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Forecasting for the fishing week of **March 28th – April 3rd, 2014**

Oregon Fisheries Update:

Willamette Valley/Metro – Columbia River spring chinook fishers are still anxiously awaiting improving success rates. Test netting in the lower river indicate a higher number of fish present with higher interception rates of mainstem Columbia chinook. Willamette bound chinook still make up the bulk of the catch but that will likely change this week. Anchor anglers and trollers working the Kalama to Astoria area are still struggling for success; an indication the run is either late or going to come in under-predicted again. High, cold water is most certainly delaying migration and thus catch rates; an extension is likely, with an emphasis on likely.

Willamette River trollers had a good week from Sellwood downstream. The Oregonian's own Bill Monroe tallied 2 keepers last week, trolled herring was the ticket. River flows are once again expected to rise and muddy however, likely to once again put the fishery on hold until early April.

McKenzie level and flow moderated over the past weekend and fly fishers responded. While March Browns hatched in modest number, nymphs were more effective and catches were fair to good. Precipitation this week will affect the river but good times are ahead for McKenzie long-rodders.

The entire Santiam system is on the rise, a trend which is forecast to continue through the weekend to come.

The Clackamas is in peak season (mid-March to mid-April) and although the fishing has not been up to par like previous years, a mix of summer and winter broodstock fish should continue to provide some opportunity in the coming weeks.

Smelt are just a memory for Sandy River dippers but the season's first spring chinook were confirmed recently. The Sandy continues to provide good opportunity for steelhead as both winter broodstock fish and summer steelhead are available. A flurry of summer steelhead catches were recorded in the Oxbow area on Saturday and Sunday.

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife will hold two free youth fishing events on Saturday, April 5th, from 9:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m. Canby Pond and Cottage Grove Pond will be stocked with trout for these events. Volunteers will be on hand to help and assist kids.

Northwest – North Coast steelheaders have beat the rivers to a froth, compromising action last weekend on the districts two favorites; the Wilson and Nestucca. Both systems will continue to produce fair results into early April but action will quickly taper after the first week. Spring chinook fishing opens on April 1st but success rates won't climb until mid-May.

Many smaller streams close on April 1st as well as the upper reach of the Nehalem River above the Highway 26 Bridge at Elsie. Trout won't open until late May to protect schools of wild and hatchery smolts making their way downstream to the estuary in the coming weeks.

Offshore enthusiasts were able to take advantage of good bottomfishing over the weekend. Willing sea bass and lingcod fell to jigs and baits on rocky reefs and along jetties.

Razor clamming was challenging and crabbing is still leaving many disappointed.

Southwest- Offshore conditions allowed sport and charter boats to launch over the past weekend, seeking bottom fish. Catches were fair to good with some large lingcod boated.

Lingcod hookups have been occurring for anglers fishing off rocks and jetties when the ocean has laid down. These are frequently a surprise as lings will grab kelp greenling struggling on angler's lines. Rockfish are also being taken on jigs or bait.

While ocean salmon fishing has been open since mid-March, catches have been slow. Trollers are hooking a few offshore outside of Coos Bay and the mouth of the Rogue River. Offshore salmon fishing is closed south of Humbug Mountain.

Fishing for surf perch has continued to improve for anglers casting bait off ocean beaches. Best results will occur during the last two hours of an incoming tide.

Water will be rising on the mainstem Umpqua although spring chinook will be available as it recovers in early April. Hatchery winter steelhead catches have been good on the South Umpqua. Drifted, cured eggs have been taking the most fish.

With water conditions improving in Coos Bay, crabbing is expected to improve as will results for anglers fishing for rockfish and lingcod from the jetties.

Spring chinook catches picked up late last week on the lower Rogue but slowed again as the water dropped and cleared. Half-pounder fishing has been very good at times in the Agness stretch. Rain this week should improve flow and color, boosting angler's chances of a springer hookup. Bait has been most effective on the middle river but most steelhead hooked here have spawned. Just as winter steelhead catches were picking up on the upper Rogue with improving water levels, water will be on the rise again this week.

Boats fishing just outside Brookings Harbor have done well jigging for rockfish and lingcod. Steelheading is winding down on the Chetco with most of the fish spawned out and of poor quality.

Steelheading was good on the Elk when flows were up but catches fell off as the river dropped and cleared late last week.

