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THE COLUMBIA RIVER AT HANFORD, WASHINGTON

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6. Any acoustic assessment can give the number of targets or biomass. Some ideas on size distribution can be obtained from target strength analysis. But the species composition must be obtained from net sampling. One should therefore look at future hydroacoustic surveys initially as combined with a net sampling program until the pattern of species distribution has been established.

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INTRODUCTION

A hydroacoustic data acquisition and analysis system, developed at the University of Washington (Nunnallee 1973, 1975), has been successfully applied to assessment of populations of juvenile sockeye salmon, adult sockeye salmon, and other limnetic fish. It has not been known, however, whether this system is applicable to shallow lotic habitats such as the Columbia River near Hanford. There appear to be two limiting factors in the application of hydroacoustic techniques to lotic habitats: (1) the presence of excessive ambient noise; and (2) the difficulty associated with defining sample volume due to the absence of discernible fish targets in relation to ambient noise and with navigational difficulties.

Migrant juvenile chinook salmon (*Oncorhynchus tshawytscha*) is the species of primary interest in this study. Other studies have been conducted with regard to the out-migrant timing of juvenile chinook salmon utilizing conventional sampling techniques, i.e., seining, fyke netting, etc. Early data was gathered by Mains and Smith (1964) in which the migrants were observed to be moving in March and April (76%) and again in June and July (24%). No juvenile chinook salmon were observed in August. Another study conducted by Battelle-Northwest biologists in 1969 (Becker 1970) largely substantiated the results of Mains and Smith. They observed juveniles as early as mid-March, becoming abundant in the second week of April, and remaining so until mid-June. The abundance declined rapidly in July, and no juvenile chinook salmon were present in August.

The methods employed for collecting the above data have limited applicability in lotic habitats such as the Columbia River; therefore, an alternative is desirable. The purpose of this study has been to establish

the feasibility of applying hydroacoustic assessment techniques to seaward migrant juvenile chinook salmon in the Columbia River near Hanford, Washington.

STUDY AREA

The study area is located at the northernmost end of the Hanford Reservation in Eastern Washington, associated with the plutonium production reactor at the 100-N area (Fig. 1). Large intake structures draw water into the plant from the adjacent Columbia River, which is subsequently discharged back into the central Columbia as heated effluent.

The stretch of main channel along the Hanford Reservation is the last free-flowing environment of the Columbia River as inundation by hydroelectric dams has stilled the remaining primordial spawning areas of the chinook salmon. This stretch extends 90 km, primarily within the boundaries of the Hanford Reservation, from Richland to Priest Rapids Dam. The river ranges from 400-500 m in width at the 100-N area with recorded flows, during the period of interest, ranging from 40.5-161.7 x 10³ CFS (flows recorded at Priest Rapids Dam).

