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Dear Bob-

The Fish Passage Center has been marking fish from the Lookingglass Fish Hatchery facility over the last several years as part of the Smolt Monitoring Program (SMP) and the Comparative Survival Study (CSS). For purposes of these studies data are collected on either juvenile life stage, or both the juvenile and adult life stages. The SMP provides information for in-season management of the hydrosystem and post-season analyses to the federal, state, and tribal fishery agencies. The CSS is a multi-year program that estimates survival rates over different life stages for spring and summer Chinook produced in major hatcheries. We would like to share with you some of the information we developed under these studies for the fish used from the Lookingglass Hatchery facilities (Imnaha and Catherine Creek Acclimation Ponds).

Under the Smolt Monitoring Program, information is collected on the timing and migration speed from the hatchery to Lower Granite Dam. In addition, as part of the CSS study, juvenile survival estimates are developed for the hydrosystem between Lower Granite and Bonneville Dams, as well as survival to adulthood of different passage histories.

Table 1. Imnaha Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook Travel Time to Lower Granite Dam

					Confidence Limits		Lower Granite	
Release	Migration	Travel Time (Days)			9	95%	Flow	Temp
Date	Year	Min	Med	Max	Lower	Upper	(kcfs)	(F)
Apr-7	1997	9.1	28.1	79.7	27.9	28.7	144.1	51.9
Apr-6	1998	8.3	26.2	60.8	26	26.3	70.5	51.8
3/16, 4/05	1999	5.1	54.7	175.6	54.4	54.9	98	49.4
22-Mar	2000	15.7	42.8	66.3	42.5	43.1	82.1	50
21-Mar	2001	8.8	42.1	93	41.7	42.2	36.8	47.1
21-Mar	2002	8.2	45.2	66	44.9	45.4	27.9	
1-Apr	2003	7.2	34.6	76.6	34.5	34.7	28	
26-Mar	2004	9.9	38.5	84.4	38.5	38.6	23.6	
3/26, 3/29	2005	9.3	36.1	78.7	35.9	36.3		
3/21, 3/30	2006	6.3	40.6	74.2	40.2	41	44	
3/21, 3/31	2007	17.0	41.3	103.5	41.2	41.4	49.6	
25-Mar	2008	17.4	43.8	163	43.7	43.9	54.2	49.7

Table 2. Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook Travel Time to Lower Granite Dam

					Confiden	ce Limits	Lower Granite	
Release	Migration	Travel Time (Days)			95	%	Flow	Temp
Date	Year	Min	Med	Max	Lower	Upper	(kcfs)	(F)
4/2	2001	13.6	42.4	98.9	42.3	42.5	41.7	47.7
4/1-4/02	2002	9.3	45.6	82.9	45.4	45.9	27.7	
3/12, 3/23, 3/31	2003	3	41.2	90.9	40.9	41.9	28.8	
3/15, 3/30	2004	10.3	46.3	117.1	45.6	46.6	23.8	
3/14, 4/04	2005	15.9	43.9	85.7	43.7	44.3		
27-Mar	2006	13.6	42.4	98.9	42.3	42.5	41.7	47.7
26-Mar	2007	24.9	44.8	74.1	44.5	45.2	53.0	
24-Mar	2008	17.1	48.4	104.9	48.1	48.6	56.4	49.7

The above tables provide estimates of minimum, median, and maximum travel times from release to Lower Granite Dam for the Imnaha Acclimation Pond (Table 1) and Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond (Table 2) releases. These tables also provide the 95% confidence limits around the estimated median travel times.