As predicted, Diamond Lake ice fishing is done for the year. Trout fishers will be awaiting the spring thaw at which time catches are expected to be good.

Eastern – Lower Deschutes flows are good for fishing and the color has improved over that of a week ago. Hatches are picking up as have results for redsides although nymphing is often still the more productive technique here.

Trollers are catching a few kokanee and larger, holdover rainbows at Haystack Reservoir.

Davis Lake is open and accessible but bass are inactive in cold water.

SW Washington- The Cowlitz produced excellent results for steelhead over the weekend. With late season steelhead and the beginning of the summer run underway, fishing should remain productive for the next few weeks. Spring chinook are starting to show although peak season is still a few weeks away.

The Lewis and Kalama systems remain an option for steelheaders but spring chinook anglers will be out of luck as the season remains closed here until further notice.

Chinook counts are rapidly rising at Bonneville Dam but Wind and Drano Lake trollers still won't see peak season catches for several more weeks. Ambitious anglers can take advantage of low crowds and catchable numbers in the coming weeks however.

Columbia River Fishing Report – Despite increasing effort, catches on the mainstem Columbia remain subdued. Anchor anglers and trollers are both in hot pursuit of the Columbia's most tasty fish. Both are largely coming up empty however for reasons not really known.

High, cold water still persists on the mainstem but a higher component of mainstem Columbia fish are clearly present in the test net results from last Sunday. Here is the data collected from that effort:

2014 Spring Chinook Observation Summary_ All data preliminary
Chinook Adult Data

Fishery	Month	Date	(inches)# of			Lower R.		UpRiver		Ttl	Chin/ Drift	Chin/ Sthd
			Mesh	Drifts	Zones	Ad- Clip	No Clip	Ad- Clip	No Clip			
Test	Mar	16	4.25	16	2-3	9	3	3	1	16	1.0	0.6
Test	Mar	23	4.25	15	2-3	17	2	11	6	36	2.4	0.4

15 drift sets yielded 36 Chinook salmon; more than double from the previous week. There were nearly identical numbers of Willamette bound chinook and upper Columbia bound fish in the catch. As you can see however, the hatchery component for Willamette stock fish (Lower River) is much higher than the mainstem Columbia stock (upriver). Steelhead numbers are also starting to slow with only a few fish missing an adipose fin from the catch. There were 10 wild fish and 3 hatchery fish in the nets compared to 25 the week before.

Reports are consistent from sport anglers; Spring Chinook are hard to catch in the mainstem right now. Guides working Clifton channel have struggled all week not to mention all month. One guide reported on Monday the fish checker tallying four fish for 12 boats. That was the highlight of the season as prior to Monday she had only counted one fish for 125 interviewed boats.

That guide, **professional Andy Betnar**, had three chances on Monday, trolling herring in Clifton channel and around Tenasillahe Island. He landed just one of the three chances, taking home a nice springer for a full day effort. Although action picked up on Monday, reports throughout the lower Columbia are consistently this poor. A fishery extension is likely and we will keep you informed.

Further upriver, here's the latest from ODF&W in regards to the upcoming, recently set sturgeon season above Bonneville Dam:

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States set June sturgeon seasons, adopt new sanctuary

CLACKAMAS, Ore. – Fishery managers from Oregon and Washington today set the summer retention sturgeon fishing seasons and adopted a new sturgeon spawning sanctuary in the Columbia River behind Bonneville Dam.

Retention of legal-sized sturgeon will be allowed on June 13-14 and June 21-22 on the Columbia River between Bonneville and The Dalles dams. The seasons were adopted during a joint state hearing of the Oregon and Washington departments of fish and wildlife.

The states also adopted a new sturgeon spawning sanctuary in Bonneville reservoir, extending from The Dalles Dam downstream 1.8 miles. All angling for sturgeon will be prohibited in the sanctuary from May 1-July 31. The lower boundary of the sanctuary extends from the upper end of the boat ramp at the Port of The Dalles on the Oregon side of the Columbia perpendicular across the Columbia to a marker on the Washington shore. Previously, catch-and-release sturgeon fishing was allowed in this area. However, fishery managers decided the restriction was appropriate based on evidence this is prime spawning habitat and that handling sturgeon during the May-July period could adversely impact their spawning success. The new sanctuary will become a part of ODFW's permanent fishing rules.