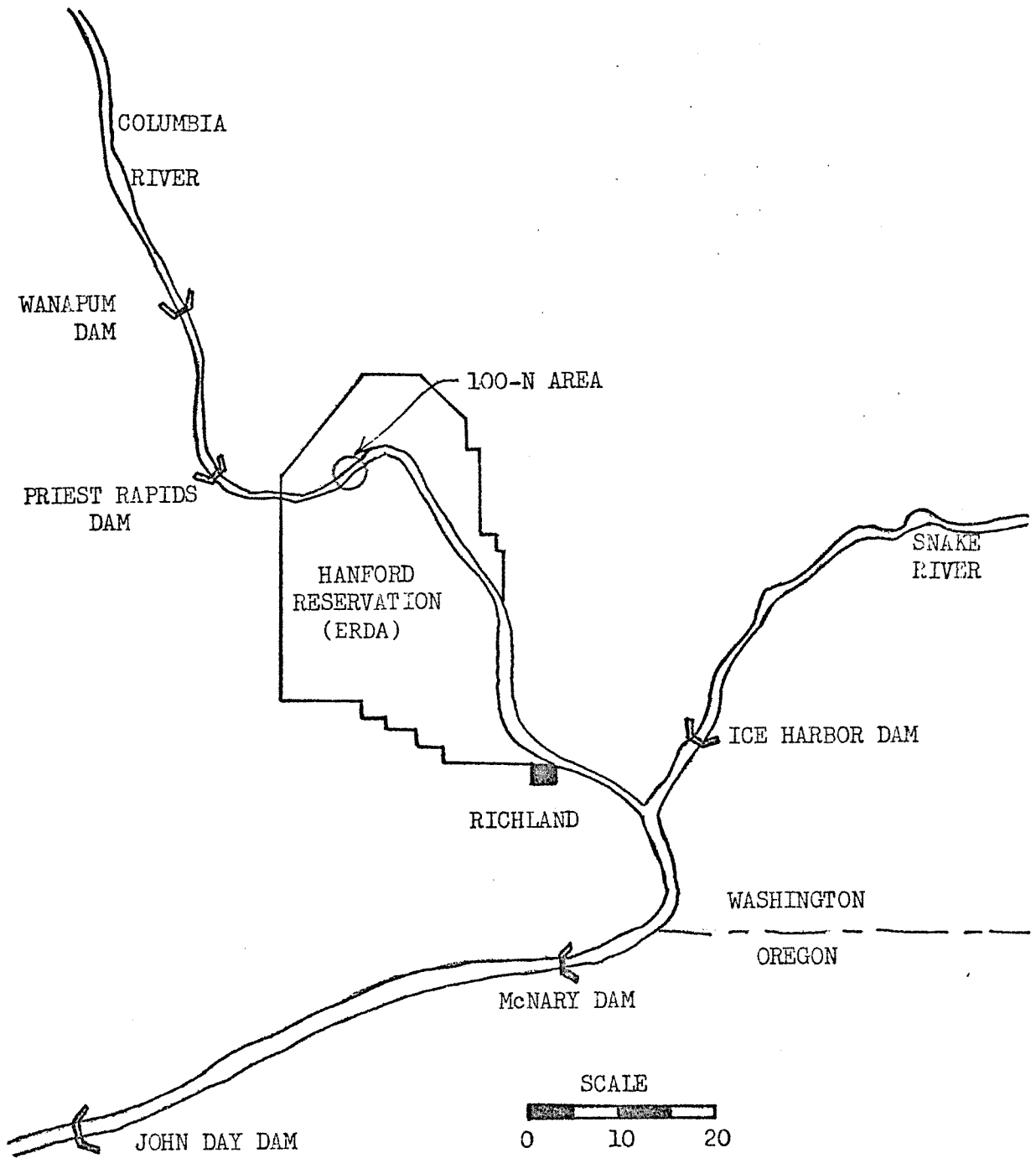


Fig. 1. Location of the 100-N area at Hanford, Washington.

MATERIALS AND METHODS

Hydroacoustic Data Acquisition System

The hydroacoustic data acquisition system utilized in this study has been described by Thorne, Nunnallee, and Green (1972) and Nunnallee (1973). Basically, the system is comprised of three separate components: a recording echo sounder, an interface amplifier, and a magnetic tape recorder (Fig. 2). The echo sounder used was a modified 105 kHz Ross 200A (transceiver and chart recorder). The single turn potentiometer was replaced with a vernier type ten-turn potentiometer to permit a more precise gain adjustment; an isolation amplifier was installed to prevent loading the receiver circuitry by the associated equipment; and a calibration oscillator was added to allow simple, rapid checks of the receiver gain. An interface amplifier is necessary in order to connect the signal output of the echo sounder to the signal input of the tape recorder since direct connection between the two is not possible due to bandpass limitations of the tape recorder. The echo sounder operates at a frequency of 105 kHz, while the maximum frequency response of the tape recorder at unity gain is about 8 kHz at the tape speed used during data collection (3 3/4 ips). The interface amplifier converts the 105 kHz output frequency of the echo sounder to a frequency of 5 kHz by using chopper and filter circuits. The gain of the interface amplifier is assumed to be unity for any signal amplitude within the operating limits of the circuitry. Once adjusted for unity gain, the echo signals at the output of the interface amplifier were recorded on a standard stereophonic tape recorder. The only modification necessary on the tape recorder was replacement of the input and output signal cable connectors on the rear panel with coaxial signal cable

