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Subject: Biweekly report (March 11, 2016 - March 24, 2016)

Please find attached preliminary daily estimates of passage, 90% confidence intervals, and fork length ranges of unmarked juvenile salmonids sampled at Red Bluff Diversion Dam for the period March 11, 2016 through March 24, 2016. Race designation was assigned using length-at-date criteria.

This report also contains graphical displays of salmonid passage dating back to 2009 for comparison.

Please note that data contained in these reports is subject to revision as this data is preliminary and undergoing QA/QC procedures.

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact me at (530) 527-3043 ext 233.

Table 1.— Preliminary estimates of passage by brood-year (BY) and run for unmarked juvenile Chinook salmon and steelhead trout captured by rotary-screw traps at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391), Sacramento River, CA, for the dates listed below. Results include estimated passage, peak river discharge volume, water temperature, turbidity, and fork length (mm) range in parentheses. A dash (-) indicates that sampling was not conducted on that date.

Date	Discharge volume (cfs) ¹	Water temperature (°C)	Water turbidity (NTU)	Estimated passage				
				BY15 Winter	BY15 Spring	BY15 Fall	BY15 Late-Fall	BY16 RBT
3/11/2016	26,800	11.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/12/2016	32,100	10.4	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/13/2016	56,600	10.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/14/2016	47,500	11.0	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/15/2016	41,800	10.9	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/16/2016	21,600	11.5	65.0	0 (—)	13,579 (67 – 72)	78,817 (32 – 66)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/17/2016	16,700	12.5	49.4	507 (135)	31,428 (68 – 75)	137,454 (33 – 67)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/18/2016	13,800	12.6	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/19/2016	26,400	12.0	31.5	0 (—)	36,446 (68 – 82)	70,257 (30 – 67)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/20/2016	26,700	11.8	17.4	0 (—)	11,654 (69 – 77)	41,681 (26 – 67)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/21/2016	34,600	10.9	15.2	0 (—)	9,044 (69 – 76)	17,661 (32 – 68)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/22/2016	37,000	10.7	—	—	—	—	—	—
3/23/2016	32,000	10.8	18.7	0 (—)	391,941 (70 – 84)	1,180,687 (32 – 69)	0 (—)	0 (—)
3/24/2016	26,800	11.2	14.0	0 (—)	80,730 (71 – 79)	194,203 (33 – 70)	0 (—)	0 (—)
Biweekly Total ²				1,775	899,266	2,863,233	0	0
<i>Biweekly Lower 90% Confidence Interval</i>				-885	-512,351	-1,587,532	0	0
<i>Biweekly Upper 90% Confidence Interval</i>				4,434	2,310,882	7,313,998	0	0
Brood Year Total				336,451	989,911	20,914,341	67,826	2,284
<i>Brood year Lower 90% Confidence Interval</i>				236,979	-469,225	-1,539,159	42,111	-281
<i>Brood year Upper 90% Confidence Interval</i>				435,924	2,449,047	43,367,840	93,542	4,849

¹ Peak daily discharge values do not account for diversions at RBDD and only represent peak flows registered at the Bend Bridge Gauging station (<http://cdec2.water.ca.gov/cgi-progs/queryFx?bnd>).

² Biweekly totals may be greater than the sum of the daily estimates presented in this table if sampling was not conducted on each day of the biweekly period. A dash (-) denotes those dates. To estimate daily passage for days that were not sampled, we impute missed sample days with the weekly mean value of days sampled within the week.

