



THE MONTHLY NEWSLETTER OF THE WESTERN WHITEWATER ASSOCIATION

December 2021 - President's Message

It's the most wonderful time of the year, we're all looking forward to the holidays with friends and family.

Our Steelhead run was another great success even though no one caught a hatchery fish to keep. There were twenty-five entries and with no winners, next year could be a big bonus if someone catches the winning fish. We appreciate Skip and Sharon Bailey for hosting the Saturday evening dinner at their shop; it was a great time.

The banquet committee is moving forward in the planning stages and we are looking forward to having the event next year if Covid does not shut us down.

Our last general meeting of the year will be held December 13th at Fiesta Guadalajara in Nampa so please come join us and have dinner or just enjoy visiting with friends

We will be having our New Year's Day pre-run on December 31st at Celebration Park with the drivers meeting at 10:00 am. At that time, we will divide up in groups and head up river to Rattle Snake Eddy and stop at the sand bar for a visit. New Year's Day will be the same followed by a barbeque at Celebration Park, come join us and start the new year off with a great time.

Merry Christmas,

Clyde Durham, WWA President



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Up Coming Events

December 13th General & Election Meeting
Followed by Banquet Meeting

December 31st New Year's Pre Run

January 1, 2022 New Year's Run

January 3, 2022 Board Meeting

February 5, 2022 Banquet

February 20th Chili Run

March 19-21 Glens Ferry Run

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Winter Ball
December 11th
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Fund Raiser for the Jet Boat Races

Prime Rib or Chicken Dinner \$45.00

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WWA Banquet
December 5th



Report on Salmon Challis National Forest Plan Revision

By Bob Hays

On November 23, 2021 Josh Milligan, Plan Revision Team Leader for the Salmon Challis National Forest (SCNF) confirmed that the forest is still operating under two plans that were put in place in the late 1980's for the then Salmon National Forest and Challis National Forest which were consolidated into the SCNF in 1998. While the original plans have been revised multiple times, in 2017 an effort to develop one current plan for the SCNF was initiated. WWA representatives participated on the Salmon Valley Stewardship Collaborative in providing a user based comment process to this effort. After much feed-back, from various quarters, that effort was tabled in 2019/2020 when it became apparent, the "resource use" based Challis National Forest plan/area, did not fit well with a "wilderness based" Salmon National Forest plan. The process going forward calls for the revision/development of two plans, one for each area. An internal USFS staff meeting is planned for the first of 2022 and to move slowly as the new plans are developed. **Bob's Note** - Much work, public comment and time was invested into the Wild and Scenic Rivers (WSR) and wilderness portions of the shelved plans, hopefully this work will not be dismissed. Note the WSR & Wilderness Recommendations are required in the 2012 Planning Rule. Josh Milligan can be reached at 208-756-5560 and plan progress is noted on the SCNF Web site

<https://www.fs.usda.gov/detail/scnf/landmanagement/planning/?cid=fseprd544724>

You are invited to our next Banquet Committee Meeting on December 13th, following the General Meeting at Fiesta Guadalajara, in Nampa. Your help will be much appreciated.

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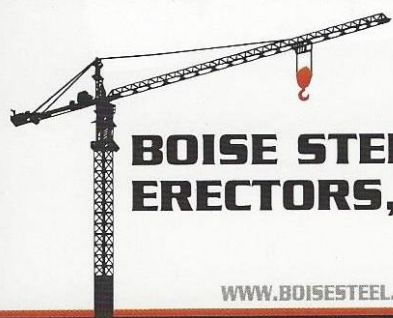
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2021 Steelhead Count From July 1 to December 31, 2021

Dam	Date of Count	Daily Adult Count	Total to Date in 2021	Total to Date in 2020	5 Year Average Total Count to Date
Bonneville	November 28	32	68,609	107,834	112,338
Lower Granite	November 27	74	39,725	55,755	59,638

- Counts include wild and hatchery origin fish. Most steelhead bound for Idaho cross Bonneville Dam between July 1 and October 31.
- Information on numbers of steelhead crossing the Columbia and Snake River dams is taken from data posted by the [United States Army Corps of Engineers](https://www.usace.army.mil/), and is updated weekly during the counting season.