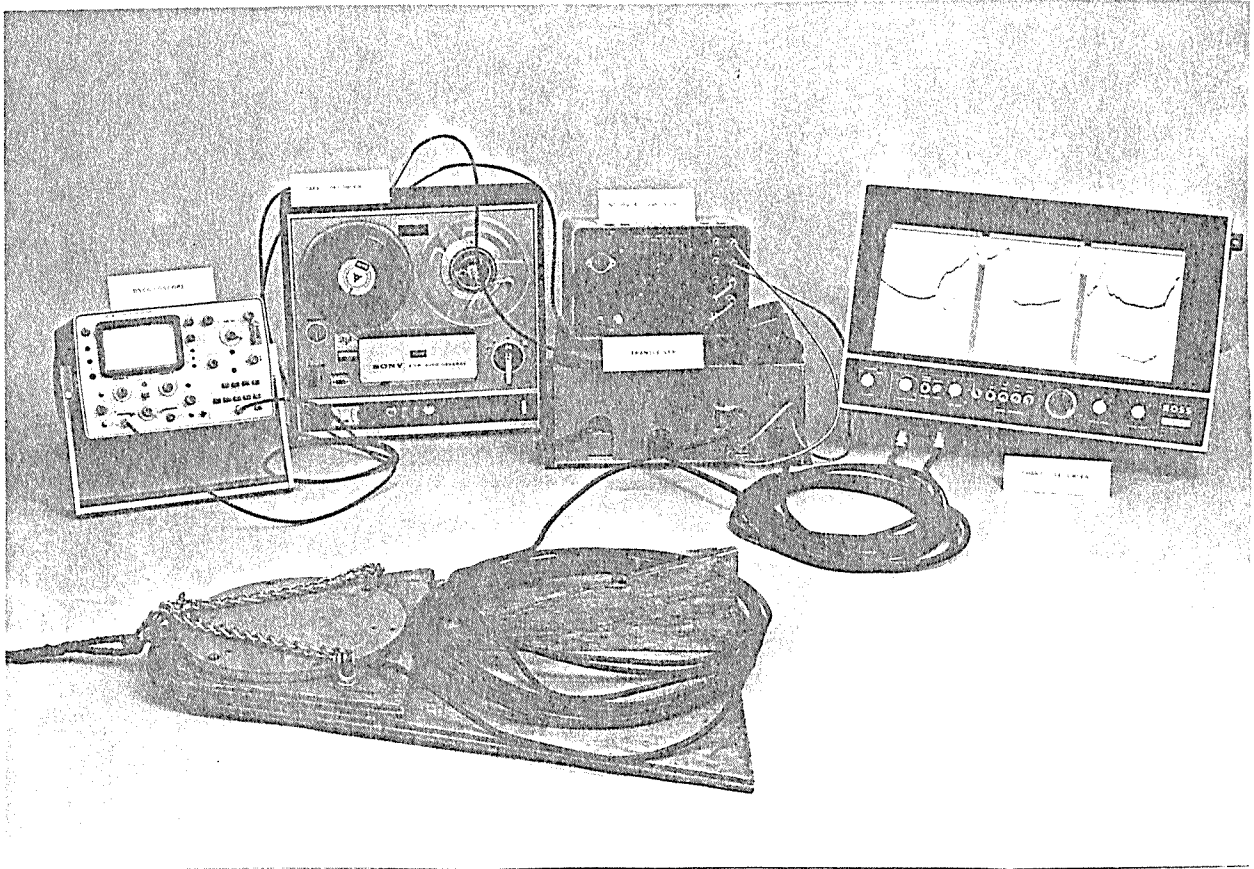


Fig. 2. The hydroacoustic data acquisition system.

connectors (BNC type) to prevent accidental cable disconnection during the survey.

