# FINAL State Water Project Incidental Take Permit Risk Assessment for Winter-run and Spring-run Chinook Salmon

Section 1: Overview Date: 1/16/2024

Life Stages Present:

Winter-run Chinook salmon (juvenile) Winter-run Chinook salmon (adult) Spring-run Chinook salmon (juvenile)

Advice to the Water Operations Management Team (WOMT): No advice is warranted.

For the week beginning 1/16/24, the SWP ITP's COA 8.4.2 Larval and Juvenile Longfin Smelt Entrainment Protection (OMRI -3,500 cfs) is controlling exports at the State Water Project (SWP). The Proposed Action (PA) 4.10.5.10.1 (Onset of OMR Management) is controlling exports at the Central Valley Project (CVP). Combined exports on 1/16/24 are 5,400 cfs resulting in an Old and Middle River Index (OMRI) of -4,300 cfs and 24.6% of inflow diverted (14-day average). The Delta Cross Channel (DCC) gates closed on 11/27/23 and will remain closed for the OMR season. The SWP is exporting this week and no outages are planned.

SaMT estimates an overall medium risk of entrainment into the central Delta for juvenile natural-origin winter-run Chinook salmon (WR). Alternate routes into the central Delta, including Georgiana Slough, are estimating low entrainment risk this week. However, due to the increased fish observed in salvage the previous week and 35-45% of WR estimated in the Delta, SaMT estimates WR entrainment into the central Delta at medium risk this week. SaMT estimates an overall low risk of juvenile natural-origin young-of-year spring-run Chinook salmon (SR) entrainment into the central Delta. SR juveniles are beginning their migration downstream and although current hydrology is expected to decrease entrainment into Georgiana Slough and other alternative routes, SaMT estimates SR entrainment into the central Delta at medium risk this week due to SR being observed in salvage and anticipated movement due to the storm events that have occurred.

SaMT estimates an overall high risk of entrainment of juvenile WR into the export facilities this week. Salvage of WR is likely due to WR movement into the Delta and hydrology this week. Although, there have still been no genetically confirmed natural-origin WR observed in salvage this season, movement of SR is likely, especially with OMRI estimated to remain around -4,000 cfs to -5,000 cfs for the remainder of the week. SaMT estimates an overall high risk of entrainment for SR into the export facilities. YOY SR have not been observed in salvage this season; however, multiple genetically confirmed yearling spring-run Chinook salmon have been observed in salvage. Due to hydrology and recent salvage events, yearling SR are estimated to continue to be at risk of entrainment; therefore, entrainment risk is estimated as high this week.

Length-at-date (LAD) older juvenile Chinook salmon were salvaged at the SWP and CVP on 1/9/24, 1/11/24, 1/14/24, and 1/15/24, which initially counted towards the daily loss threshold for COA 8.6.3. Genetics confirmed that the older juveniles were non-WR, so COA 8.6.3 was offramped. SaMT estimates that it is likely that COA 8.6.3 Mid- and Late-season Natural Winter-run Chinook Salmon Daily Loss Threshold will be triggered this upcoming week.

#### Section 2: Risk Assessment

#### Section 2-A: Operations and Fish Distribution Table

The WY 2023 Interim Operations Agreement (IOP) was extended into WY 2024 until the WY 2024 IOP is finalized. Due to the ITP amendment on 12/22/23 of COA 8.6.3 Mid- and Late-season Natural Winter-run Chinook Salmon Daily Loss Threshold, Reclamation will not be adhering to the WY 2024 COA 8.6.3 SWP ITP amendment but rather will operate to the WY 2023 COA 8.6.3 SWP ITP amendment.

**Table 1.** Current Juvenile Fish Distribution. The SaMT group agreed to provide distribution estimates in five percent increments when feasible.

Location	Yet to Enter Delta	In the Delta	Exited the Delta
Young-of-year	Current 55-65%	Current 35-45%	Current 0%
winter-run Chinook salmon	Last week 60-70%	Last Week 30-40%	Last Week 0%
Young-of-year	Current 70-85%	Current 15-30%	Current 0%
spring-run Chinook salmon	Last week 75-85%	Last Week 15-25%	Last Week 0%
Hatchery origin	Current 80-95%	Current 5-20%	Current 0%
winter-run Chinook salmon	Last week 100%	Last Week 0%	Last Week 0%

#### Section 2-B: Sacramento River and Confluence

Assessment of risk of entrainment into the central Delta for WR and SR in the Sacramento River: (8.1.5.1 C ii, iii, iv and 8.1.5.1 B iii)

• Exposure Risk:

o WR: Medium

o SR: Low

Routing Risk:

o WR: Low

o SR: Low

Overall Entrainment Risk:

WR: MediumSR: Medium

- Change in risk of entrainment into the central Delta (increased/decreased risk compared to last week):
  - WR: Increased from previous week
    - Exposure Risk is estimated as medium this week. SaMT estimates WR presence in the Delta is medium (35-45%). WR are actively migrating downstream and being observed in real-time monitoring sites in the Delta. Routing Risk is estimated as low for WR this week. Freeport flows are at 18,000 cfs, the DCC gates are closed for the season and although routing is still estimated at 23% through Georgiana Slough, the Georgiana BAFF is assumed to decrease entrainment for juveniles. However, due to increased presence of WR in the Delta and expected increase in presence this upcoming week due to hydrology, the overall entrainment risk into the central Delta is estimated to increase to medium this week.
  - SR: Increased from previous week
    - Exposure Risk is estimated as low this week. SR are beginning to actively migrate into the Delta according to real-time monitoring stations (15-30%). Routing Risk is also low this week. Freeport flows are at 18,000 cfs and DCC gates are closed. Although the

STARS model predicts routing at 23% through Georgiana Slough, the Georgiana BAFF is assumed to decrease entrainment for juveniles. However, due to SR movement into the Delta this week based on hydrology and seasonal timing, the overall entrainment into the central Delta is estimated as medium this week.

