

## PROTECTED AREAS

### 1992 RULEMAKING

Note: Current protected area designations, reach numbers, and updated agency information will be added to this listing before it is published as a rulemaking notice.

#### Washington:

**Teanaway River, Middle Fork.** (Kittitas County) Change from unprotected to protected for wildlife. Submitted by Alpine Lakes Protection Society. (No agency position at this time.) ID 11953 ✓

**Teanaway River, West Fork.** (Kittitas County) Change from unprotected to protected for wildlife. Submitted by Alpine Lakes Protection Society. (No agency position at this time.) ID 11954 ✓

**Upper Cowlitz River Basin.** (above Mayfield Dam) Change from unprotected (some areas) and protected for resident fish and wildlife (other areas) to protected for anadromous fish plus existing protections. Submitted by National Marine Fisheries Service. Reason: BPA has entered into an agreement with Friends of the Cowlitz for reestablishment of anadromous fish in these areas, which are now blocked by dams. Several projects are pending in on these reaches. The designation will block these projects unless applied prospectively. (No agency position at this time, but will probably support protected designation.)

**Little Mashel River** (Pierce County) Change zone protected for anadromous fish from entire 7.6 mile reach to first 0.5 miles only. Change zone protected for resident fish and wildlife from entire 7.6 mile reach by declaring as unprotected the portion of the reach from river mile 0.5 to 1.2. Submitted by Ohop Mutual Light Company. Reason: project area not important for species of concern. If approved, this change will allow construction of small, run-of-the-river hydro project. (Agency will probably support.) 17110015-034-00.00 ✓

**Methow Basin tributaries.** Add protection for anadromous fish to Early Winters Creek, Gold Creek (North and South Forks), Beaver Creek, Libby Creek, Little Bridge Creek, Eightmile Creek, Twentymile Creek, Andrews Creek, Wolf Creek, and Bear Creek. Submitted by Okanogan Wilderness League. Reason: Chinook redds present near South Fork of Gold Creek, Steelhead present on Beaver Creek. Chinook redds present on Early Winters Creek. Other streams

have had historical runs and remnants may still be present. (No agency position at this time.)

17110004-088-0100 ID 25756 ✓  
**Clearwater Creek.** (Whatcom County) Change from protected for resident fish and wildlife to unprotected. Submitted by Nooksack River Hydro. Reason: project area not important for species of concern. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (Agency will probably support.)

17110005-166-0100 ID 25352 ✓  
**Park Creek.** (Whatcom County) Change from entire reach (6.1 miles) protected for resident fish and wildlife to portion of reach from river mile 0.0 to river mile 1.4 protected for anadromous fish, remainder unprotected. Submitted by Washington Hydro Development Company. Reason: project area not important for species of concern. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (Agency will probably support.)

171000405400.00 ID 25783 ✓  
*anadromous fish* **Canyon Creek.** (Whatcom County) Change project area from protected for resident fish and wildlife to unprotected. Submitted by Glacier Energy Company. Reason: species of concern absent from project area. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (No agency position at this time.)

171000403400.00 ID 25775 ✓  
**Racehorse Creek.** (Whatcom County) Change project area from protected for ~~resident fish and~~ wildlife to unprotected. Submitted by Glacier Energy Company. Reason: project area not important for species of concern. If approved this change would allow construction of hydro project. (No agency position at this time.)

171000511200.00 25549 ✓  
**Diobsud Creek.** (Whatcom County) Change project area from protected for resident fish and wildlife to unprotected. Submitted by Glacier Energy Company. Reason: project area no important for species of concern. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (No agency position at this time.)

Idaho:

1706030500800.00 ID 6709 ✓  
**Twentymile Creek** (Idaho County) Change from entire reach protected for resident fish and wildlife (9.9 miles) to river mile 0.0 to river mile 1.8 unprotected and river mile 1.8 to river mile 9.9 protected for resident fish and wildlife. Submitted by Baldwin Hydro Corporation. Reason: project area not important for species of concern. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (Developer will be submitting additional data to agency. Based on present data, agency opposes change.)