Power to the system was provided by two lead acid batteries connected in parallel and converted to 115 VAC by an inverter. A Continental model inverter was used for this purpose providing 110 WATTS of 115 VAC power to the system. The two batteries in parallel allowed for approximately 4-5 hours of continuous survey time, after which they required charging.

Two types of transducers were used in conjunction with the river surveys. The primary transducer was a wide angle, single element barium titanate core producing a circular beam angle of approximately 28° at the -3 dB level, referenced to the acoustic axis. An alternate narrow beam, barium titanate array (7-element) transducer was incorporated during side-looking tests, characterized by a beam width of 7° at the -3 dB level, referenced to the acoustic axis.

The wide beam transducer was mounted in a hydrodynamically-designed towing vehicle which was suspended from a 2" x 4" beam strapped across the gunnels of the boat. A boat and driver were provided by Battelle-Northwest. The narrow beam transducer was attached to a ridged channel bar which allowed adjustment from horizontal aspect to approximately 45° down-looking (Fig. 3).

Transect Design

Exploratory sounding was conducted on April 27 to determine locations suitable for transecting. As a result, three transects were designated in the immediate vicinity of the 100-N area, to be referred to as transects A-C for the purpose of this study (Fig. 4). The transects were run orthogonal to the direction of flow on transects A and C; however, transect B

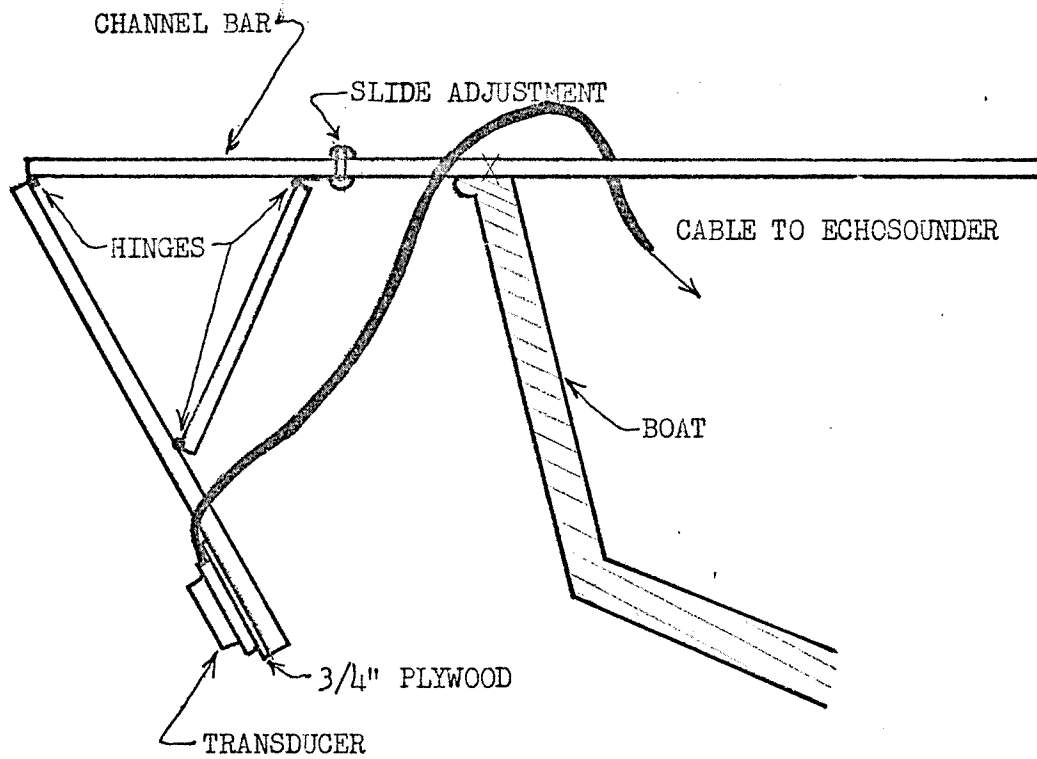


Fig. 3. Variable angle side-looking transducer mount used on transects 2-1 - 2-4.