Juvenile Winter Chinook Salmon Estimated Passage

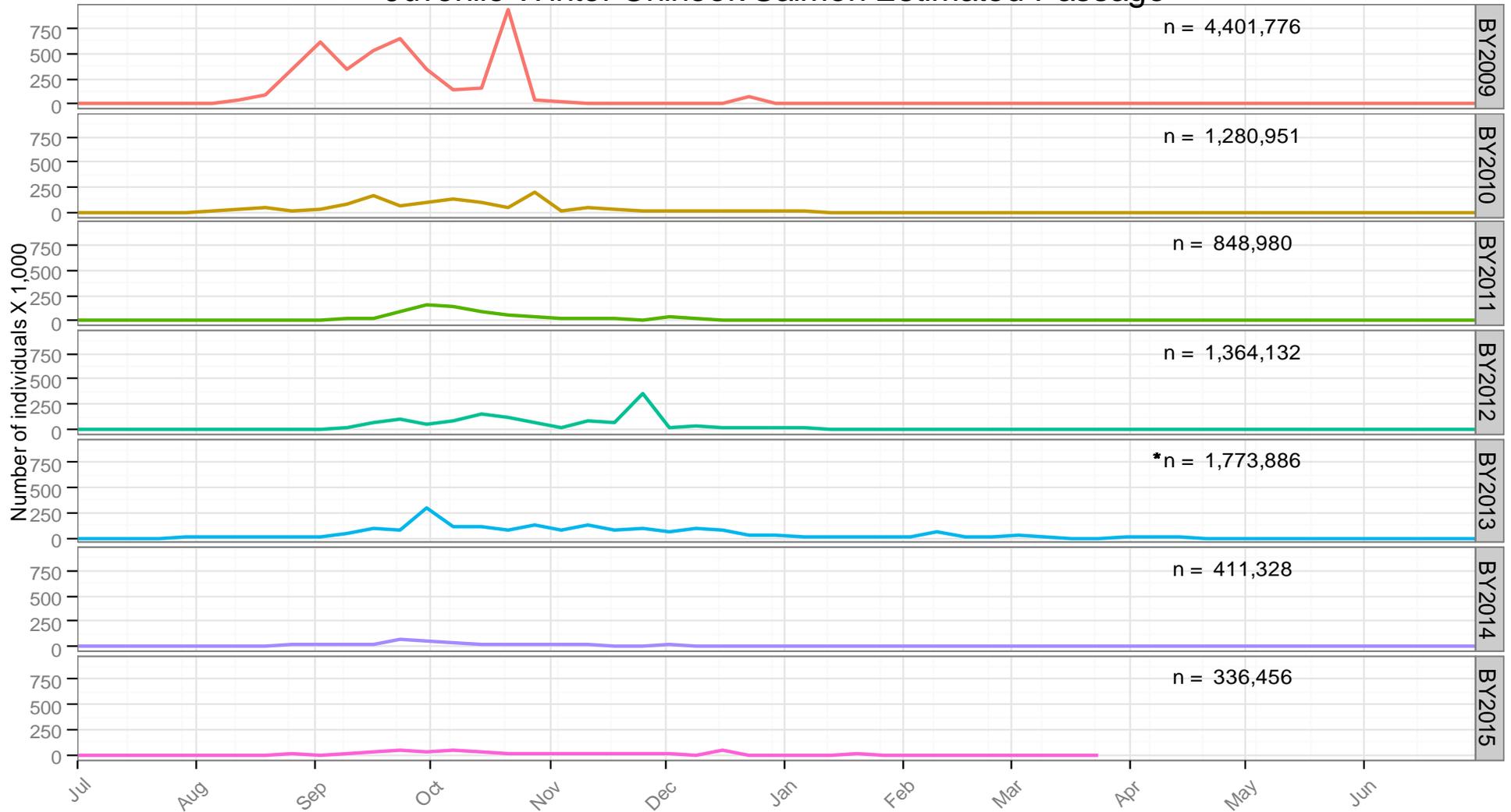


Figure 1. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile winter Chinook salmon at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by brood-year (BY). Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period July 1, 2009 to present .

*Winter run passage value interpolated using a monthly mean for the period October 1, 2013 - October 17, 2013 due to government shutdown .