#### Section 2-C: Facilities Risk

Central Valley Project/State Water Project (CVP/SWP) facilities entrainment risk for WR and SR in the central Delta over the next week (8.1.5.1 D iii, iv, v)

- Exposure Risk:
  - o WR: Low
  - o SR: High
- Reporting OMR/Export Risk:
  - o Baseline OMR (-4,300 cfs)
    - WR: Medium
    - SR: Medium
  - Scenario 1 OMR: (-4,000 cfs)
    - WR: Medium
    - SR: Medium
  - Scenario 2 OMR: (-5,100 cfs)
    - WR: High
    - SR: High
- Overall Entrainment Risk:
  - o WR: High
  - o SR: High
- Change in risk of entrainment into the facilities (increased/decreased risk compared to last week):
  - WR: Increased from previous week
    - Exposure Risk is low this week due to no genetically confirmed WR salvage occurring so far for WY 2024. Reporting OMR/Export Risk this week has increased this week. Although OMRI is expected to be no more negative than -5,100 cfs, high salvage of LAD SR and WR is still occurring. SaMT anticipates that salvage of WR this week is likely due to high presence of WR observed in the real-time monitoring sites in the Delta and in salvage the previous week; therefore, entrainment risk has increased to high this week.
  - SR: Increased from previous week
    - Exposure Risk is high due to two yearling SR observed in salvage on 1/11/24. Reporting OMR/Export Risk this week has increased due to increased salvage still occurring even at OMRI values of no more negative than -5,000 cfs. Young-of-year SR are not expected to be near the export facilities due to seasonal timing; however, real-time monitoring stations in the Delta have observed high numbers of YOY SR, which increases the likelihood that YOY SR entrainment could occur at the export facilities this week. Due to yearling SR being observed in salvage and the possibility of YOY SR being observed in salvage in the upcoming week, the overall entrainment risk into the facilities is estimated as high this week.

#### Section 2-D: Annual Loss Threshold Risk

Annual loss threshold risk and Alternative Actions (8.1.5.1. E I, ii, iii and 8.1.5.1 F I, ii)

- Loss at the SWP and CVP facilities compared to the estimated remaining population in the Delta and upstream of the Delta: Salvage of California Endangered Species Act (CESA)-listed Chinook salmon has not occurred.
  - Define risk of hitting a threshold, 50%, or 75%, or 100%, and likelihood of exceeding a threshold:
    - Natural-origin WR: 2,748.28 [1.17% of the natural-origin WR Juvenile Production Estimate (JPE)]
      - Current Annual Loss: 25.96
      - 50% Threshold based on natural-origin WR JPE: 1,374.14
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low
      - o 75% Threshold based on natural-origin WR JPE: 2,061.21
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low
      - o 100% Threshold based on natural-origin WR JPE: 2,748.28
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low
    - Hatchery WR: 232.30 [0.12% of the Livingston Stone National Fish Hatchery (LSNFH) hatchery release JPE]
      - Current Annual Loss: 0
      - o 50% Threshold based on hatchery WR JPE: 116.15
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low
      - o 75% Threshold based on hatchery WR JPE: 174.23
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low
      - o 100% Threshold based on hatchery WR JPE: 232.30
        - Risk of exceeding threshold: Low

#### Section 2-E: Daily Loss Threshold Risk

- Daily loss threshold risk and Alternative Actions
  - Loss at the SWP and CVP facilities compared to estimated remaining population in Delta and upstream of the Delta:
    - Daily loss thresholds and subsequent loss and associated operations:
      - COA 8.6.3 Mid- and Late-season Natural Winter-run Chinook Salmon Daily Loss Threshold:
        - January 1 January 31: 0.0000124 \* 234,896 = 2.91
        - February 1 February 28: 0.0000231 \* 234,896 = 5.43
        - March 1 March 31: 0.000372 \* 234,896 = 8.74
        - o April 1 April 30: 0.0000226 \* 234,896 = 5.31
        - $\circ$  May 1 May 31: 0.0000226 \* 0 = 0
        - Highest LAD Older Juvenile Daily Loss: 25.97
        - o Highest Genetic WR Daily Loss: 0
          - Risk of exceeding threshold: High

#### Section 3: Basis for Advice

The 2020 <u>Incidental Take Permit for Long-Term Operation of the State Water Project in the Sacramento-San Joaquin Delta 2081-2019-066-00</u> (SWP ITP) states that advice to Water Operations Management Team (WOMT) shall be consistent with the Project Description, COA in the ITP, and the applicable ESA authorizations. This week's advice is based on the following COAs which are currently applicable:

List relevant COA number and title based on species/life stage, time of year, etc.:

8.1.4 Collaborative Approach to Real-time Risk Assessment. Beginning no later than October 1 through the end of OMR Management (see Condition of Approval 8.8) the Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams shall meet weekly, or more often as required, to consider survey data, salvage data, and other pertinent biotic and abiotic factors and prepare risk assessments as described in Conditions of Approval 8.1.1, 8.1.2, 8.1.5.1 and 8.1.5.2.

The Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams shall prepare operations advice for the WOMT as required by Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, 8.6.4, 8.7, and 8.8, including advice on operations. The Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams shall each prepare risk assessments and operations advice. Within each team, staff jointly develop the risk assessment and supporting documentation to accompany operations advice (see Conditions of Approval 8.1.5.1 and 8.1.5.2). DWR and CDFW Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Team staff may conclude different operations advice is warranted, in which case the difference shall be noted and elevated as described in this Condition of Approval.

The Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams shall communicate their advice to WOMT. The WOMT shall then confer and attempt to reach a resolution and agreed-upon Project operations. If a resolution is reached, Permittee shall operate consistent with the decision regarding Project operations from WOMT. If the WOMT does not reach a resolution, the CDFW Director may require Permittee to implement an operational recommendation provided by CDFW. CDFW will provide its operational decision to Permittee in writing. Permittee shall implement the operational decision required by CDFW. Permittee shall ensure that its proportional share (see Condition of Approval 8.10) of the OMR flow requirement as a part of the operational decision is satisfied.

