



Brief Commentary 2022/2023 fiscal

A successful year, highlighted by strong volunteer and community support. Our organization capitalized on an estimated 12,000 hours of volunteer time in the last fiscal year. This effort was spread across our various salmon enhancement initiatives, fish, production, education, stewardship, collaboration, and fundraising.

Our main fundraising portfolios include our Tide Guide Publication, an annual raffle, the Brick Project, a 50/50 raffle, corporate donations, private donations, and project grants. We have even began a planned giving program.

Our stewardship and education programs include our water monitoring program, classroom incubator program, salmon livestream, an Expo, Fryday, and often individual class field trips for releases of classroom fry from various schools.

Last years improvement projects included the Lang intake camera , intake safety platform, and the reconstruction of our rotary fence. Hardy plank siding was added to the lower portion of the brood facility, and the neon continuous water monitoring station was also replaced. Funding provided by the Community Forest.

The Salmon Preservation Pathway along with initial bricks were placed and the gazebo roof was redone. Washroom improvements for accessibility along with the roof replacement on the outhouse were all completed. The front vehicle bridge was also replaced at Lang Creek. That work was funded by the Pacific Salmon Foundation.

These projects, along with general facility maintenance for all our production cycles and programs keep our teams very busy.

The upcoming year will be no different with projects planned at the Duck Lake Hatchery again funded by the Community Forest. A new rearing building will be erected along with the reinforcement of the water retaining wall for our intakes. We will replace our dump box's on one of our trucks, and some office renovations including office equipment will all be funded by the Pacific Salmon Foundation.

This year, with a grant from the job creation program we were able to hire a fourth staff position. It has been more than twenty years since we have had a full time fourth position.

Chantal Dunning has joined our team and been trained on many things PRSS, with a lot more training to do. This will be her first brood cycle coming up in the fall.

Chantal has also brought a new program to our existing portfolio with the introduction of summer camps. Chantal provides an exciting bump of energy to our team and we look forward to building on that this fiscal year.

Hatchery Production Numbers

Returns

Chinook 258
Coho 1685
Chum 3123
Pink 21

Releases

Chinook 492 942 90% survival
Coho 292 105 90% survival
Chum 732 146 90% survival

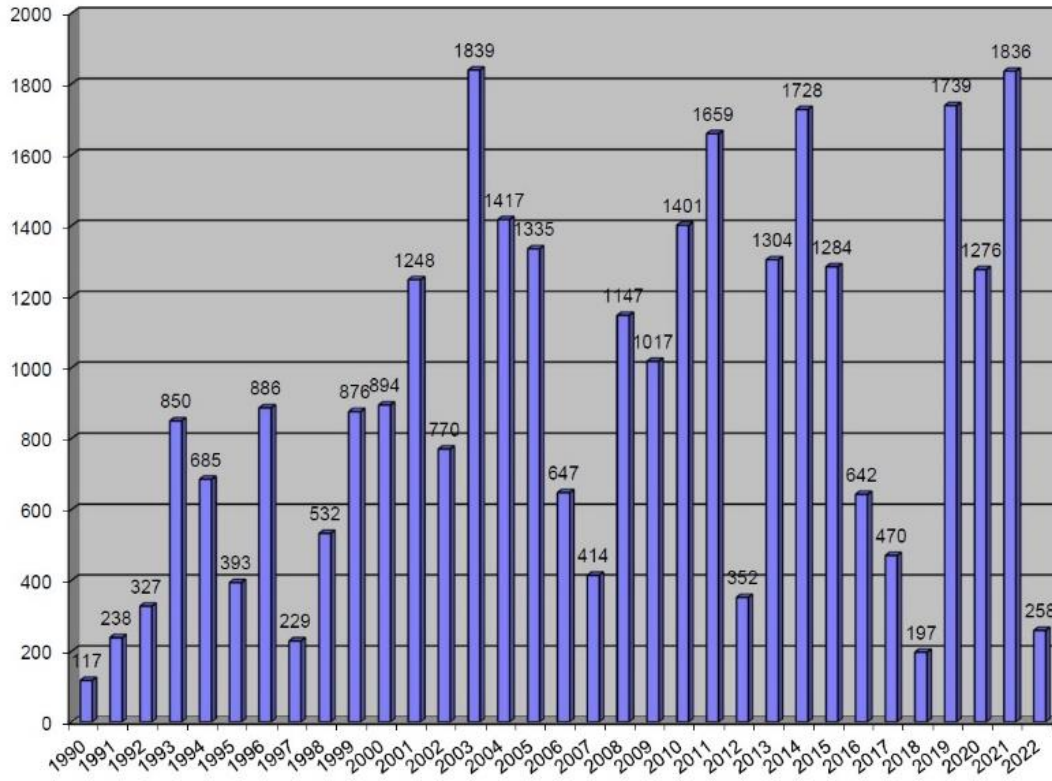
Upcoming Year

Fundraising, program growth, further community engagement. Volunteer recruitment, and succession planning are all at the top of our continuous list. Team development with a concerted effort on depth.

