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## **Fish Inventory**

### **Twelvemile Creek (Lake County)**

District staff snorkeled Twelvemile Creek on 8 June. Redband trout size and abundance appeared good. The juniper removal project added significant cover for redband.

### **Crooked Creek**

Unusually clean gravel was noticed at the gravel augmentation site just above the highway 62 bridge on June 1. This could be sucker spawning.

### **Threemile Creek**

District staff removed 61 brook trout from Threemile Creek on 6 June by electrofishing.

### **Upper Klamath Lake**

### **Long Creek**

Nature Conservancy caught yoy bull trout in the weir trap that is east (downstream) of the USFS 27 rd going downstream on June 18.

### **Deming Creek irrigation ditch**

District staff received a call that a 21" bull trout had been captured by hook and line in the pool just below the Deming Creek irrigation ditch culvert on the Deming Creek trailhead road. District staff investigated the scene. The irrigation ditch has been shut off and redband trout and one small bull trout were stranded. A total of 44 redband trout up to 248 mm and one bull trout at 148 mm were salvaged from the ditch and released upstream.

### **Williamson River**

ODFW and OSP floated the Williamson River on 27 June from Chiloquin Day Use area to the Waterwheel Campground. A total of 16 boat anglers and 4 bank anglers were observed from 1000 to 1300 hrs. All boat anglers were accompanied by a paid guide. Most fish caught were under 20" with a CPUE of .73 fish/hr. The Hexagenia mayfly hatch started the evening before.

Pictures were taken of the work on the pump station on the Williamson River above highway 97. No excessive turbidity was noted.

**Spencer Creek**

**Willow Valley**

**District staff and Klamath Bassmasters placed 33 Berkley Habitat Structures and 11 christmas trees in Willow Valley Reservoir on 2 June.**

**Fish Habitat**

**Ana River**

**February Stream Flows and Reservoir Levels**

(Table 1).

Gerber Reservoir was at acre feet of storage with 0 cfs released into Miller Creek. Fourmile Lake was at cubic feet of storage and % full at the end of the month.

Table 1. Peak and mean flows (cfs) for various streams in the Klamath Basin in October 2006

<b>Stream</b>	<b>Mean Flow</b>	<b>Peak Flow (cfs)</b>	<b>Date Peak Flow</b>
Sprague River (Beatty)			
Sevenmile Creek (Fort Klamath)			
Cherry Creek			
Annie Creek			

## **Angling**

### **Upper Williamson River**

District staff visited the Upper Williamson five times this month and never hit the black drake hatch. Speaking with Yamsi and Sand Creek ranches it appears the hatch was poor this year.

### **Link River**

Redband trout were captured up until 15 June and then many suckers were accidentally snagged while angling for redband trout.

### **Fourmile Lake**

One angler was checked with five fish on 18 June. The angler caught two rainbow at 340 and 370 mm one kokanee at 295 mm and two lake trout at 330 and 305 mm. The angler fished from 0930-1430 for a catch rate of one fish per hour.

### **Spring Creek**

Creel was performed on Spring Creek on 1 June. No anglers were observed from the mouth to the Picnic area. A total of four anglers were observed angling. A total of five rainbow trout were captured in five hours of angling for a catch per unit effort of one fish per hour. Two 22" redband trout were observed spawning at the Picnic area. A large family of six people were beginning to fish when the creel was completed.

### **Lower Williamson River**

District staff floated the Lower Williamson River from Chiloquin Day use to the Waterwheel campground.

## **Meetings and Public Outreach**

District staff attended the airstocking meeting in Bend on 7 June.

District staff attended free fishing weekend at Klamath Hatchery on 9 June.

District staff attended RAP camp on 18 June.

District staff stocked Lake of the Woods for the Youth Angling Event on 15 June.

District staff gave a tour to I and E staff