"Given our precautionary approach to managing sturgeon fisheries I believe this is the right balance between conservation and fishing opportunity," said Tony Nigro, manager of ODFW's Ocean Salmon and Columbia River Program. Similar protective sanctuaries are already in place on the Columbia below Bonneville, John Day, and McNary dams and on the Willamette River below Willamette Falls.

Retention sturgeon fisheries are currently under way and will continue seven days a week in The Dalles and John Day reservoirs until harvest guidelines of 300 and 500 sturgeon, respectively, are achieved.

The bag limit in all three areas is one sturgeon per day and two for the year. Sturgeon must be between 38 and 54 inches fork length to be retained in Bonneville Reservoir and 43-54 inches fork length upstream of The Dalles Dam.

The Guide's Forecast – Just when run timing was supposed to improve fishing, the Northwest is expecting another battering of wet weather storm systems. This will not improve success rates despite the fact the run starting to blossom. Most critical, the Willamette River is likely to rise once again, coloring the river system downstream of Portland. This will keep success from Portland to Astoria from improving but from Portland upstream, the action should dramatically begin to improve. Counts at Bonneville are clearly indicating the run is underway. It certainly is starting to look like another late season peak at Bonneville.

Herring trollers and anchor anglers will continue to struggle on the mainstem Columbia downstream of Portland. If you have to fish this reach, be sure to target nearshore opportunities where fish are more likely to migrate in the high, colored flows. Use brightly colored lures and scented baits for best results.

Trollers and bank anglers should focus their efforts upstream of the mouth of the Willamette River. The water should provide much better visibility and with the mainstem run on the way, action should improve this week. Trolled herring will clearly receive the most attention but bank plunkers should also be able to pick off fish targeting salmon migrating close to shore. As we mentioned for downstream plunkers, bright colored lures and scented baits will provide the best action. If the run comes in as forecasted, anglers should see dramatically improved results by early next week. Green label herring often provide the best response for these smaller, mainstem chinook.

Willamette, McKenzie & Santiam Rivers Fishing Report – Willamette River fishers started with a bang last week but action quickly fizzled after the weekend. Numerous reports from Sellwood Bridge and downstream confirm a strong presence of quality five-year-old fish in the catch. Trolled herring was responsible for the bulk of the catch but some anglers using prawns were starting to see results.

Sellwood to Milwaukie likely produce the best catches from midweek through the weekend but fair catches were also reported in the Multnomah Channel and at the head of the channel near Fred's Marina. Again, green label herring was responsible for the bulk of the catch.

As expected, most of the fish taken this week averaged between 15 and 21-pounds. This is a common weight range for five-year-old fish. Starting after the first week of April however anglers should start to see a larger component of four-year-old fish averaging between eight and 12-pounds. The river is already on a rising trend as of Thursday. This will immediately shut off any momentum that was underway for this fishery.

Trollers were taking fair numbers of fish in the Multnomah Channel. Coon Island to Santosh Slough produced some of the best results. Willamette River bound spring Chinook often take the Multnomah Channel route in higher flows; this is clearly one of those years.

Not many people are pursuing sturgeon with spring Chinook on tap. Action however remains good to excellent, especially for those using fresh-caught smelt. Catch and release anglers largely have this fishery to themselves which only makes fishing that much better. The Portland Harbor is consistently booting out the best catch rates.

The Middle Fork of the Willamette has been off color at times but has fished well for trout when the level has dropped with March Browns hatching and occasional large Caddis hatches.

While water on the McKenzie is high, it is gradually dropping though still off-color. As it recovers from the freshet this week, trout fishing will improve.

With waters of the Santiam system rising over the next several days, those looking for catch-and-release action for native winter steelhead will be better served looking elsewhere or preparing tackle for when the river is in better shape.

Cottage Grove Pond, Dexter Reservoir, E. E. Wilson Pond, Foster Reservoir, Freeway Lake East, Timber Linn Lake, Walling Pond, Walter Wirth Lake, Waverly Lake, Canby Pond and St. Louis Pond are scheduled to be planted with hatchery trout.

