

**Memorandum**

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From : **Department of Fish and Game- Yreka Fisheries Unit**

Subject: 1980 Salmon River Summer Steelhead Survey

From July 7 to August 14 a joint Department/U.S.F.S. team surveyed the Salmon River System to determine the distribution, numbers and range of summer steelhead and spring king salmon (see attached map).

Starting on the N.F. Salmon at the confluence of the Right Hand Fork the crew, using standard survey methods, proceeded downstream to Forks of Salmon and counted 69 SH and 26KS. They then transferred to the S.F. on July 23 and surveyed from slightly above the confluence of the Little South Fork, downstream, to Forks of Salmon where 166 SH and 163 KS were seen. The main stem Salmon River survey was started August 6 and completed August 14. Here 65 SH and 33 KS plus, in the last five miles, several large schools of shad were seen. The total for the two forks and the main stem was 300 SH and 222 KS. If the Wooley Creek counts are included, the Salmon River system harbor a minimum of 465 summer steelhead and 265 spring king salmon.

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Attach.

Salmon R. System  
 1980 Summer SH,  
 Spring KS Survey