The tables below contain estimates calculated in the CSS study of juvenile survival in the hydrosystem between Lower Granite and Bonneville Dams and survival to adulthood of juvenile salmonids released from Imnaha Acclimation Pond (Table 3) and Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond (Table 4) in several categories. Those categories are: SAR(T), $SAR(C_0)$, and Weighted $SAR_{LGR-to-LGR}$, where SAR(T) represents smolts transported from Lower Granite, Little Goose, or Lower Monumental Dam, $SAR(C_0)$ represents smolts migrating in river, and $SAR_{LGR-to-LGR}$ is a weighted estimate that is obtained by taking the proportion of the total population of smolts (tagged and untagged) at Lower Granite Dam in each study category and multiplying by the respective study category's $SAR_{LGR-to-LGR}$. In effect, the weighted $SAR_{LGR-to-LGR}$ is the estimated SAR for the overall hatchery release. The data presented in Tables 3 and 4 were taken from the Draft 2008 CSS Annual Report, which can be downloaded from the FPC webpage (http://www.fpc.org/documents/CSS.html).

Table 3. Imnaha Acclimation Pond - Spring Chinook Survival

		Juvenile	Adult Survival				
Release	Migration	Survival	Proportion	T/C	SAR(T)	$SAR(C_0)$	Weighted SAR _{LGR-to-LGR}
Date	Year	LGR-BON	Transported	Ratio		%	
Apr-7	1997	0.31	0.515	1.36	1.16	0.86	0.98
Apr-6	1998	0.53	0.848	1.55	0.85	0.55	0.81
3/16, 4/05	1999	0.54	0.777	1.89	2.69	1.43	2.41
22-Mar	2000	0.57	0.686	1.29	3.11	2.41	2.89
21-Mar	2001	0.37	0.976	10.8	0.62	0.06^{B}	0.61
21-Mar	2002	0.50	0.662	1.75	0.80	0.45	0.68
1-Apr	2003	0.70	0.549	1.21	0.58	0.48	0.53
26-Mar	2004	0.56	0.887	1.64	0.38	0.23	0.36
3/26, 3/29	2005	0.58	0.856	1.77	0.28	0.16 ^C	0.27
3/21, 3/30	2006 ^A	0.50	0.725	0.70	0.97	1.43	1.07

^A Migration year 2006 is incomplete with Age 2-salt adult returns through 8/13/2008

^B Assumed SAR(C₀) same as SAR(C₁) for 2001

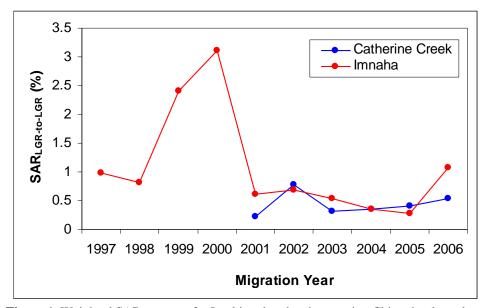
^C In-river SAR is combination of groups C₁ and C₀

Table 4. Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond - Spring Chinook Survival

	Juvenile	Adult Survival					
Release Date	Migration Year	Survival LGR-BON	Proportion Transported	T/C Ratio	SAR(T)	SAR(C ₀)	Weighted SAR _{LGR-to-LGR}
4/2	2001	0.25	0.964	5.33	0.23	0.04^{B}	0.22
4/1-4/02	2002	0.65	0.706	1.81	0.89	0.49	0.77
3/12, 3/23, 3/31	2003	0.62	0.550	1.45	0.36	0.25	0.31
3/15, 3/30	2004	0.48	0.896	1.94	0.38	0.20	0.36
3/14, 4/04	2005	0.51	0.862	2.48	0.44	0.18 ^C	0.40
27-Mar	2006 ^A	0.48	0.682	0.45	0.41	0.92	0.54

A Migration year 2006 is incomplete with Age 2-salt adult returns through 8/13/2008 B Assumed SAR(C₀) same as SAR(C₁) for 2001

Figure 1 below is a time series of the Weighted SAR_{LGR-to-LGR} over the years of available data for Lookingglass Hatchery spring Chinook released at the Imnaha Acclimation Pond and Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond.