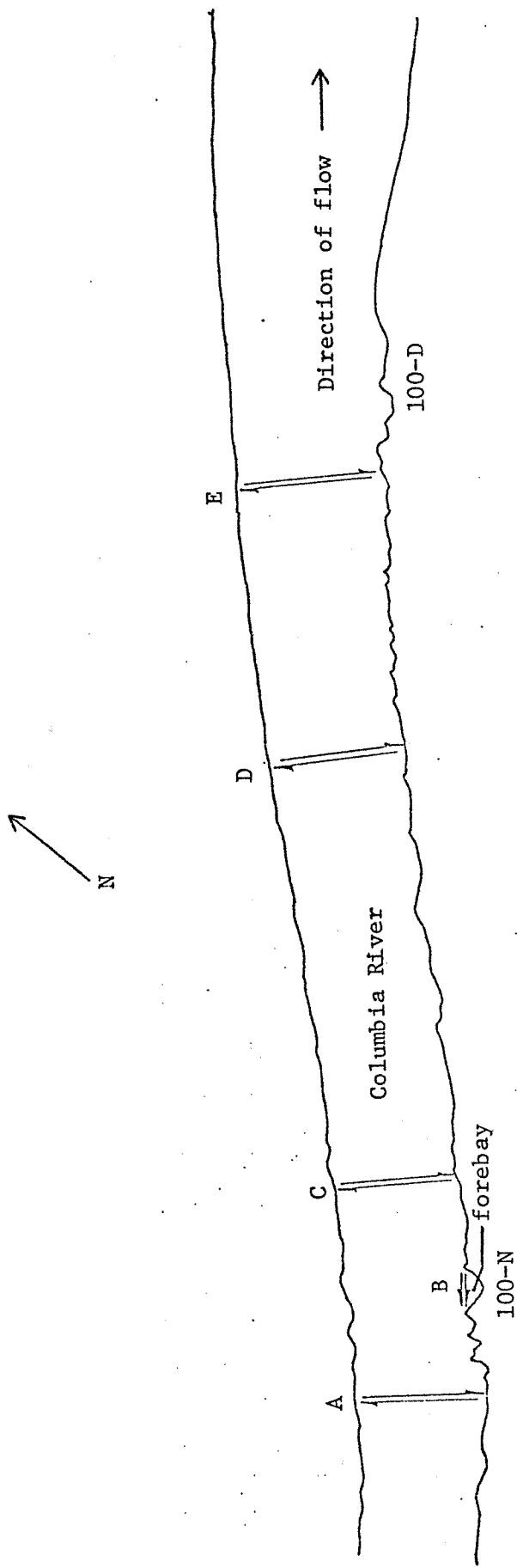


Fig. 4. Location of echosounding transects on the Columbia River near the 100-N area.

was run against the current in the 100-N forebay. As transecting commenced, it became apparent that transect C was of little use due to bubble noise from the ^{HGP and} 100-N mid-river discharge^s; therefore, an additional transect was run further downstream to eliminate this noise. The downstream transect (D) was subsequently moved further downstream near the 100-D area to provide navigational reference points on either shore. This transect will be designated transect E. The remaining surveys were conducted at transects A, B, and E with consecutive replication of each. (X)

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Table 1. Hydroacoustic field data for Columbia River surveys of April, May, and July, 1977 near Hanford