- 8.1.5 Real-time Risk Assessments. The Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams (Conditions of Approval 8.1.1 and 8.1.2) shall prepare weekly risk assessments, or more often as required, and operations advice (as required by Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, 8.6.4, and 8.7) during their discussions and analyses. The Smelt and Salmon Monitoring Teams shall provide the risk assessments and pertinent supporting information to the WOMT (Condition of Approval 8.1.3) within one business day of each meeting.
- 8.6.1 Winter-run Single-year Loss Threshold. In each year, Permittee shall, in coordination with Reclamation, operate the Project to avoid exceeding the following single-year loss thresholds:
  - Natural WR (loss = 1.17% of natural WR JPE)
  - Hatchery WR (loss = 0.12% of hatchery WR JPE)

The loss threshold and loss tracking for hatchery WR does not include releases into Battle Creek.

Loss of WR at the CVP and SWP salvage facilities shall be calculated based on LAD criteria for run assignment.

Annual loss of natural and hatchery WR at the CVP and SWP salvage facilities shall be counted cumulatively beginning November 1 each calendar year through June 30 the following calendar year.

WR shall be identified based on the Delta Model LAD criteria. Loss shall be calculated for the South Delta Export Facilities using the 2018 CDFW loss equation (Attachment 6).

During the water year, if cumulative loss of natural or hatchery WR exceeds 50% of the annual loss threshold, Permittee shall restrict south Delta exports to maintain a 14-day average OMR index no more negative than -3,500 cfs through the end of OMR Management (see Condition of Approval 8.8). After 14 days of operations to maintain an OMR index no more negative than -3,500 cfs, Permittee may convene the Salmon Monitoring Team to conduct a risk assessment (Condition of Approval 8.1.5.1) and determine whether the risk of entrainment and loss of natural and hatchery WR is no longer present. Risks shall be measured against the

potential to exceed the next single-year loss threshold. The results of this risk assessment and associated OMR advice shall be provided to WOMT according to Condition of Approval 8.1.3 and the decision-making process shall follow the process described in Condition of Approval 8.1.4.

The -3,500 cfs OMR flow operational criteria, adjusted and informed by this risk assessment, shall remain in effect until the end of OMR Management (Condition of Approval 8.8).

During the water year, if cumulative loss of natural or hatchery WR at the CVP and SWP salvage facilities exceeds 75% of the single-year loss threshold, Permittee shall restrict OMR to a 14-day moving average OMR flow index that is no more negative than -2,500 cfs through the end of OMR Management (Condition of Approval 8.7). After 14 days Permittee may convene the Salmon Monitoring Team to conduct a risk assessment (Condition of Approval 8.1.5.1) and determine whether the risk of entrainment and take of natural and hatchery WR is no longer present. The results of this risk assessment and associated OMR advice shall be provided to WOMT according to Condition of Approval 8.1.3 and the decision-making process shall follow the process described in Condition of Approval 8.1.4.

The -2,500 cfs OMR flow operational criteria adjusted and informed by this risk assessment shall remain in effect until the end of OMR Management (Condition of Approval 8.8).

During the water year, if natural or hatchery WR cumulative loss at the CVP and SWP salvage facilities exceeds the single-year loss threshold, Permittee shall immediately convene the Salmon Monitoring Team to review recent fish distribution information and operations and provide advice regarding future planned Project operations to minimize subsequent loss during that year. The Salmon Monitoring Team shall report the results of this review and advice to the WOMT (see Condition of Approval 8.1.3). Operational decisions shall be made following the process described in Condition of Approval 8.1.4 (Collaborative Real Time Risk Assessment).

If the single-year loss threshold is exceeded, Permittee and Reclamation shall also convene an independent panel to review Project operations and the single-year loss threshold prior to November 1, as described in Condition of Approval 8.2. The purpose of the independent panel is to review the actions and decisions contributing to the loss trajectory that lead to an exceedance of the single-year loss threshold, and make recommendations on modifications to Project implementation, or additional actions to be conducted to stay within the single-year loss threshold in subsequent years.

Permittee shall, in coordination with Reclamation, continue monitoring and reporting salvage at the CVP and SWP salvage facilities. Permittee and Reclamation shall continue the release and monitoring of yearling Coleman National Fish Hatchery (NFH) late fall-run and yearling SR surrogates. The Salmon Monitoring Team shall use reported real-time salvage counts along with qualitative and quantitative tools to inform risk assessments (see Condition of Approval 8.1.5.1).

8.3.2 Salmonid Presence. After January 1 each year, if Conditions of Approval 8.3.1 or 8.3.3 have not already been triggered, the OMR Management season shall begin when the Salmon Monitoring Team first estimates that 5% of the CHNWR or CHNSR population is in the Delta whichever is sooner. Upon initiation of the OMR Management season, Permittee shall reduce exports to achieve, and shall maintain a 14-day average OMR index no more negative than -5,000 cfs, until the OMR Management season ends (see Condition of Approval 8.8). In the event that a salmon daily or single-year loss threshold is exceeded (Conditions of Approval 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, or 8.6.4) prior to the start of OMR Management season the requirements in those Conditions shall control operations.

- 8.6.3 Mid- and Late-season Natural Winter-run Chinook Salmon Daily Loss Threshold. The ITP is amended as follows (amended language in bold italics; deleted language in strikethrough): To minimize entrainment, salvage, and take of natural CHNWR during the peak and end of their migration through the Delta. Permittee shall restrict south Delta exports for five days to achieve a five-day average OMR index no more negative than -3,500 cfs when daily loss of natural older juveniles at the SWP and CVP salvage facilities exceeds the following thresholds based on the JPE reported in January of the same calendar year:
  - January 1 January 31: 0.00635 0.00124% of the CHNWR JPE
  - February 1 February 28: 0.00991 0.00231% of the CHNWR JPE
  - March 1 March 31: 0.0146 0.00372% of the CHNWR JPE
  - April 1 April 30: <del>0.00507</del> **0.00226**% of the CHNWR JPE
  - May 1 May 31: <del>0.0077</del> >**0**% of the CHNWR JPE

All natural older juvenile Chinook salmon juveniles shall be identified based on the Delta Model length-at-date criteria. Loss shall be calculated for the South Delta Export Facilities using the equation provided in CDFW 2018 (Attachment 6). This Condition of Approval may be modified through the process described in Condition of Approval 8.6.6 and an amendment to this ITP.

