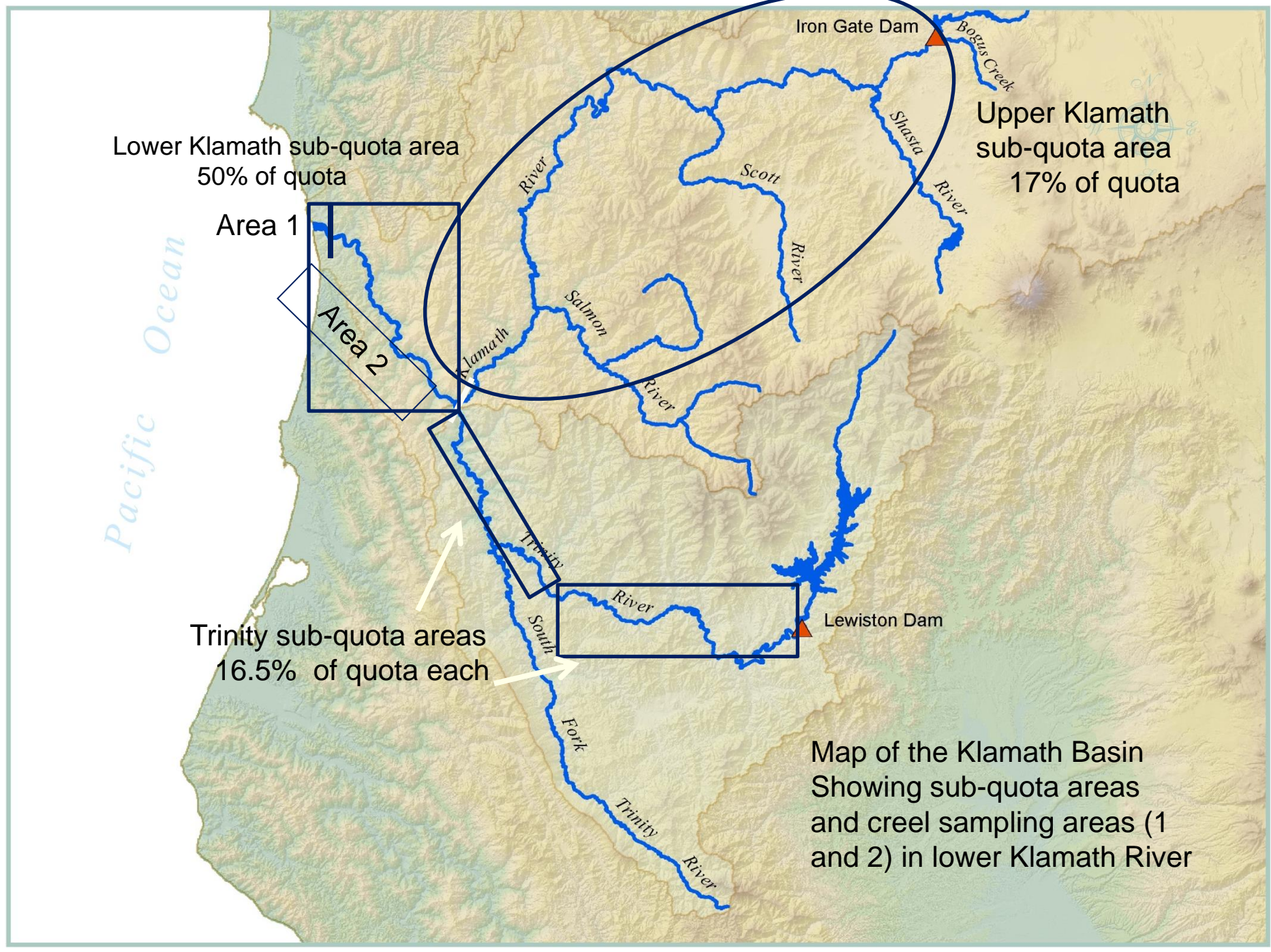


2020 Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing Regulatory Options



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Lower Klamath sub-quota area
50% of quota

Upper Klamath
sub-quota area
17% of quota

Area 1

Area 2

Trinity sub-quota areas
16.5% of quota each

Map of the Klamath Basin
Showing sub-quota areas
and creel sampling areas (1
and 2) in lower Klamath River

Pacific Fisheries Management Council

- The PFMC establishes harvest allocations and natural spawning escapement goals for Klamath fall-run Chinook Salmon
- The PFMC will recommend the 2020 Klamath River recreational fishery allocation in April 2020
- Klamath Basin quota allocation typically conforms to PFMC recommendations (minimum of 15% of non-tribal allocation)
- DFW determines bag and possession limits based on quota

2019 Klamath River Basin Sport Fishing Regulations

- Klamath River Basin quota: 7,636 fish > 22 inches
- Daily bag limit: 3 fish, no more than 2 adults > 22 inches
- Possession limit: 9 fish, no more than 6 adults > 22 inches
- Season: Aug. 15 – Dec. 31 (Klamath River)
- Season: Sept. 1 – Dec. 31 (Trinity River)

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- Klamath River Basin quota range: 0-67,600 fish > 22 inches
- Bag limit range: 0-4 fish > 22 inches
- Possession limit range: 0-12 fish > 22 inches
- Season: Aug. 15 – Dec. 31 (Klamath River)
- Season: Sept. 1 – Dec. 31 (Trinity River)

New Proposed Regulation Change

- **Affected Water:** Trinity River mainstem
- **Affected Species:** Brown Trout
- **Proposal:** Increase allowable harvest to 10 fish daily bag / 20 fish possession limit
- **Justification:** Allow for increased harvest of non-native trout

