

Predation Workshop:

Review, Evaluate, and Develop Strategies to Reduce Non-Native Piscivorous Predation on Juvenile Salmonids

Summer 2008 (Mid-August)
Portland

Target Attendees: Fish Managers and Action Agencies Technical and Policy Staff

The workshop will include three general sessions, each expected to be 3-4 hours:

- (1) What we know about native and non-native piscivorous predation.
- (2) What can be done (and what are the further information needs)?
 - a. Biologically; technically
 - b. Socially, politically
- (3) What are the next steps?

Session (1) will consist of presentations by those working on or knowledgeable about fish predation in the Columbia River Basin. Dave Ward of CBFWA will moderate this session, which will likely include 8-10 talks from throughout the Basin, and possibly an expert from outside the Basin. Key speakers to draw from include, but are not limited to, those working on the Northern Pikeminnow Management Program, predation in Snake River reservoirs, and predation in the Yakima River Subbasin.

Sessions (2) and (3) are meant to be active, professionally-facilitated, work sessions. Session (2) will be broken into two shorter sub-sessions. The first will focus on taking what is learned from Session (1) and discussing the technical and biological possibilities and limitations of predation management. Included should be summarizing information needs. The second part of Session (2) will focus on the social and political possibilities and limitations of predation management. It will be important to have appropriate personnel at this session.

Session (3) will likely be held the morning after the first two sessions. This should also be an active, facilitated session. Possible goals of this session include developing short term and long term plans (or at least needs), and developing a schedule for further meetings (including those attended by a broader audience).