For the time this Amendment is in effect, Permittee shall restrict exports in response to the initial length-atdate identification of natural older juvenile Chinook salmon and the thresholds described above. If genetic analysis of an individual natural older juvenile Chinook salmon observed in salvage at the SWP or CVP indicates that it is not CHNWR, that individual shall not count toward the daily loss threshold and continued export restrictions under this Condition of Approval are not required if the daily loss threshold has consequently not been met. All genetic analyses shall be conducted using CDFW-approved genetic methods.

- 8.7 OMR Flexibility During Delta Excess Conditions. Permittee may increase exports to capture peak flows in the Delta during storm-related events (hereafter OMR flex) when:
  - The Delta is in excess conditions,<sup>22</sup> AND
  - QWEST is greater than 0, AND
  - A measurable precipitation event has occurred in the Central Valley, AND
  - Permittee, in coordination with Reclamation, determines that the Delta outflow index indicates a higher level of outflow available for diversion due to peakstorm flows, AND
  - None of the following Conditions of Approval are controlling Project operations: 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4, AND
    Risk assessments conducted by the Salmon and Smelt Monitoring Teams (Conditions of Approval 8.1.5.1 and 8.1.5.2) indicate that an OMR more negative than -5,000 cfs is not likely to trigger an additional real-time OMR restriction (Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4), AND
  - Cumulative salvage at the CVP and SWP facilities of yearling Coleman NFH late fall-run Chinook salmon (as yearling CHNSR surrogates) is less than 0.5% within any of the release groups, AND
  - Risk assessments conducted by the Salmon and Smelt Monitoring Teams determines that no changes in spawning, rearing, foraging, sheltering, or migration behavior as a result of OMR Flex

operations beyond those anticipated to occur through operations described in Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4 are likely to occur.

If none of the restrictions listed above apply, Permittee may increase south Delta exports but shall manage Project operations to achieve a five-day average OMR index no more negative than -6,250 cfs. The decision to operate under this Condition of Approval shall be made following the process described in Condition of Approval 8.1.4 (Collaborative Real Time Risk Assessment), and SWP OMR flex is subject to approval by CDFW.

If, during OMR flex operations, any of the following conditions occurs, Permittee shall reduce south Delta exports to achieve a 14-day average OMR index no more negative than -5,000 cfs, unless a further reduction in exports is required by another Condition of Approval. The more positive OMR index shall be achieved within 48 hours of the occurrence of the condition, and the 14-day moving average shall apply from that point forward.

- Risk assessments conducted by the Salmon and Smelt Monitoring Teams (Conditions of Approval 8.1.5.1 and 8.5.1.2) indicate that an OMR more negative than -5,000 cfs is likely to trigger an additional real-time OMR restriction (Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4), OR
- Cumulative salvage at the CVP and SWP facilities of yearling Coleman NFH late fall-run Chinook salmon (as yearling CHNSR surrogates) exceeds 0.5% within any of the release groups, OR
- A risk assessment conducted by the Salmon or Smelt Monitoring Teams identifies changes in spawning, rearing, foraging, sheltering, or migration behavior as a result of OMR Flex operations beyond those anticipated to occur through operations described in Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4, OR
- Operational restrictions described in Conditions of Approval 8.3.1, 8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2, 8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1, 8.6.2, 8.6.3, 8.6.4, and 8.17 are required.

#### Section 4: Hydrology and Operations

Assessment of hydrologic, operational, and meteorological information. 8.1.5.1 A

Section 4-A: Water Operations, Water Operations Outlook, and Projected Conditions C 8.1.5.1 A. i, iii, iii:

- Antecedent Actions: (e.g., Actions such as integrated early winter pulse protection, etc.)
  - o N/A
- Water Temperature (ITP COA 8.8 threshold: daily average water temperature exceeds 22.2°C for 7 non-consecutive days in June):
  - Mossdale (MSD): Mossdale CDEC
    - Number of days threshold exceeded: Not applicable until June.
    - Days exceeded: N/A
  - Prisoners Point (PPT): <u>Prisoners Point CDEC</u>
    - Number of days threshold exceeded: Not applicable until June.
    - Days exceeded: N/A
- Tidal Cycle: (Spring/Neap. Note if tidal cycle has potential to affect south Delta hydrology or X2)
  - Exiting a neap cycle with a first quarter moon on 1/17/24 and entering into a spring cycle with a full moon on 1/25/24.
- Turbidity: Not discussed
- Salinity (X2): 75 km on 1/16/24
- Outages:
  - SWP: None projected
  - CVP: None projected
- Exports: 1/16/24 1/22/24
  - o SWP: 2,000 to 3,500 cfs
  - o CVP: 3,600 to 4,200 cfs
- Meteorological Forecast:
  - "Rain and high elevation snow returns today and lingers into Wednesday. Ridging brings a return of dry weather for Thursday and most of Friday before precipitation chances return later in the day."
  - NOAA National Weather Service Forecast
- Weather/Storm Event Projection:
  - Storm total Saturday through Monday is showing 1-3 inches in the Central Valley, and 2-6 inches in the foothills and mountains. Snow levels remain above 6000 feet during this period with several feet of snow expected at the higher elevations.
  - These rain events are not likely to trigger COA 8.7 OMR Flexibility During Delta Conditions.
  - Expected OMR flows may become more negative than -3,000 to -5,000 cfs for the next week.
     Under OMR flows more negative than -5,000 cfs, SaMT expects impacts to rearing, foraging, sheltering, or migration of salmonids present in the south Delta.
- DCC Gates position:
  - o DCC gates closed on 11/27/23 and will remain closed for the OMR management season.
- Sacramento River flow at Freeport: 18,000 cfs
  - o Freeport flows are expected to peak this week at 20,000 cfs.
  - o Sacramento River Flows CDEC
- San Joaquin River flow at Vernalis: 1,800 cfs
  - Vernalis flows anticipated to peak at 2,000 cfs this week.
  - o San Joaquin River Flows CDEC

- o San Joaquin River Guidance Plots CDEC
- QWEST: +1,500 cfs
  - QWEST is expected to remain positive this week with the potential to increase to +5,000 cfs depending on storm events.
- Future export modifications: Describe anticipated or potential changes to exports:
  - Exports are anticipated to remain similar to last week in order to keep the SWP's proportional share of OMRI no more negative than -3,500 cfs.

