

FROM OLD TO NEW-
THE REBUILD OF THE COWLITZ SALMON HATCHERY

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Abstract:

The Cowlitz Salmon Hatchery was constructed by and is funded and maintained by Tacoma Power. It is operated by W.D.F.W. employees to mitigate for the impacts of Mayfield and Mossyrock Dams on the Cowlitz River Salmon and Trout stocks. The hatchery was put into operation in 1967. Forty-Three years later the Cowlitz Salmon hatchery has under gone some major changes.

An overview of the various stages of construction, as well as the challenges given to the hatchery crew to maintain good fish culture, will be presented from the beginning of demolition to the final phases of rebuilding the hatchery.