Date	Transect	Start time	Sounder gain	Boat speed (m/s)	Weather (Sky/wind)
4-28	1-1	1124	7.0	1.975	Partly cloudy/slight breeze
4-28	1-2	1140	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
4-28	1-3	1158	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
4-28	1-4	1202	7.0	1.235	Partly cloudy
4-28	1-5	1217	7.0	1.738	Partly cloudy
4-28	1-6	1225	7.0	1.674	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-7	1029	7.0	1.994	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-8	1035	7.0	2.024	Partly cloudy
4-29	*1-9	1058	7.0	1.957	Partly cloudy
4-29	*1-10	1060	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-11	1114	7.0	1.987	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-12	1121	7.0	1.966	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-13	2342	7.0	1.878	Partly cloudy
4-29	1-14	2348	7.0	2.012	Partly cloudy
4-30	1-15	0010	7.0	1.933	Partly cloudy
4-30	1-16	0016	7.0	1.957	Partly cloudy
4-30	*1-17	0025	7.0	1.842	Partly cloudy
4-30	*1-18	0030	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
4-30	1-19	0046	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
4-30	1-20	0052	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-1	0940	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-2	0958	7.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-3	1019	7.0	1.966	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-4	1030	7.0	1.885	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-5	1121	8.0	1.966	Partly cloudy/slight breeze
5-24	2-6	1129	8.0	2.061	Partly cloudy
5-24	*2-7	1147	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-8	1207	8.0	2.140	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-9	1215	8.0	2.061	Partly cloudy
5-24	*2-10	1239	8.0	2.073	Partly cloudy
5-24	*2-11	1241	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-24	2-12	2347	8.0	2.149	Partly cloudy/mod. wind
5-24	2-13	2354	8.0	2.060	Partly cloudy
5-25	*2-14	0039	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-25	*2-15	0042	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-25	2-16	0053	8.0	2.173	Partly cloudy
5-25	2-17	0100	8.0	2.262	Partly cloudy
5-25	2-18	0828	8.0	2.190	Partly cloudy/slight breeze
5-25	2-19	0834	8.0	2.150	Partly cloudy
5-25	*2-20	0848	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-25	*2-21	0852	8.0	--	Partly cloudy
5-25	*2-22	0910	8.0	2.178	Partly cloudy
5-25	2-23	0917	8.0	2.190	Partly cloudy
5-25	2-24	2325	8.0	2.354	Overcast/mod. wind
5-25	2-25	2335	8.0	2.299	Overcast

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Date	Transect	Start time	Sounder gain	Boat speed (m/s)	Weather (Sky/wind)
5-26	*2-26	0025	8.0	--	Overcast
5-26	*2-27	--	--	--	Overcast
5-26	2-28	0030	8.0	--	Overcast
5-26	2-29	0037	8.0	--	Overcast
7-27	3-1	1800	7.5	2.564	Clear/calm
7-27	3-2	1806	7.5	2.564	Clear/calm
7-27	*3-3	1826	7.5	0.972	Clear/calm
7-27	*3-4	1829	7.5	--	Clear/calm
7-27	3-5	1837	7.5	2.496	Clear/calm
7-27	3-6	1842	7.5	2.638	Clear/calm
7-27	3-7	2212	7.5	2.260	Clear/calm
7-27	3-8	2218	7.5	2.002	Clear/calm
7-27	*3-9	2242	7.5	1.965	Clear/calm
7-27	*3-10	2245	7.5	--	Clear/calm
7-27	3-11	2254	7.5	2.262	Clear/calm
7-27	3-12	2259	7.5	2.211	Clear/calm

* Excessive bubble noise.

A counting threshold was established to account for one-way acoustic spreading loss. The counting threshold is illustrated in Fig. 5. Target counting was executed by recording the total number of insonifications above the target threshold. The resulting counts are tabulated in Appendix A.

