Paul Wagner



Columbia Basin Fish Program, Senior Manager

QUALIFICATIONS

- Proven ability to lead large technical assessment teams
- Extensive experience and knowledge of fish ecology, habitat, and salmon passage issues and mitigation strategies
- Familiarity with government regulatory agencies associated with ESA and salmon recovery issues

18 YEARS OF EXPERIENCE

EDUCATION

B.S., Fisheries Management, University of Washington, Seattle, WA, 1983

AFFILIATIONS

American Fisheries Society Member

Hanford Technical Group Co-Chairman

Vernita Bar Monitoring Team Member

Fish Transportation Oversight Team Representative

PRESENTATIONS AND PAPERS

Tiffan, K.F., D.W. Rondorf, and P.G. Wagner. 2000. Physiological Development and Migratory Behavior of Subyearling Fall Chinook Salmon in the Columbia River. North American Journal of Fisheries Management 20:28-40.

Wagner P., J. Nugent, W. Price, R. Tudor, and P. Hoffarth. 1997-99 Evaluation of Juvenile Fall Chinook Stranding on the Hanford Reach. 1997 Interim Report. WA Department of Fish and Wildlife. Prepared for the BPA and the Public Utility District Number 2 of Grant County. BPA Contract Number 97Bl30417, Project Number 97-104. GCPUD Contracts Document 430-647. 44 pages.

Wagner, P. 1995 McNary and Lower Monumental Dam Smolt Monitoring Program Annual Report. WA Department of Fish and Wildlife. Fish Management Division. Prepared for U.S. Dept. of Energy. Bonneville Power Administration. Division of Fish and Wildlife. Project Number 87-127. Contract Number DE-FC79-88BP38906. 18 pages.

Wagner P., and T. Hillson. 1991 Evaluation of Adult Fallback through the McNary Dam Juvenile Bypass System. WA Department of Fisheries. Habitat Management Division. Report to U.S. Army Corps of Engineers. Contract Number DACW-68-82-C-0077. Task Order Number 10. 79 pages. Mr. Wagner has approximately 18 years of experience as a professional fisheries biologist in the Columbia River basin. He has extensive experience in mainstem Columbia basin hydroelectric project salmonid passage issues, including juvenile bypass system design, evaluation and operation. He has been responsible for multidisciplinary fisheries research, monitoring, quality control, and evaluation programs for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife at McNary, Ice Harbor, and Lower Monumental hydroelectric projects. He has also served as the Senior Biologist responsible for formulating and managing federal contract budgets totaling approximately \$950,000 per year and supervised 12-20 professional biologists and technician staff. Wagner has extensive program coordination experience with federal, state, tribal, and consultant groups. He has conducted cooperative and independent research planning, implementation, and evaluation and has managed subcontracted research groups. Recently, he served as the Hanford Juvenile Fall Chinook Stranding Evaluation Project Leader and Technical Committee Co-chairman and has participated in over 50 major scientific and technical projects.

Currently, he is responsible for Columbia River program management. Specific work includes providing clients with expert services in the areas of: salmonid passage at mainstem hydroelectric projects; water quality; ESA compliance; subbasin planning and watershed assessment; project proposal development; and general ecological studies.

RELEVANT PROJECT EXPERIENCE

McNary, Ice Harbor, Lower Monumental Smolt Monitoring Programs

Project Manager

CLIENT: Bonneville Power Adminsistration

Strategic Plan for Salmon Recovery in the Klickitat, White Salmon, and Little White Salmon Watersheds

Project Manager CLIENT: Klickitat County

Evaluation of Juvenile Fall Chinook Stranding on the Hanford Reach

Project Manager

CLIENT: Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW)

McNary, Ice Harbor, Lower Monumental Transportation Quality Control

Project Manager

CLIENT: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers

Okanogan River System Subbasin Summary

Technical Team Leader

CLIENT: Columbia Basin Fish and Wildlife Authority

McNary Dam Fallback Evaluation

Project Manager

CLIENT: U.S. Army Corps of Engineers