

# 2018 Calendar of Events

## Columbia River Gorge National Fish Hatchery Complex

### **Carson NFH** (call for more information - 509-427-5905)

- March 28: 250,000 smolts transferred to the Walla Walla Basin
- April 10: 1,170,000 salmon smolts released directly into the Wind River
- April 24 - May 11: salmon fry being marked in Marking Trailers
- May 1: fish ladder opens
- July 18 - Adult fish injections
- August 8, 15 and 22: spring Chinook salmon spawning
- September 8: Kid's Fishing Day 8:00 am - 1:00 pm (no registration after 12:00 pm)

### **Eagle Creek NFH** (call for more information - 503-630-6270)

- January - March: winter steelhead return to the hatchery
- February: coho fry moved from incubators to the outdoor raceways
- early March: smolts are transferred to Yakama Nation and Nez Perce coho restoration programs
- March: Open House (call for exact date)
- early April: 350,000 coho smolts released into Eagle Creek
- June/July: marking and tagging trailer at the hatchery to tag coho fingerlings
- October: fish ladder open for coho salmon
- late October - mid-November: coho spawning

### **Little White Salmon NFH** (call for more information - 509-538-2755)

- April 12: spring Chinook salmon smolts released
- May 1: fish ladder opens
- June: fall Chinook salmon released
- August 14 and 21: spring Chinook salmon spawning
- September: fish ladder open for fall Chinook salmon
- mid-October - November: upriver bright fall Chinook spawning

### **Spring Creek NFH** (call for more information - 509-493-1730)

- April 9: salmon release- 8:00 am - 11:00 am
- May 7: salmon release - 8:00 am - 11:00 am
- August: 27: fish ladder open
- September 15 - 30: tule fall Chinook salmon spawning (call for exact days/times)
- September 22: Open House - 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

### **Warm Springs NFH** (call for more information 541-553-1692)

- January - February: Steelhead are possible returning passed up stream, eggs spawned last August are now feeding
- March-April: Bulk of steelhead arriving in ladder, passed upstream; young fish moving from nursery to raceways
- April-May: Yearlings released end of April; tagging and marking young of year. Spring Chinook begin to arrive!
- May-June: all fingerling marked and tagged and spread out, adult Spring Chinook still arriving
- July- August: Holding adult salmon until spawning, spawning spring Chinook salmon; feeding and cleaning juveniles
- September-October: Preparing for winter, working on salmon eggs, eggs hatching, feeding and cleaning juveniles, Coho begin to arrive
- November-December- Feeding and cleaning juveniles, initial tanking of new fry, passing Coho upstream

**Willard NFH** (call for more information - 509-538-2305)

- mid-March: transfer 40,000 coho to Methow River drainage for acclimation
- late-March: transfer 240,000 coho to Wenatchee River drainage for acclimation
- June - early July: marking and tagging upriver bright fall Chinook salmon
- early July: release 2 million upriver bright fall Chinook onsite into the Little White Salmon River
- September 18-22: marking and tagging coho salmon
- November - February: incubation of upriver bright fall Chinook eggs
- December - March: incubation of coho salmon