**Table 2.** Comparison of USGS Tidally Filtered OMR and OMR Index data.

Date	Averaging Period	USGS gauges (cfs)	OMR Index (cfs)
1/13/24	Daily	-5,300	-5,000
1/13/24	5-day	-5,000	-5,000
1/13/24	14-day	-5,200	-5,200
1/15/24	Daily	Not Applicable	-4,200
1/15/24	5-day	Not Applicable	-4,700
1/15/24	14-day	Not Applicable	-4,800

#### Section 5: Distribution and Biology

8.1.5.1.B Assessment of biological information for WR and SR.

#### Section 5-A: WR Population Status 8.1.5.1.B i

- Adult escapement estimate:
  - o Final spawning escapement for WR adults contributing to brood year (BY) 2023 is 2,427 adults.
  - Escapement estimate for adults contributing to BY 2023 was low at only 41% of the previous 20-year average.
- Redd distribution and fry emergence timing:
  - o Juvenile WR are migrating downstream into the Delta.
  - Estimated juvenile WR passage at Red Bluff Diversion Dam for 12/31/23 is 1,064,813 fish, which represents 96.7% of historical passage. Average historic passage (7/1/2002-6/30/2023) as of 12/31/23 indicates 96.7% with one standard deviation of 3.5% have passed Red Bluff Diversion Dam.
- Juvenile Production Estimate (JPE):
  - WR JPE PWT distributed the Final JPE letter on 1/12/24.
- Livingston Stone National Fish Hatchery (LSNFH) releases:
  - o On 12/28/23, LSNFH released 150,654 winter-run Chinook salmon into the Sacramento River.
  - See Appendix 4
- Distribution of natural WR:
  - See Table 1
- Distribution of LSNFH Sacramento River WR and Battle Creek WR:
  - The fish released on 12/28/23 were not acoustically tagged; therefore, will not be found on CalFishTrack. LSNFH made an early release this year due to excess winter-run juveniles; therefore, the WR released on 12/28/23 were released prior to being acoustically tagged.
  - CalFishTrack Central Valley Enhanced Acoustic Tagging Project

#### Section 5-B: SR Population Status 8.1.5.1.B ii

- Adult escapement estimate:
  - SR carcass counts not available.
  - Adult SR have completed their spawning.
- Redd distribution and fry emergence timing:
  - Based on the real-time monitoring stations in the Delta and at RBDD RST, fry are emerging and migrating into the Delta.
- Hatchery release (in-river and downstream):
  - Coleman National Fish Hatchery (CNFH) have begun releasing yearling spring-run Chinook salmon surrogates (late fall-run Chinook salmon) for COA 8.7 OMR Flexibility During Delta Excess Conditions. The first release occurred on 12/22/23, 4 days after the late fall-run production release. The second release occurred on 12/29/23. The third release occurred on 1/11/24.
  - See Appendix 4
- Distribution of natural SR:
  - o See Table 1
- Distribution of Feather River Fish Hatchery SR:
  - Not applicable at this time.

## Section 5-C: Additional Data Sources to Assess Sensitivity to Entrainment into the Central and South Delta 8.1.5.1.C & D

Acoustic telemetry: Summary of acoustic telemetry tracking

- DWR acoustically tagged LFR for a study on the newly installed Georgiana BAFF. These fish are currently being tracked on CalFishTrack but additional data and information will be distributed to SaMT once the data becomes available.
- <u>CalFishTrack (noaa.gov)</u>
- Trawls: See Appendix 1
  - Sacramento Trawl: Data was not received prior to SaMT meeting.
  - o Mossdale Trawl: Data was not received prior to SaMT meeting.
  - o Chipps Island Trawl: Data was not received prior to SaMT meeting.
- Rotary Screw Traps:
  - Knights Landing, Tisdale and Lower Sacramento RST Data: SR and WR were caught at the Knights Landing, Lower Sacramento, and Tisdale RST between 1/9/24 – 1/13/24.
    - Middle Sacramento River Salmon and Steelhead Monitoring
  - o Lower Feather RST Data: No listed salmonids were caught this week.
  - Yuba River RST Data: Data was not received prior to the SaMT meeting.
  - Red Bluff Diversion Dam RST Data: Total passage estimates 1,064,813 juvenile WR have passed RBDD. Last updated on 1/9/24.
  - o Butte Creek RST Data: Data was not received prior to SaMT meeting.
    - Butte Creek Monitoring Programs
- Seines:
  - Sacramento River Beach Seines: Data was not received prior to SaMT meeting.
- Carcass Survey Data:
  - Lower American River Carcass Survey Data:
    - The American River Power Bypass proposal decreased river temperatures down to a weekly average below 56°F. The power bypass officially ended on 12/10/23.
    - Fall-run Carcass Surveys began on 10/16/23 on the Lower American River. No update this week due to data not being received prior to SaMT meeting.
- Additional hatchery release notifications: List all relevant hatchery release notifications.
  - Coleman National Fish Hatchery (CNFH) released the first SR surrogates (late fall-run Chinook salmon) on 12/22/23. CNFH released the second SR surrogates (late fall-run Chinook salmon) on 12/29/23. CNFH released the third and final SR surrogates (late fall-run Chinook salmon) on 1/11/24. All of these releases will be tracked for COA 8.7 OMR Flexibility During Delta Excess Conditions.
  - See Appendix 4
- New monitoring (as required by Condition of Approval 7.5.1, 7.5.2, and 7.5.3): *Upstream monitoring results during transfer window, additional rotary screw trap monitoring updates, additional acoustic tag study results, genetic identification results, trap capture efficiency trial results, and pathology results if available and relevant.* 
  - An acoustic tag study is being conducted near Georgiana Slough for the newly installed Georgiana BAFF. Late fall-run Chinook salmon have been tagged and released and can be tracked on CalFishTrack (link below). DWR will provide updates once data is collected.
  - CalFishTrack (noaa.gov)
- Anticipated emigration to continue into the Delta:
  - O WR are moving into the Delta in high numbers according to real-time monitoring stations and observations in salvage, which is likely due to current hydrology in the Sacramento River and seasonal timing. SR have also begun emigrating into the Delta according to young-of-year SR observations in the real-time monitoring sites. Both WR and SR are likely to have increased movement throughout this week due to the rain events that have occurred.