The Guide's Forecast – This will be another easy week to predict how the fishing will go on the Willamette. Rising flows and muddied waters will turn the bite back off through the weekend. Spring Chinook anglers can expect to take a break this week, maybe looking back to the mainstem Columbia upstream of Kelly point Park for opportunity. This may be the week to ensure your gear is ready for when the Willamette drops back in following this spring freshet. The peak for the Willamette fishery is only a few weeks away.

Sturgeon fishing however will remain a strong option this week as high, muddied flows will likely only stimulate the bite. The Portland Harbor will remain the best place to be as this reach of the river still remains warmer than the mainstem Columbia. If you still have access to fresh-caught smelt, this will be a slam-dunk bait for you. No need to use anything else.

McKenzie trout fishers will enjoy improving conditions in the week to come with March Browns on the hatch. Occasionally, spotted and striped Caddis will be popping as well. The McKenzie River remains closed to trout fishing above Leaburg Dam until April 26th.

Summer steelhead counts are building at Willamette Falls, a significant percentage of which find their way to the Santiam River system. About 275 summers had been counted as of March 26th and some have already made an appearance at the Foster Dam facility on the South Santiam. A handful of spring Chinook have also crossed at the Falls but it'll be April or so for springers to be in the South Santiam in significant number.

Clackamas and Sandy River Fishing Reports – Nothing special happening on the Clackamas River this week. Store manager at **Fisherman's Marine and outdoor Robert Campbell** commented that although it's been consistent, anglers are not witnessing any hot streaks of action on the Clackamas. The Barton to Carver stretch is producing fairly regularly but experienced anglers running that reach are still only getting 2 to 3 fish for a full day's effort. Side drifters are doing fair but bobber and jig fisherman are also taking an occasional fish. Back trolled plugs can also be effective in the dropping flows. Like most systems in the northwest corner of Oregon, this river too is expecting a large rise, already currently underway.

The Sandy River is faring better than the Clackamas. Sandy River anglers working from Dodge Park downstream, continue to see a fair return of broodstock steelhead. Summer steelhead are starting to show with more regularity with a decent report coming from the Oxbow stretch last weekend. Fish should be well distributed up to Marmot but anglers seeking hatchery fish should focus their efforts downstream of Cedar Creek. Fishers will once again be challenged by rising river levels but once they begin to drop again action should again pick up. This has definitely been the better of the two metro options for steelhead fishing this winter. You will still have to work the water hard but fish will be available for the next couple of weeks. Spring chinook have been confirmed from the Sandy but apparently, they were wild, requiring release. The peak for spring chinook on this system is late April these days. Hopefully, it's a good run.

The Guide's Forecast – Both the Sandy and the Clackamas will likely perform similarly this week and weekend. Both systems are currently on a steep rise and forecasted to remain high through the weekend. It will be challenging to find good success rates until the flows start to drop again, maybe as early as Sunday.

Plunkers might have first crack at fish early next week but focus your effort close to the shoreline for steelhead and maybe even an early spring Chinook. The Sandy will likely remain the best bet for late winter fish, summer steelhead and a rare early spring Chinook. Plunkers should be working the extreme lower reaches while upriver drift fisherman will have to wait till Tuesday or Wednesday before they see catch rates start to climb again on the Sandy. Sandy River anglers should focus their efforts from Cedar Creek to Dodge Park.

It's the same with Clackamas anglers; plunkers in the lower reaches should do best just after the river crests. By the middle of next week, drift-boaters and bank anglers should again see better results in the middle and upper reaches of the Clackamas. When flows drop-down again and the river begins to clear, focus your effort between Carver and McIver Park. It will be at least another week before the river gets low and clear again.

North Coast Fishing Report – Most anglers are crying the ho-hum tune this week as dropping flows continued to the deflate biting fish. Despite less than ideal conditions over the weekend, the Nestucca and Wilson Rivers remained busy with anglers seeking good driftboat fishing opportunities. Ideal Willamette and Columbia conditions kept many metro anglers pursuing spring Chinook however.

Wilson and Nestucca River steelheaders fared similarly over the weekend. Fisherman had to work hard for the catch but a full days effort often yielded 1 to 3 fish for persistent anglers. As we clarified in last week's report, innovation paid dividends. Those that bobber-dogged the water with jigs or beads seemed to grind out a few biters. The lower reaches produced the best on both systems. Anglers working downstream of Sollie Smith Bridge on the Wilson fared the best over the weekend and into the early part of this week.