The relative densities for each transect were determined by the method described by Nunnallee (1973), incorporating an effective pulse volume based on an assumed beam angle of 22°. The density of fish/1000 m³ is derived by the following equation:

$$\text{Fish/1000 m}^3 = \frac{(1000)(\text{total detections in stratum } i)}{(\text{effective pulse volume stratum } i)(\# \text{ sonic transmissions})}$$

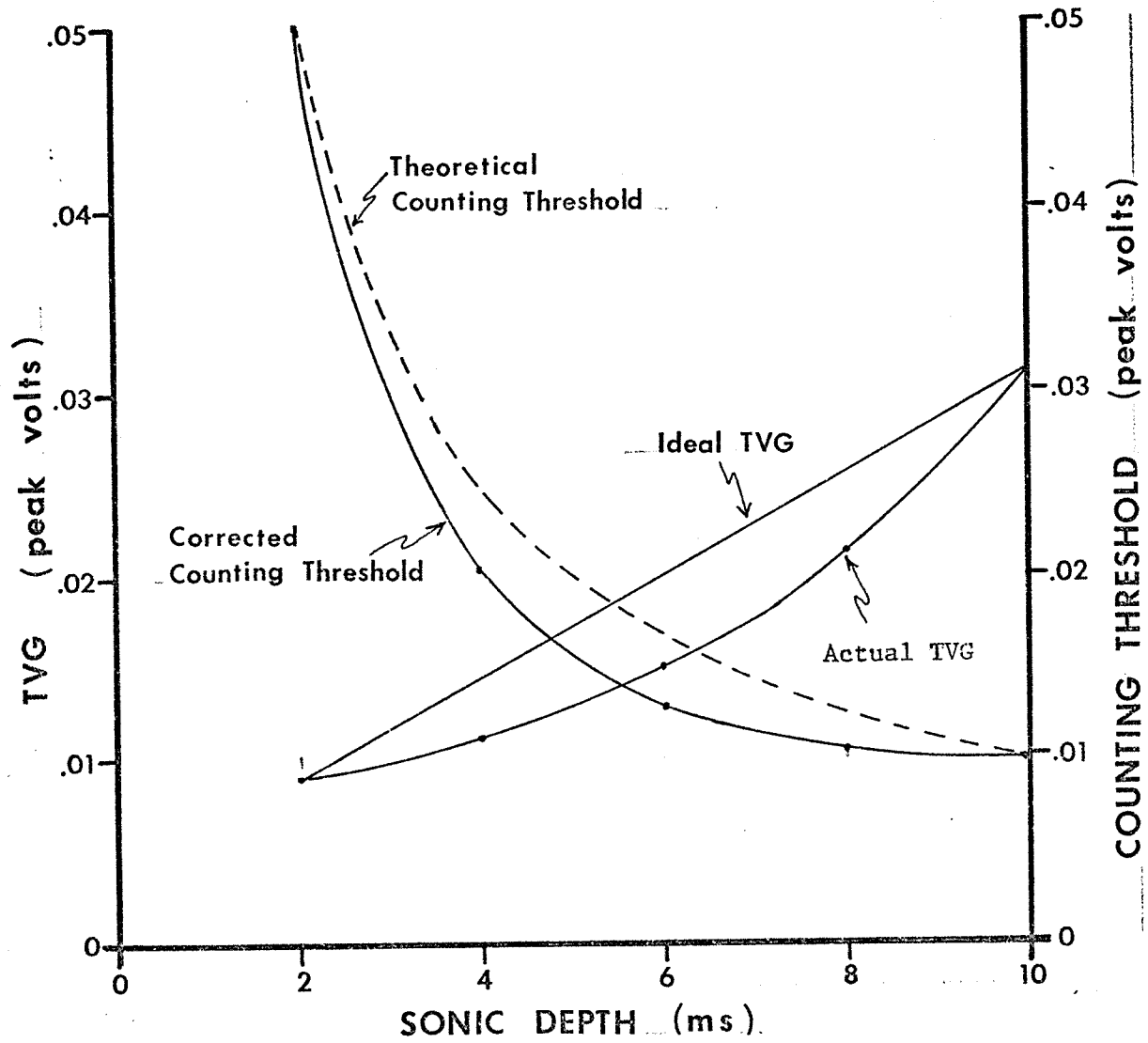


Fig. 5. Counting threshold referenced to a noise level of 0.01 volt peak at 10 milliseconds.