- SacPAS Migration Timing and Conditions by Cohort
- SacPAS Salvage Timing
- Routing and Survival Analysis:
  - Delta STARS Model: See Table 6 in Appendix 1
    - STARS Model
- Tillotson entrainment model or other entrainment models as they become available:
  - The entrainment tool estimates a median of 0 WR and a maximum loss of 12 WR this week (SacPAS last updated on 1/16/24).
  - SacPAS Loss and Salvage Predictor
- Salvage trends in relation to OMRI: *Provide overview of salvage data and insert salvage table as attachment at end of document*:
  - Hatchery late fall-run Chinook salmon from the CNFH production release have been observed in salvage in high numbers this week. Genetically confirmed yearling fall-run Chinook salmon (FR) and SR have been observed in salvage.
  - USFWS Fish Salvage Monitoring

## Appendix 1: SaMT Monitoring and Modeling Data

**Table 3.** Fish monitoring data for the 1/16/24 SaMT meeting<sup>1</sup>. The following table presents fish monitoring data summarized over the past week. Unless otherwise noted, reported sizes are fork length. FR = fall-run, WR = winter-run, SR = spring-run, LFR = late-fall-run.

Location	Butte Creek RST	Tisdale RST	Knights Landing RST	Lower Sac RST	Beach Seines	Sacramento Trawl
Sample Date	N/A	N/A	1/8-1/14	N/A	1/9-1/12	1/8, 1/10, 1/12
Chinook Adults	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	1
FR Chinook	N/A	N/A	110	N/A	112	1
SR Chinook	N/A	N/A	5	N/A	3	0
WR Chinook	N/A	N/A	16	N/A	2	0
LFR Chinook	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	0	0
Chinook (ad-clip)	N/A	N/A	1 FR	N/A	0	0
Steelhead (wild)	N/A	N/A	2 SR	N/A	1	0
Steelhead (ad-clip)	N/A	N/A	29 WR	N/A	0	0
Green Sturgeon	N/A	N/A	1	N/A	0	0
Flows (avg. cfs)	N/A	N/A	2	N/A	-	-
W. Temp. (avg. °F/°C)	N/A	N/A	0	N/A	8.8	8.5
Turbidity (avg. NTU)	N/A	N/A	8,941	N/A	22.0	78.6

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Real-time monitoring data to update this fish monitoring table was received after the SaMT meeting.

**Table 3 Continued**. Fish monitoring data for the 1/16/24 SaMT meeting<sup>1</sup>. The following table presents fish monitoring data summarized over the past week. Unless otherwise noted, reported sizes are fork length. FR = fall-run, WR = winter-run, SR = spring-run, LFR = late-fall-run.

Location	Chipps Is. Midwater Trawl	Mossdale Kodiak Trawl	EDSM	Feather at Herringer RST	Feather at Eye-Side RST	Lower Feather River RST	Yuba River RST
Sample Date	1/8, 1/10, 1/12	1/8, 1/10, 1/12	1/8-1/12	N/A	N/A	1/6-1/12	N/A
Chinook Adults	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
FR Chinook	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	132	N/A
SR Chinook	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
WR Chinook	0	0	1	N/A	N/A	1	N/A
LFR Chinook	0	1	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
Chinook (ad-clip)	5	0	1	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
Steelhead (wild)	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
Steelhead (ad-clip)	1	0	2	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
Green Sturgeon	0	0	0	N/A	N/A	0	N/A
Flows (avg. cfs)	-	-	-	N/A	N/A	2,710	N/A
W. Temp. (avg. °F/C)	10.3	9.0	-	N/A	N/A	8.6	N/A
Turbidity (avg. NTU)	20.6	19.9	-	N/A	N/A	8.7	N/A

**Table 4**. Delta sturgeon tagging and monitoring.

Date	Comments
1/16/24	1 juvenile white sturgeon located/ tagged near Sacramento River north of
	Marsh Island on 10/24/23

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Real-time monitoring data to update this fish monitoring table was received after the SaMT meeting.

**Table 5.** CDFW adult monitoring surveys. N/A means Not Available due to carcass survey data not being received prior to SaMT Meeting.

Location	American River Carcass Survey	Stanislaus River Carcass Survey
Sample Dates	1/2/24 – 1/5/24	12/25/23 – 12/29/23
Live Fish	Not Available	80
Redds	N/A	145
Total Carcasses	7	28
Ad-clipped	11	1
Spawn Condition	Prespawn Mortality: 6%	Not Available
Flows (avg. cfs)	1,750	200
Water Temp (avg. °F)	51.8°F	Not Available

 Table 6. STARS Modeling

Date:	<u>DCC</u>	<u>Georgiana</u>	<u>Sacramento</u>	Sutter and	<u>Yolo</u>
(1/12/24)		<u>Slough</u>	<u>River</u>	<u>Steamboat</u>	<u>Bypass</u>
				<u>Slough</u>	
Late Fall-Run	N/A	0.23	0.48	0.29	N/A
Routing					
Probabilities					
Late Fall-Run	N/A	0.24	0.60	0.49	N/A
Route Specific					
Survival					
Winter-Run	N/A	0.12	0.61	0.13/0.13	0
Routing					
Probabilities					
Winter-Run	N/A	0.19	0.46	0.38/0.50	N/A
Route Specific					
Survival					

### Appendix 2: Salvage Data

**Table 7.** SWP and CVP SaMT update  $(1/1/24 - 1/7/24)^1$ . Trend is the current value compared to the previous week. Reduced counts are the percentage of time that routine salvage sample times were less than 30 minutes per two hours of salvage and export operations. Prepared by Kyle Griffiths on 1/8/24. These are preliminary results and are subject to revision.