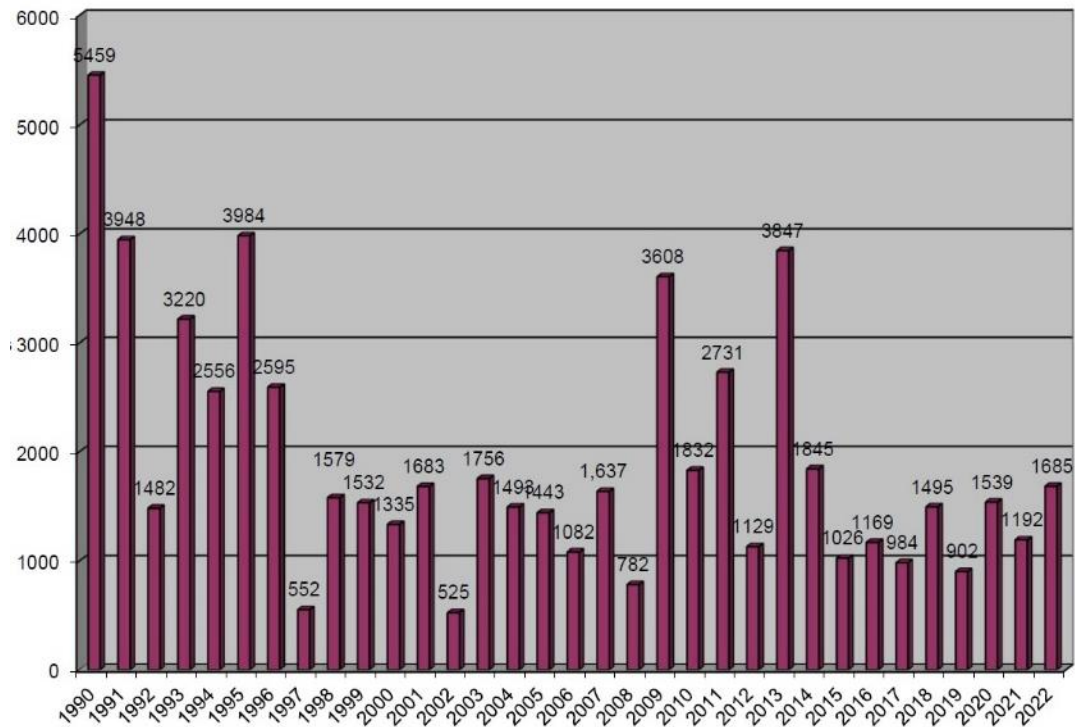
We have every reason to be optimistic that our fish returns will be good, however we prefer not to make guesses.

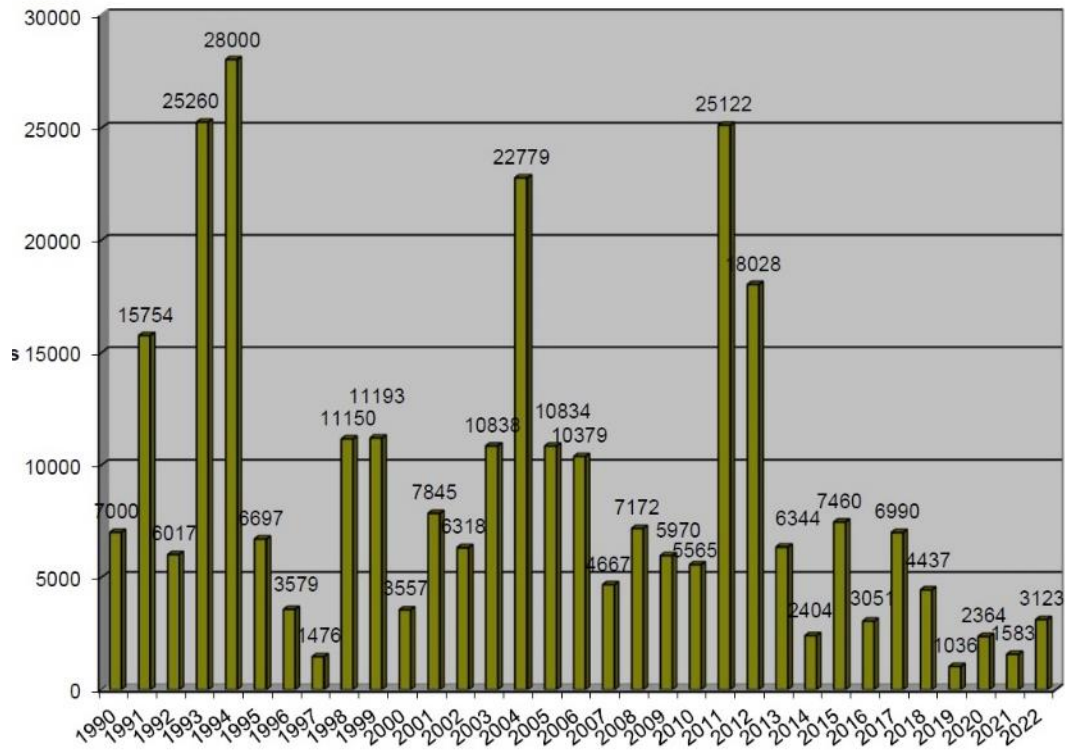
One interesting recent discovery of looking at a ten year average was that we see 40% more Chinook in a year that there are Pinks returning to the river. The fall of 2023 is in fact a Pink year so will this trend continue?

Chinook



Coho





Pink