Juvenile Spring Chinook Salmon Estimated Passage

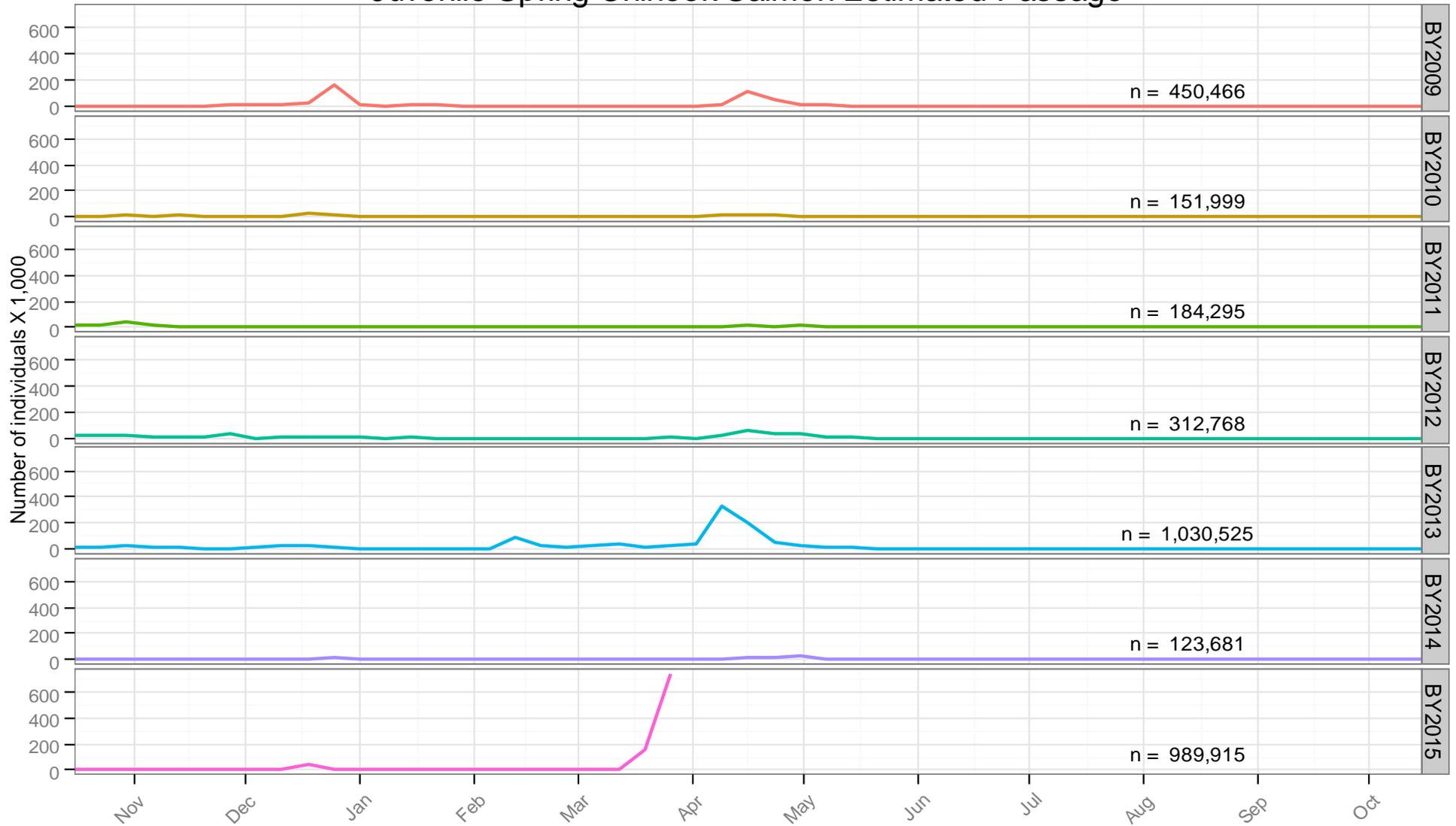


Figure 2. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile spring Chinook salmon at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by brood-year (BY). Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period October 16, 2009 to present .