Criteria	1-Jan	2-Jan	3-Jan	4-Jan	5-Jan	6-Jan	7-Jan	Trend	Weekly Summary
Wild older juvenile CHN Loss	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	<b>→</b>	0
Wild Steelhea d Loss	0	0	0	2.72	0	0	0	7	0.39
SWP daily export (acre- feet)	4,383	4,510	3,508	4,035	5,112	5,112	3,791	<b>→</b>	4,350
CVP daily export (acre- feet)	7,035	7,022	7,033	7,006	6,956	6,895	6,910	<b>→</b>	6,980
SWP reduced counts	None	N/A	N/A						
CVP reduced counts	None	N/A	N/A						

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Final salvage report was not received prior to the SaMT meeting due to the holiday weekend; therefore, this table was not updated this week.

**Table 8.** Chinook salmon weekly salvage and loss combined for both the SWP and the CVP fish collection facilities between  $1/1/24 - 1/7/24^1$ . Race is determined by LAD on the date of capture. Hatchery origin fish are determined by the lack of adipose fin. Salvage is equal to the estimated number of fish collected by the CVP and SWP fish protective facilities per unit of time. SWP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 4.33. CVP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 0.68. Prepared by Kyle Griffiths on 1/8/24. These are preliminary results and are subject to revision.

Category	Salvage	Loss	Trend
Wild winter-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Wild spring-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Wild late Fall-run	0	0	Л
Wild fall-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Weekly Total	0	0	Not Applicable
Hatchery winter-run	2	8.67	7
Hatchery spring-run	16	11.53	7
Hatchery late Fall-run	119	139.67	71
Hatchery fall-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Weekly Total	137	159.87	Not Applicable

**Table 9.** Chinook salmon cumulative salvage and loss combined for both the SWP and the CVP fish collection facilities across WY 2024. Race is determined by LAD on the date of capture. Hatchery-origin fish are determined by the lack of adipose fin. Salvage is equal to the estimated number of fish collected by the CVP and SWP fish protective facilities per unit of time. SWP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 4.33. CVP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 0.68. No official report was prepared this week due to the holiday. These are preliminary results and are subject to revision.

Category	Cumulative Salvage	Cumulative Loss	Trend
Wild winter-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Wild spring-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Wild late Fall-run	8	6.4	Л
Wild fall-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Season Total	8	6.4	Not Applicable
Hatchery winter-run	2	8.67	7
Hatchery spring-run	28	20.17	7
Hatchery late Fall-run	127	145.43	7
Hatchery fall-run	0	0	$\rightarrow$
Season Total	157	174.27	Not Applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Final salvage report was not received prior to the SaMT meeting due to the holiday weekend; therefore, this table was not updated this week.

**Table 10.** Steelhead weekly salvage and loss combined for both the SWP and the CVP fish collection facilities for  $1/1/24 - 1/7/24^1$ . Hatchery origin fish are determined by the lack of adipose fin. Salvage is equal to the estimated number of fish collected by the CVP and SWP fish protective facilities per unit of time. SWP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 4.33. CVP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 0.68. Prepared by Kyle Griffiths on 1/8/24. These are preliminary results and are subject to revision.

Category	Salvage	Loss	Trend
Wild steelhead	4	2.72	$\rightarrow$
Hatchery steelhead	0	0	Л
Weekly Total	4	2.72	Not Applicable

**Table 11.** Steelhead cumulative salvage and loss combined for both the SWP and the CVP fish collection facilities across WY 2024. Hatchery origin fish are determined by the lack of adipose fin. Salvage is equal to the estimated number of fish collected by the CVP and SWP fish protective facilities per unit of time. SWP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 4.33. CVP loss is equal to salvage multiplied by 0.68. No official report was prepared this week due to the holiday season. These are preliminary results and are subject to revision.

Category	Cumulative Salvage	Cumulative Loss	Trend
Wild steelhead	9	6.12	7
Hatchery steelhead	4	2.72	Я
Season Total	13	8.84	Not Applicable

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Final salvage report was not received prior to the SaMT meeting due to the holiday weekend; therefore, this table was not updated this week.

## Appendix 3: Relevant Actions

**Table 12.** Relevant WY 2024 Criteria and Status for Listed Chinook Salmon under the SWP Long-Term Incidental Take Permit.

Action	<u>Timeframe</u>	Current Action Status	Threshold(s)	Current Relevant  Data	Weekly Trend	<u>Last Updated</u>	Comments
Onset of OMR Mgmt. Salmonid Presence (8.3.2)	Jan. 1 - Jun. 30 (when ≥ 5% of winter- run or spring- run are in the Delta)		≥ 5% of the winter-run or spring-run population are present in the Delta	Winter-run = 35- 45% estimated in the Delta Spring-run = 15-30% estimated in the Delta	N/A	1/16/24	N/A
Winter-run yearly loss (8.6.1)	Nov. 1 - Jun. 30	In effect	Natural CHNWR (loss = 1.17% of JPE) 50% of 1.17% of JPE = 2,748.28 Hatchery CHNWR (loss = 0.12% of JPE) 50% of 0.12% of JPE = 232.30	Current yearly WR loss (natural LAD) = 25.96 Current yearly WR loss (hatchery) = 0	N/A	1/16/24	N/A
Winter-run discrete daily loss (8.6.2)	Nov. 1 - Dec. 31	Not in effect	11/1-11/30: loss of 6/day unclipped older juvenile Chinook salmon  12/1-12/31: loss of 26/day unclipped older juvenile Chinook salmon		N/A	1/16/24	N/A

Action	<u>Timeframe</u>	Current Action Status	Threshold(s)	Current Relevant Data	Weekly Trend	<u>Last Updated</u>	Comments
Mid- and Late- season Natural WR Daily Loss Threshold defined as natural origin juvenile Chinook salmon (8.6.3)	Jan 1 – May 31	In effect	January 1 – 31: 0.00124% of the CHNWR JPE  February 1 – 28: 0.00231% of the CHNWR JPE  March 1 – 31: 0.00372% of the CHNWR JPE  April 1 – 30: 0.00226% of the CHNWR JPE  May 1 – 31: 0% of the CHNWR JPE	234,896 = 5.3086496 ( <b>5.31</b> )	Salvage of older juvenile Chinook salmon/genetic WR is likely to occur this upcoming week.	1/16/24	N/A