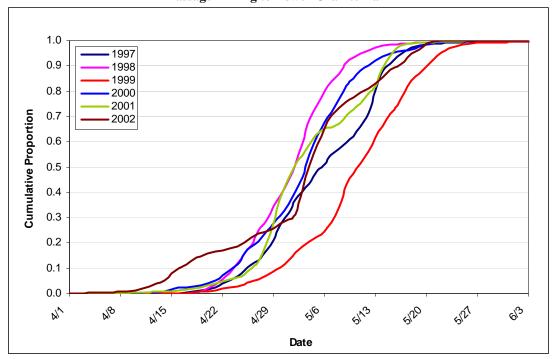


 $\textbf{Figure 1.} \ \ Weighted \ \ SAR_{LGR-to-LGR} \ for \ \ Looking glass \ hatchery \ spring \ Chinook \ released$ from Imnaha Acclimation Pond (1997-2006) and Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond (2001-2006)

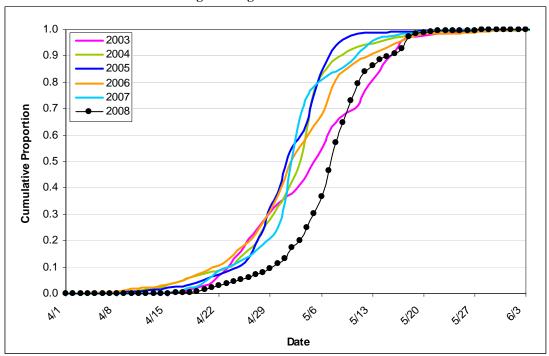
Finally, we are providing figures to illustrate passage timing of Lookingglass Hatchery spring Chinook to Lower Granite Dam for the past several years. To better facilitate comparison, we have broken the years into two separate graphs for each of the release sites. Please note the different scales on the x-axis between the two release sites.

C In-river SAR is combination of groups C₁ and C₀

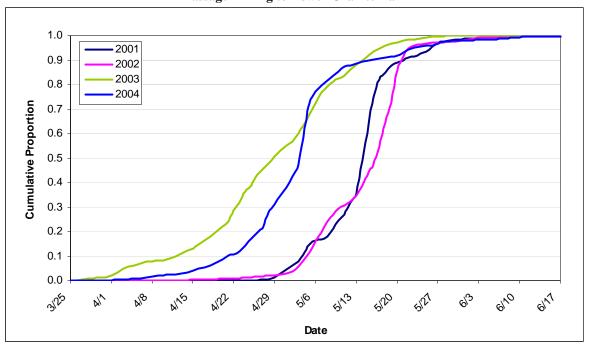
Imnaha Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook (1997-2002) Passage Timing to Lower Granite Dam



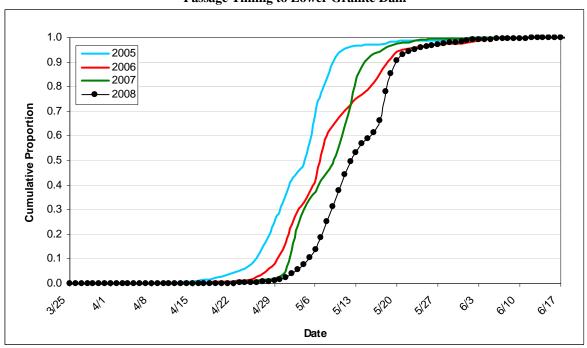
Imnaha Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook (2003-2008)
Passage Timing to Lower Granite Dam



Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook (2001-2004) Passage Timing to Lower Granite Dam



Catherine Creek Acclimation Pond – Spring Chinook (2005-2008)
Passage Timing to Lower Granite Dam



We hope that the information we have provided regarding the use and application of information from the marked groups at the hatchery over the last several years is of some use to you. If you would like any additional information regarding these releases please feel free to contact us.

Sincerely,

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