Juvenile *Onchorhynchus mykiss* Estimated Passage

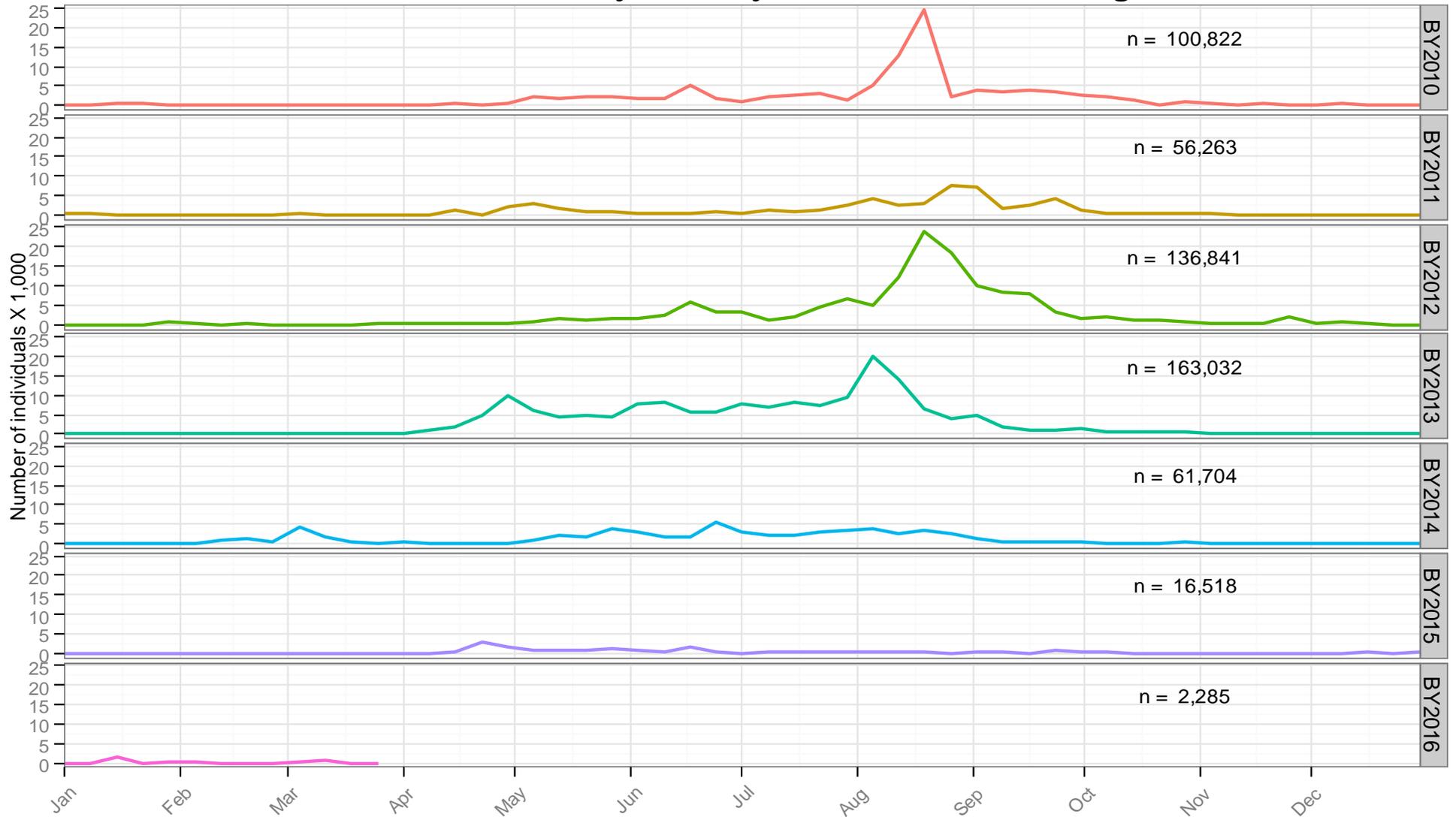


Figure 3. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile Rainbow/Steelhead trout at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by brood-year (BY). Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period January 1, 2010 to present .