Action	<u>Timeframe</u>	Current Action Status	Threshold(s)	Current Relevant  Data	Weekly Trend	<u>Last Updated</u>	Comments
Spring-run surrogate protection (8.6.4)	Feb. 1 - Jun. 30	Not in effect	Coleman National Fish Hatchery (CNFH) Group 1: 0.25% of total in-river CWT fall-run release Feather River Fish Hatchery (FRFH) Group 1: 0.25% of total in-river CWT spring-run release	N/A	N/A	1/16/24	N/A
			Nimbus Fish Hatchery (NIM) Group 1: 0.25% of total in-river CWT fall-run release				

OMR Flexibility	Nov. 1 -	Not in	•The Delta is in excess	COA 8.7 will not	Current storm	1/16/24	N/A
During Delta	Jun. 30	effect	conditions, AND	trigger this week	events are being		
Excess			•QWEST is >0, AND	due to the	monitored for COA		
Conditions (8.7)			•A measurable	following:	8.7.		
			precipitation event	<ul> <li>The Delta is in</li> </ul>			
			has occurred, AND	excess conditions			
			•DWR and	(with restrictions)			
			Reclamation	•QWEST is +1,500			
			determines that the	cfs			
			Delta outflow index	•There has not been			
			indicates a higher	a measurable			
			level of outflow	precipitation event			
			available for diversion				
			due to peak storm	indicate that an			
			flows, AND	OMR more negative			
			<ul><li>None of the</li></ul>	than -5,000 cfs is			
			following COA's are	likely to trigger an			
			controlling Project	additional real-time			
			operations: 8.3.1,	OMR restriction			
			8.3.3, 8.4.1, 8.4.2,	<ul> <li>Risk assessments</li> </ul>			
			8.5.1, 8.5.2, 8.6.1,	determine that			
			8.6.2, 8.6.3, and 8.6.4,	changes in			
			AND	spawning, rearing,			
			<ul> <li>Risk assessments</li> </ul>	foraging, sheltering,			
			indicate that an OMR	or migration			
			more negative than -	behavior as a result			
			5,000 cfs is unlikely to	of OMR Flex			
			trigger an additional	operations will			
			real-time OMR	occur.			
			restriction				
			<ul> <li>Cumulative salvage</li> </ul>				
			at the CVP and SWP				
			facilities of yearling				
			CNFH LFR (as yearling				
			CHNSR surrogates) is				

Action	<u>Timeframe</u>	Current Action Status	Threshold(s)	Current Relevant Data	Weekly Trend	<u>Last Updated</u>	Comments
			less than 0.5% within any of the release groups, AND •Risk assessments determine that no changes in spawning, rearing, foraging, sheltering, or migration behavior as a result of OMR Flex operations				
End of OMR Management (8.8)	Jan – Jun. 30	Not in effect	More than 95% of WR and SR have migrated past Chipps Island as determined by SaMT, AND Daily average water temperature at Mossdale exceeds 22.2°C (71.96°F) for 7 non-consecutive days in June, AND Daily average water temperature at Prisoner's Point exceeds 22.2°C (71.96°F) for 7 non-consecutive days in June	N/A	N/A	1/16/24	N/A

## Appendix 4: Hatchery Releases

 Table 13. Hatchery salmon release data for BY 2023 and WY 2024.

Release Date	Hatchery	Race	сwт	Marked Release Number	Total Release	Percent Marked	Release Location	Mark	Agency	Release Type
12/6/2023	SCARF	Spring	06-29-45	2,477	2,477	100%	San Joaquin River at Highway 140	PIT, CWT, and Ad- Clip	CDFW	SJRRP
12/6/2023	SCARF	Spring	06-29-46	1,060	1,060	100%	San Joaquin River at Highway 140	PIT, CWT, and Ad- Clip	CDFW	SJRRP
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-28	66,574	66,574	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-29	68,204	68,204	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-30	73,473	73,473	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-31	74,938	74,938	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-32	67,155	67,155	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-33	70,038	70,038	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-34	61,405	61,405	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-35	69,674	69,674	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-67-36	71,048	71,048	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-66-87	74,745	74,745	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-66-88	35,387	35,387	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-00-45	70,552	70,552	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-00-46	72,539	72,539	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/18/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-00-47	66,946	66,946	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/22/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-66-89	60,764	60,764	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Experimental
12/28/2023	LSNFH	Winter	05-00-31	74,940	74,940	100%	Sacramento River at John F. Reginato River Access	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/28/2023	LSNFH	Winter	05-00-32	75,714	75,714	100%	Sacramento River at John F. Reginato River Access	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/29/2023	CNFH	Late Fall	05-66-90	71,049	71,049	100%	Sacramento River at John F. Reginato River Access	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Experimental
1/11/2024	CNFH	Late Fall	05-66-91	67,018	67,018	100%	Battle Creek at CNFH	CWT and Ad-clip	USFWS	Experimental

**Table 14.** Hatchery steelhead release data for BY 2023 and WY 2024.

Release Date	Hatchery	CWT	Marked Release Number	Total Release	Percent Marked	Release Location	Mark	Agency	Release Type
12/19/23 - 12/21/23	CNFH	N/A	142,402	142,402	100%	Sacramento River at Sycamore Grove	Ad-clip	USFWS	Production
12/29/23- 1/5/24	CNFH	N/A	276,336	276,336	100%	Sacramento River at Sycamore Grove	Ad-clip	USFWS	Production

**Table 15.** COA 8.6.4 Young-of-Year Spring-run Chinook Salmon Hatchery Surrogate Summary Table, WY 2024.

Hatchery	Release Group	Date	Race	Total Fish Released	CWT Fish	Tag Codes	Loss Threshold
Coleman National Fish Hatchery	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Feather River Fish Hatchery	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Nimbus Fish Hatchery	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A