

Monthly Progress Report

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SUBJECT: Monthly Progress Report for July 2009

Fish Culture

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Captive Spring Chinook Parr

Current captive parr program summarized below. No stated goal for loss or survival rate.

Stock/Cohort	Number Collected (life stage)	Number On Hand	Cumulative Transfers and liberations	Mortality Current Month	Production Goal	% of Goal	Size	Meeting Goal? (Yes or No)
80Z08	162(alevin)	160	0	0	150	106%	106	Yes

- The staff has continued daily feeding, photo period adjustments and tank maintenance.
- 150 wild-bred juvenile Chinook will hopefully be collected from the Grand Ronde late next month.

Lostine River Spring Chinook

The Nez Perce Tribe has been transferring excess adult CHS from the Lostine River to the hatchery. Once a week the fish are worked and distributed to area food banks or NPT.

Imnaha River Spring Chinook

Hatchery jacks and adults in excess to program needs have been transferred to Wallowa Hatchery from the Imnaha acclimation facility through-out the month. These fish all have coded wire tags. Data and snouts were collected prior to weekly distribution to area food banks.

72T07 Rainbow Trout, 72T08 Rainbow Trout

The production goal for these fish was 40,000 fish at 3/lb to be released into Wallowa County lakes and ponds from April through August 2009; we did not have enough fish on hand to meet this goal.

Stock/Cohort	Number received (life stage)	Number On Hand	Cumulative Transfers and liberations	Mortality Current Month	Production Goal	% of Goal	Size	Meeting Goal? (Yes or No)
72 T 07 RBT	*3300 (legal)	3297	0	18	*3000	110%	2.6	Yes
72 T 08	500	294	0	90	60		42.5	Completed

*A new goal and number received have been placed in marked sections due to the transfer of these fish from fingerling production to trophy production.

- Fingerling liberations were completed this month.
- 3300 fingerlings were retained at the hatchery for grow out to trophy size.
- Four liberations released 5022 legal sized trout to Roulet Pond, Wallowa Wildlife Pond, Marr Pond and Wallowa Lake.
- The whirling disease test trout continue to eat well and show healthy activity levels. They are now on 1.2 mm feed. 60 fish were euthanized for pathology; the remainder will be grown out and added to next seasons' trout allotment upon receipt of these fish.

Fish health

- All fish on station are exhibiting healthy appearance and behaviors.

Fish Distributions

- 5022 legal size trout, stock 72T07 were stocked into lakes this month.
- 1063 CHS adults (stock 200) were received from the Lostine Weir and either buried, distributed to area food banks, or picked up by representatives of the Nez Perce Tribe.
- 232 CHS adults (stock 29) were received from the Imnaha Weir and distributed to area food banks.

Maintenance

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- Pressure washed outside of lower spring in preparation for concrete repairs.
- Removed shrubs from in front of the office.
- Repaired a leak in the upper spring line. A leak was evident due to water on the lawn, however; three water supply lines, all practically on top of one another, ran through this area. It was determined that over time, an old concrete repair migrated to the spring line and punctured the pipe line. All fish on the three water sources were moved while repairs were completed in case of damage to the other lines.

- Door locks were replaced on a large number of doors allowing us to go from 7 keys to 2.
- A screen was built for the back-up lower Spring Creek intake.
- Lawn maintenance, weed spraying, and other landscaping activities were performed throughout the month.
- Our hosts built two beautiful picnic tables.
- Pat built new flush gates for pond 4.
- The diesel tank from Big Canyon, transferred to the main hatchery a month or two ago, was installed at Wallowa.
- Pressure washing on ponds 3-5 was completed.
- Concrete repairs were performed on pond 4.

Big Canyon

- No activities this month.

Little Sheep

- No activities this month.

NPDES Waste Discharge Permit Monitoring

- July was not a sampling month of highest production. Water, flow, and pH samples were collected as required.
- The daily chemical use log was updated onto our monthly chemical use log as required.

Public Outreach

- The hatchery continues to be a popular spot to visit while vacationing in Wallowa County.

Miscellaneous

- Pat attended the TOT meeting.
- Chad attended the HRT meeting in La Grande as well as the regional awards selection meeting.

Personnel Status

- We were fully staffed this month.
- Travis Starmer of Wallowa High School continued as a summer intern.
- Jack and Mary Jane Clancy completed their two month hosting tenure this month. They did an excellent job and will always be welcome back.
- Jeremy spent the majority of the month working at the Imnaha Acclimation Facility.