The report from **Pro guide Kent Anderson 503-550-6303** indicated consistent fishing on the Nestucca but not like catches seen in mid-February. Kent stated a full day's effort could yield 5 to 7 opportunities, landing about half of those that took the hook. Kent noted that by far, the bulk of the catch was made up of smaller 2-salt fish in the 7 to 9 pound range. The late-season has yielded very few fish over 10 pounds, the size range typically found in 3-salt fish. Kent has been on the water nearly every day, only to bring in a single summer steelhead on March 4; his earliest summer ever. Overall, Kent stated that action has been better than last year with consistency being the key but white-hot fishing far from the rule. The ratio of wild to hatchery fish has been nearly 50:50. Kent did note however that there was a large and aggressive bunch of fish that move through the lower reaches of the Nestucca on Wednesday morning. This was just when the river started to rise. This is not an uncommon occurrence, motivated biters often make their way upstream if rise is not too rapid.

Kent also finished the Trask River on Wednesday. Although far fewer anglers to contend with, he put in a good effort for only two fish; both in the 7 to 9 pound range. Like most North coast systems, this river has produced fair results with an occasional broodstock hatchery fish in the mix. Overall however, mediocre results abound.

Wilson River fishermen have pounded the system to a froth. Weekend anglers did not come up with fantastic results but aggressive anglers could pull out fish in the lower reaches if you were amongst the early rising fleet. Bobber dogging was also effective here as a lower flows made side-drifting more challenging. Bobber and jigs or worms is also an effective alternative. Plugs also played a role in anglers that found unmolested pockets of fish.

Other North coast systems are low and clear and produced poorly for much of the week. That should change again however as the next system is about to hit the coast. The Kilchis and Necanicum Rivers may provide one last opportunity before they close or start to slow after April 1. Be sure to check your favorite waterway for a change in regulations.

The Nehalem was dropping into ideal flows before the next rain system hits. Although it remained somewhat turbid, flows were just right for late-season steelheaders. Not many reporting from that system however as anglers like to keep it on the down-low as to their success rates there. Boaters working the lower reaches from the Beaver slide to Roy Creek as well as Vernonia floaters should have found some fish over the weekend. Regulations change in each one of these reaches beginning the 1st of April so be sure to read them carefully.

Offshore opportunity for saltwater anglers was an option over the weekend. Those that ventured out found good sea bass and lingcod catches. Crabbing remained fair at best. Strong tides didn't help anglers working the jetty rocks; there is just such a limited time to productively fish when tide changes run strong.

The Guide's Forecast – With North coast systems headed for another blowout, don't look for a great opportunity this weekend. Rivers are currently on the rise and forecasted to jump another couple of feet when the next weather system hits.

Smaller systems such as the Necanicum, Kilchis, and Three Rivers may provide some opportunity by Sunday. The upper Trask also falls into this category as it often clears quickly given that these are not extensive watersheds. The North Fork Nehalem is also an option but a distant fourth option.

Anglers will want to remain focused on the Wilson and the Nestucca River systems once they drop and clear following the current rain freshet. As we often state, the upper reaches of these two river systems will begin to produce fair to good results by Sunday or Monday. These are the reaches where bank anglers have the best access. By Monday and Tuesday of next week, assuming a continued dropping trend, the boatable reaches of these rivers should begin to produce fair to good results for late-season steelhead. On the minds of many, will be Willamette Valley spring Chinook but steelhead rivers on the coast should become less crowded and remain productive. Anglers may start to see a few down-runner steelhead but that will only keep the action interesting. Fresh broodstock winter fish, as well as a rare summer steelhead should make another good showing following the river drop.

Keep baits big and bright when flow are high, dropping them down in color and size as the flows do. Plugs will probably become more effective by the middle of next week. These late-season wild and broodstock fish seem to respond quite well to effectively back trolled plugs. Keep the colors subdued.

The upper reaches of these boatable stretches are the best bet early next week but continually dropping flows will make the lower reaches more productive by midweek. This will probably be the last strong push of wild and hatchery fish on these systems. With the run only mediocre this year action will quickly taper after the 5th April.

The offshore forecast again doesn't look promising for bottomfishers or crabbers. If you're desperate for fresh Dungeness, the lower Columbia may be the place to be but despite good tides, the weather will not be that much fun to be in. It'll likely only give up a few keepers for an intensive effort anyway.