Juvenile Fall Chinook Salmon Estimated Passage

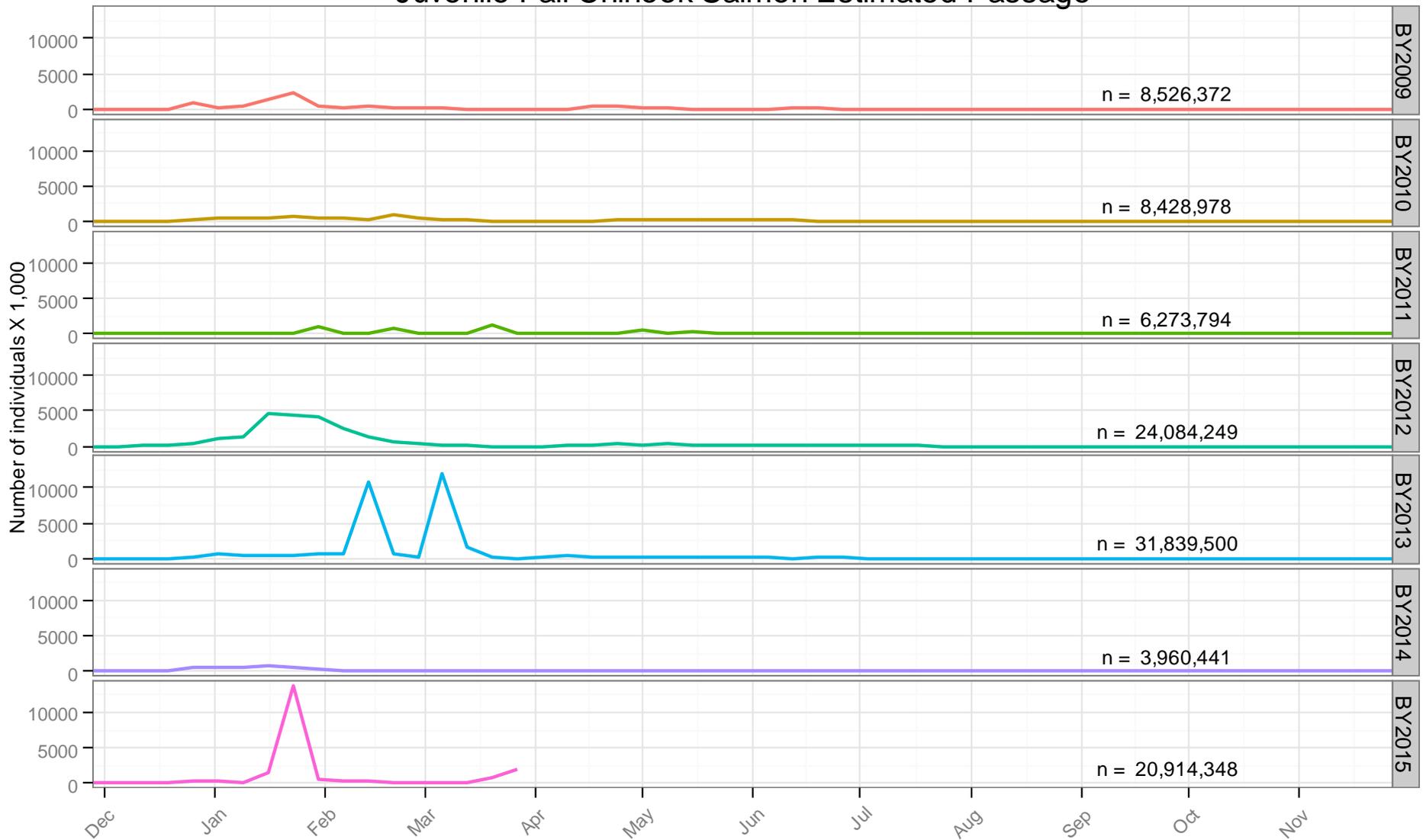


Figure 4. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile fall Chinook salmon at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by brood-year (BY). Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period December 1, 2009 to present .

