1. Grazing cattle can damage river banks and degrade water quality.
2. Runoff from fertilizers can degrade water quality.
3. Historic mill dams can affect the natural flow of rivers and prevent fish from migrating.
4. Traditional round culverts tend to hinder or totally block fish movement.
5. Non-native fish prey on juvenile migratory fish and disrupt the food chain.
6. Fish trapped below culverts can be easy prey for birds.
7. Fish may be legally harvested in other countries, here they are sold in a fish market.
8. Air pollution from factories and sewage treatment plants can degrade water quality.
9. Intake pipes can suck juvenile fish into the industrial plant’s cooling process.
10. Abandoned dams used during the log drive days continue to block fish migration.
11. Warming of rivers and oceans can impact fish survival.
12. Abandoned dams are also unsafe.
13. Undersized culverts also disrupt natural flow and sediment transfer.
14. A changing climate can alter oceanic currents vital to migratory fish.