LOW**      PNI: -

<i>Subregion/Subbasin</i>	<i>Species/Race</i>	<i>Population Management Intent:</i>	
Little White Salmon River	URB Fall Chinook	Harvest&Hatchery Strategy:	
		Population Recovery Designation	

Little White Salmon NFH URB Fall Chinook		Historic		Current		75% program reduction			
<b>Hab</b>	Productivity (Adult)	Ad. Capacity	0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0	
	Min NOR Escape	% Kelt	1		1		1		
	Smolt Productivity	Sm. Capacity		0	0.1	0	0.10	0	
<b>Hydro</b>	Ocean Surv	Baseline SAR	Vary? (Y/N)	0.000	0.010	y	0.010	0.010	y
	Juv Passage Surv.	Adult Passage		1.00	1.00		0.85	0.98	
	Adjusted Productivity	Adj. Capacity		0.00	0	0.00	0	0.00	0
<b>Harv</b>	Harv - Marine		NORs	HORs		0.250		0.250	
	Harv - L. Mainstem		NORs	HORs		0.082		0.082	
	Harv - U. Mainstem		NORs	HORs		0.100		0.100	
	Harv - Terminal		NORs	HORs		0.250		0.250	
	Total Exploitation Rate		NORs	HORs		0.535		0.535	

<b>Hatch</b>	Broodstock Composition		pNOB-Goal	pHOS-Goal	pNOB	pHOS	pNOB	pHOS
	Purpose		pNOB-Realized	pHOS-Realized		100%		100%
	Type		Cons/Harv/Both	Int/Seg/Step/None	Harv	Seg	Harv	Seg
	Broodstock by Source		Local	Imported	Smolt Release			
	Brood Exported (from HOR Surplus)		Export Goal/Realized	Strays				
	Destination for HOR Returns		% to Hatchery	% to Nat. Spawn.				
Productivity of Hatchery Fish		Recruits/Spawner	Fitness? [Y / N]					

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**Realized Spawning Composition**

Relative Hatchery Optimum ->	80	80
Weir Factor ->	80	80
Relative Reproductive Success (HOS) ->	80%	80%
Initial Fitness Factor (A)	0.81	0.81
Fitness Factor after 100 generations (B)	0.50	0.50
Average Fitness Factor (100 Generations)	0.50	0.50
Generations until average fitness is reached	12	12
Minimum Hatchery Program (as % of BS Goal):	0.5	0.5
"Fitness Floor" ->	0.5	0.5
Calculated Hatchery SAR ->	0.48%	0.48%
Calculated Natural SAR ->	0.8%	0.8%



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