Juvenile Late Fall Chinook Salmon Estimated Passage

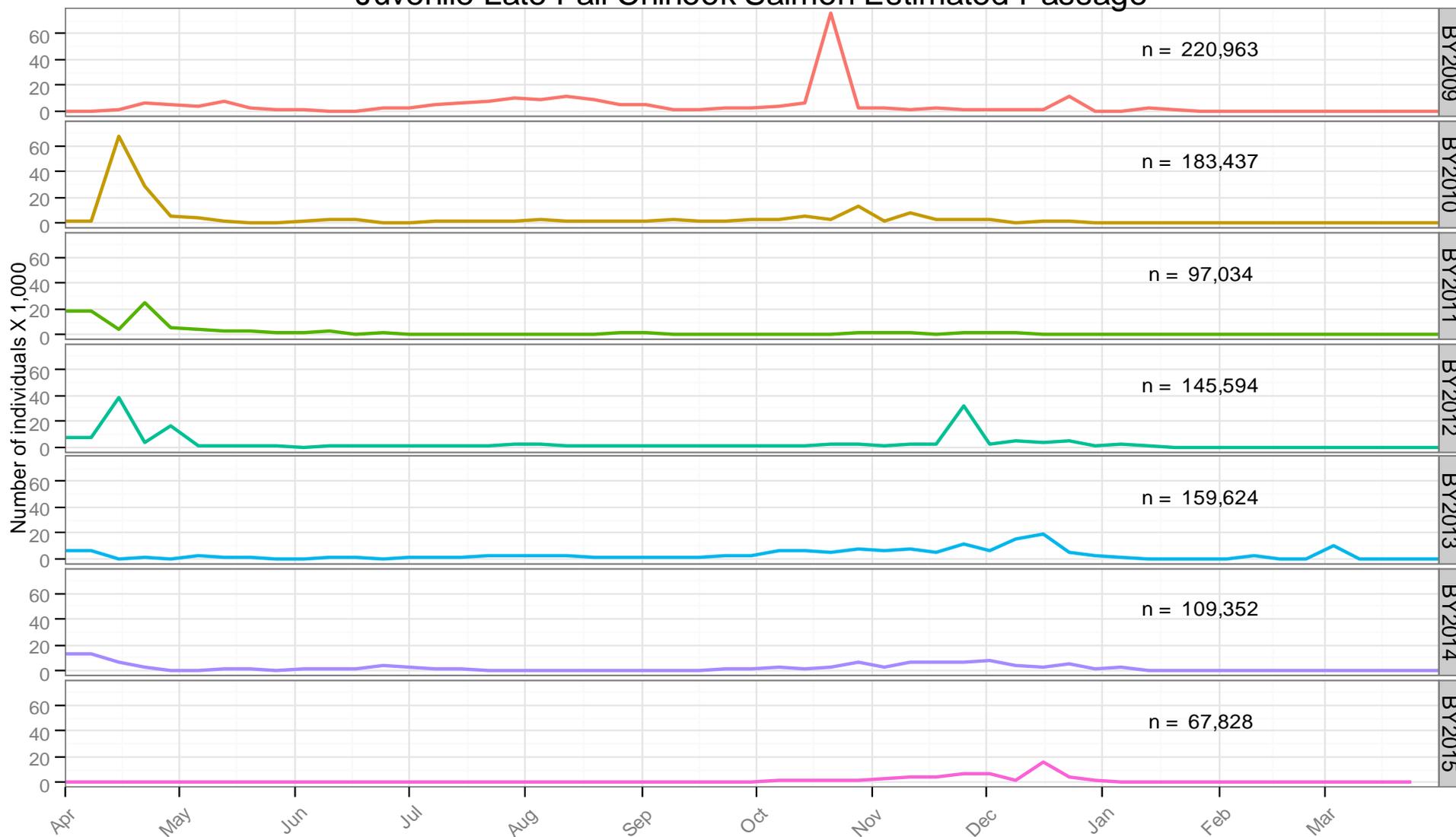


Figure 5. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile late fall Chinook salmon at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by brood-year (BY). Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period April 1, 2009 to present .