North coast, Coffenbury Lake, Devil's Lake, Lost Lake (Clatsop County), Sunset Lake and Vernonia Pond are scheduled for trout stocking.

Central & South Coast Reports – Boats launched out of Depoe Bay and Newport as recently as Monday this week to catch rockfish and lingcod although the ocean has started to kick up. This was a sign of things to come as it has been too rough offshore to allow sport or charter boats to launch since that day. Forecasts for the next several days are not optimistic for those hoping to make an ocean launch.

The ocean is open to bottom fishing without depth restriction through the last day of March. Starting April 1, however, offshore bottom fishing will be restricted to the 30-fathom line. This fishery was restricted to the 40-fathom line in years past but it is hoped that this new limit will reduce impacts to yelloweye rockfish and prevent even more stringent depth limitations in the future.

A few boats launching out of central Oregon ports are trying for salmon, primarily during combo trips for bottomfish. Chinook catches are reported as slow.

Most south coast rivers will be high and rising over the coming weekend. Winter steelheading is winding down as spring Chinook start to enter in ever more promising number.

Jigging for herring has been fair to slow at Yaquina Bay. The herring have spawned but are still schooling in the bay on good number. The challenge is finding them.

Steelheaders fishing the upper Alsea may score a few winter steelhead as the river recovers from rainfall this week but catches will be slowing dramatically at this time of year.

Water levels on the Umpqua mainstem will be skyrocketing over the coming weekend which will not allow anglers to chase the decent numbers of spring Chinook which has shown up here early this year. Once the water drops and clears, salmon fishing should be worthwhile. April is considered a prime month for Umpqua springers. Even the waters of the South Umpqua, usually less effected by recent rains, will rise about five feet over the weekend but should put out some hatchery winter steelhead in the first week of April. This will be the best bet on the Umpqua system over the week to come.

While the Coos and Coquille river systems will remain open to winter steelheading through April, and there are a few bright fish around, the majority of those that anglers may expect to hook up with in the coming weeks, will be turning dark. Many steelheaders have already hung up their gear for the season.

Some dandy lingcod have been taken offshore out of Gold Beach when the ocean allowed boats to launch, Trolling has produced very few ocean Chinook. Precipitation this week will bring fresh, bright spring Chinook into the lower Rogue over the weekend. The other side of that coin is that the water will be far too high to fish until the first week of April, if the NOAA forecast holds true. The middle river, which had been improving for winter steelhead catches, will also suffer from too much water within its bank and will require some recover time to once again be fishable. Even on the upper Rogue, where there has been a good mix of hatchery and wild winter steelhead recently, flows are predicted to reach over 12,000 cfs which is far too swift to fish. Give the Rogue a week or so to drop and clear, then hit it. Trout fishing is closed on the upper river as of April 1.

A free spey fishing clinic will be held at held at Tou Velle State Park on the Rogue River Saturday, April 26th from 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM. Anyone interested in learning more about fly fishing with a spey rod is welcomed to come.

Chetco River level and flows are on the rise, forecast to reach over 24,000 cfs by Saturday, March 29th. Even though this is the backside of the winter steelhead season, fishing has been good enough here that steelheaders should be able to pick up a few as the water drops and clears in the coming week.

Fishing for yellow perch has been excellent at Tenmile Lakes. Females are laden with eggs so the spawn should occur soon.

Bradley Lake, Applegate Reservoir, Medco Pond, Spaulding Pond, Fish Lake, Burma Pond, Dutch Herman Pond, Reinhart Pond, Johnson Mill Pond were on the trout planting schedule this week.

Central and Eastern Oregon – Anglers familiar with the ins and out of the sometimes-confounding Metolius River has been picking up good-sized reddsides on dry offerings this week. Caddis are hatching.

Green Peter is producing fair to good numbers of kokanee to trollers using hoochies behind a spinner blade.

Kokanee are hitting jigs at Lake Billy Chinook while trollers using downriggers have been hooking up with some good-sized bull trout.

For those who'd like to learn more about the art of jigging kokanee, Cabela's in Springfield will be hosting the Lucky Duck Crew on April 5th. They will be giving a free seminar on the subject at 1 PM.

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