



Pacific Northwest Salmon Recovery Improved Salmon Runs Across the Northwest Near -Record Returns in Many Areas

Salmon runs across the Pacific Northwest have shown marked improvement over the past several years. Substantial progress made to restore salmon habitat through cooperative, locally-driven projects, more effective use of hatcheries through reforms, state-of-the-art technological upgrades to hydroelectric facilities to maximize salmon passage and survival, and improved ocean conditions have all contributed to near-record salmon runs in many areas. President Bush recognizes that the Northwest can enjoy both strong salmon runs and clean and efficient hydroelectric power. Across the Northwest, the Administration has delivered on the pledge for increased salmon recovery funding and has worked collaboratively with our state and tribal partners, local volunteers and non-profit groups, and the citizens of the Pacific Northwest to ensure that we continue to rebuild healthy salmon runs.

Current Status of Select Pacific Northwest ESA-Listed Salmon Stocks

Stock	2000 Returns	2001/2002 Returns ¹	% Increase
<i>Upper Columbia River Steelhead</i>	7,796	20,837 (2001)	167
<i>Upper Columbia River Spring-run Chinook</i>	1,577	14,794 (2001)	838
<i>Mid-Columbia River Steelhead</i>	19,885	31,066 (2002)	56
<i>Snake River Fall Chinook</i>	2,458	8,718 (2001)	255
<i>Snake River Spring/Summer Chinook</i>	2,707	9,882 (2001)	265
<i>Snake River Basin Steelhead</i>	115,161	259,145 (2001)	125
<i>Columbia River Chum</i>	1,403	20,000 (2002)	1326
<i>Puget Sound Chinook</i>	38,846	55,246 (2002)	42
<i>Oregon Coast Coho</i> ²	66,096	264,316 (2002)	300

¹ Figures for 2002 returns are not yet available for some stocks

² Oregon Coast Coho figures include only naturally spawning adults