Weekly Estimated Chinook Passage at Red Bluff Diversion Dam - All Runs Combined

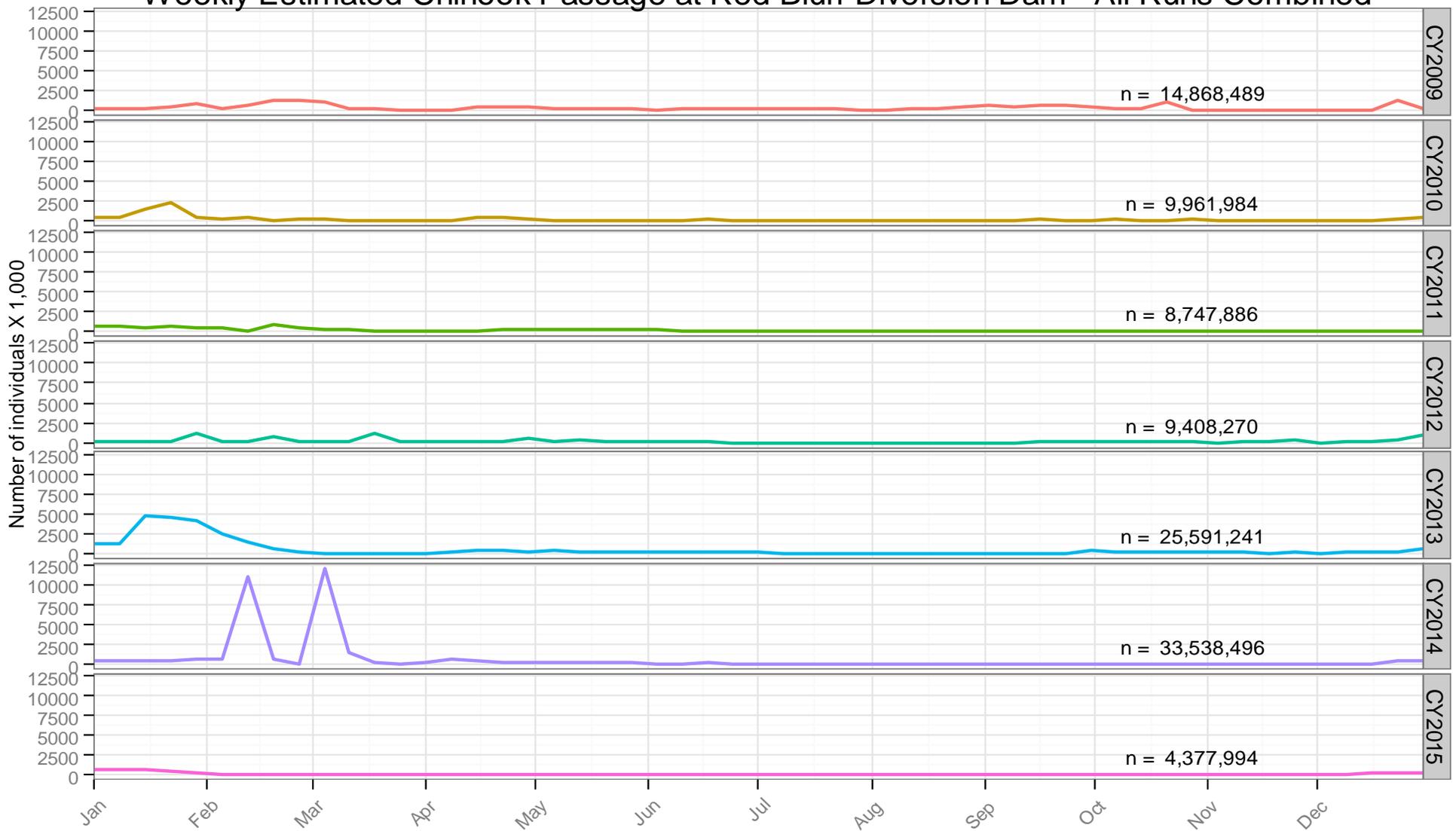


Figure 6. Weekly estimated passage of unmarked juvenile Chinook salmon at Red Bluff Diversion Dam (RK391) by calendar year. Fish were sampled using rotary-screw traps for the period January 1, 2009 to December 31, 2015