

CLEARWATER FISH HATCHERY

MONTHLY NARRATIVE

JANUARY 2010

BY09 SPRING CHINOOK

At month's end, all but the last lot of Powell stock had been ponded. A total of 1,479,906 Powell stock and 1,447,487 South Fork stock were ponded. Initial ponding mortality has been very low at 0.25%.

Inventory numbers at month's end were 1,474,622 Powell stock and 1,445,445 South Fork stock. They are averaging 847 fpp.

Water temperatures dropped to 42°F during the month.

BY09 SUMMER CHINOOK

At month's end, all Summer Chinook had been ponded. A total of 214,369 McCall stock were ponded. Initial ponding mortality has been very low at 0.21%.

Inventory numbers at month's end were 213,712. They are averaging 928 fpp.

PROJECTS

The crew has completed cleaning and disinfecting all egg trays in incubation. Three ladies from the marking crew helped a great deal in completing this project. Incubation is now being set up for Broodyear 2010 Steelhead.

BY08 CHINOOK

At month's end a total of 2,254,869 Chinook smolts were on hand. This includes 945K Powell stock averaging 19.2 fpp and 1,309K South Fork stock averaging 19.6 fpp.

Fish health remains excellent, and mortalities for the month remain extremely low. Water temperatures stayed right 43°F all month.

BY09 STEELHEAD

At month's end a total of 855,671 Steelhead averaging 5.8 fpp were on hand.

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MISC PROJECTS

*Rebuilt Red River floating weir panels.

*Clean-up and organization in "bone yard".

*Took three smolt trucks to Lewiston for annual inspection.

*Rebuilt and tested 8" fish pump.

*Repair and maintenance on alarms in residences.

* Annual NPDES permit and amendment on NOI adding Aquashade to chemical use list and increased Formalin use from 30 gallons to 50 gallons.

*Jerry McGehee attended annual Andromous meeting in Boise.

*Brad and Cassie attended Rainbow outplant meeting and big game meeting both in Lewiston at Nez Perce office.

*Jerry McGehee reviewing applications and resumes for hiring temporary employees (Hired 400th employee since July 1988-Chris Ball).

*Working on coordination and plans for Summer Chinook expansion project and SF Clearwater Brood stock experiment.