**Payette River, North Fork.** Protect entire reach (designation not specified). Submitted by Friends of the Payette. Reason: Idaho Board of Water Resources and Idaho Legislature have designated this stretch for protection from hydro

development under Idaho law. Petition requests that Council take conforming action. (Agency supports change.)

1704020604300.00 ✓  
**Snake River** (near Idaho Falls). Change from protected for wildlife (bald eagles) to unprotected in project area. Submitted by City of Idaho Falls. Reason: developer agrees that bald eagles currently use the project area as a feeding area, but proposes mitigation measures to provide feeding opportunities for bald eagles. If approved, this change would allow construction of hydro project. (Agency opposes change.)  
Stalley Proj

ID 11017 ✓  
Note: A request to protect the entire **Box Canyon** reach for wildlife was submitted by Hagerman Valley Citizens' Alert. Reason: presence of endangered aquatic snails, plus resolution of litigation regarding right of hydro permit holder to develop project. This request is not included since the reach is already designated as protected.

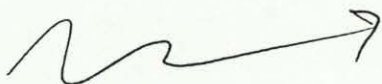
Table 1. Estimated stream lengths accessible to anadromous fish transported to the upper Cowlitz River Basin (above Mayfield Dam). Stream lengths were based on information provided by the Washington Department of Fisheries (WDF). WDF cautions that updating of this information is necessary.

<u>Stream</u>	<u>Length of Anadromous Fish Access From Stream Mouth (Miles)</u>
Cowlitz River	55.00 <sup>1</sup>
<del>Klona Creek</del>	4.00
<del>Squaw Creek</del>	1.00
<del>Silver Creek</del>	2.70
<del>Davis Creek</del>	2.00
<del>Burton Creek</del>	1.30
<del>Johnson Creek</del>	4.30
<del>Hall Creek</del>	2.00
<del>Skate Creek</del>	1.75
<del>Butter Creek</del>	0.75
<del>Lake Creek</del>	0.25
<del>Muddy Fork</del>	3.50
<del>Purcell Creek</del> 1708000409400.00	0.33
<del>Clear Fork</del>	1.50
<del>Chanepecosh River</del>	To Park
<del>Summit Creek</del>	----
<del>Mill or Miller Creek</del>	0.50
<del>Kilborn Creek</del>	0.75
<del>Garret Creek</del>	0.50
<del>Willame Creek</del>	0.47
<del>Smith Creek</del> 1708000408100.00	1.00
<del>Coal Creek</del> 1708000404500.00	0.75
<del>Klickitat Creek</del>	-----*
<del>Winston or Wilson Creek</del>	15.00*
<del>Landers Creek</del>	2.90*
<del>Steffen Creek</del>	2.60*
<del>Suden Creek</del>	1.50
<del>Frost Creek</del>	3.30
<del>Rainey Creek</del>	9.00*
<del>Lunch Creek</del>	2.50
<del>W.F. Rainey Creek</del>	0.60
<del>Goat Creek</del>	0.28
Cispus River	33.5
<del>Copper Canyon Creek</del>	0.06 - Not in DB
<del>Yellowjacket Creek</del>	5.25
<del>Camp Creek</del>	0.25 - Not in DB
<del>W.F. Cispus River</del>	6.00
<del>East Canyon Creek</del>	0.17
<del>Adams Creek</del>	0.20
<del>Iron Creek</del>	2.70
<del>Greenhorn Creek</del>	2.00
<del>Quartz Creek</del>	2.75
Goat Cr	

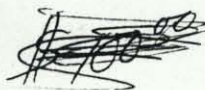
	Tilton River	22.60*✓
	N.F. Tilton River	6.60 ✓
Wallanding Cr →	Wallander Creek	0.75 ✓
	Otter Creek	0.25
	Rockies Creek	0.10
	Jesse Creek	0.18
	Mines Creek	0.50
	E.F. Tilton River	7.00 ✓
	S.F. E.F. Tilton River	4.50 ✓
	Nineteen Creek	0.75
	W.F. Tilton River	5.00 ✓
	Coon Creek	0.14

<sup>1</sup> Measured upstream from Cowlitz Falls dam site (FERC No. 2833).

\* Includes stream length inundated by existing reservoirs.



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