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Date	Hour	Elevation (feet)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (CFS x 10 ³)	Mean flow (CFS x 10 ³)
4-28	00	398.6	10.0	51.1	
	01				
	02	400.3	9.6	64.2	
	03				
	04	398.7	9.8	51.8	
	05				
	06	398.2	9.7	48.2	
	07				
	08	398.8	9.8	52.5	
	09				
	10	401.0	9.8	70.2	
	11				
	12	402.4	9.9	83.1	
	13				
	14	403.0	10.1	89.0	
	15				
	16	400.2	10.3	63.4	
	17				
	18	400.5	10.1	65.9	
	19				
	20	401.5	10.1	74.6	
	21				
	22	399.8	10.2	60.1	64.5
23					
4-29	00	402.3	10.0	82.1	
	01				
	02	398.4	10.4	49.6	
	03				
	04	397.0	10.3	40.5	
	05				
	06	397.6	9.9	58.6	
	07				
	08	400.9	10.0	69.3	
	09				
	10	401.4	10.1	73.7	
	11				
	12	404.0	10.2	99.4	
	13				
	14	404.6	10.0	106.0	
	15				
	16	401.2	10.2	71.9	
	17				
	18	401.5	10.1	74.6	
	19				
	20	402.0	10.1	79.2	
	21				
	22	399.5	10.1	57.8	71.9
23					

Table 2. Flow data collected from Priest Rapids Dam on the Columbia River for 1977 - Continued

Date	Hour	Elevation (feet)	Temperature (°C)	Flow (CFS x 10 ³)	Mean flow (CFS x 10 ³)
5-24	00	403.8	11.6	97.2	
	01				
	02	403.4	11.3	93.0	
	03				
	04	403.6	11.4	95.0	
	05				
	06	402.8	11.3	87.0	
	07				
	08	404.4	11.2	103.8	
	09				
	10	404.7	11.5	107.1	
	11				
	12	406.2	11.4	124.8	
	13				
	14	408.6	11.4	156.1	
	15				
	16	407.2	11.3	137.4	
	17				
	18	408.0	11.3	147.8	
	19				
	20	409.0	11.4	161.7	
	21				
	22	406.9	11.3	133.5	120.4
23					
5-25	00	406.2	11.5	124.8	
	01				
	02	406.2	11.5	124.8	
	03				
	04	405.3	11.5	114.0	
	05				
	06	405.8	11.5	120.0	
	07				
	08	405.8	11.5	120.0	
	09				
	10	404.8	11.6	108.2	
	11				
	12	402.7	11.8	86.0	
	13				
	14	402.0	12.0	79.2	
	15				
	16	403.9	11.6	98.3	
	17				
	18	406.2	12.0	124.8	
	19				
	20	407.3	12.0	138.7	
	21				
	22	408.6	11.8	156.1	116.2
23					

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5-26	00	407.7	11.7	143.9	
	01				
	02	407.0	11.8	134.8	
	03				
	04	404.3	11.6	102.7	
	05				
	06	402.4	11.7	83.1	
	07				
	08	405.2	11.7	112.8	
	09				
	10	405.5	11.9	116.4	
	11				
	12	406.9	11.9	133.5	
	13				
	14	405.2	12.0	112.8	
	15				
	16	405.6	12.0	117.6	
	17				
	18	405.8	11.8	120.0	
	19				
	20	406.4	11.8	127.2	
	21				
	22	408.2	11.6	150.5	121.75
23					
7-27	00	402.6	17.0	85.0	
	01				
	02	400.2	17.3	63.4	
	03				
	04	399.8	17.6	60.1	
	05				
	06	399.7	17.7	59.3	
	07				
	08	399.6	17.8	58.6	
	09				
	10	401.5	17.8	74.6	
	11				
	12	404.9	17.5	109.3	
	13				
	14	405.8	17.6	120.0	
	15				
	16	404.4	17.5	103.8	
	17				
	18	404.6	17.5	106.0	
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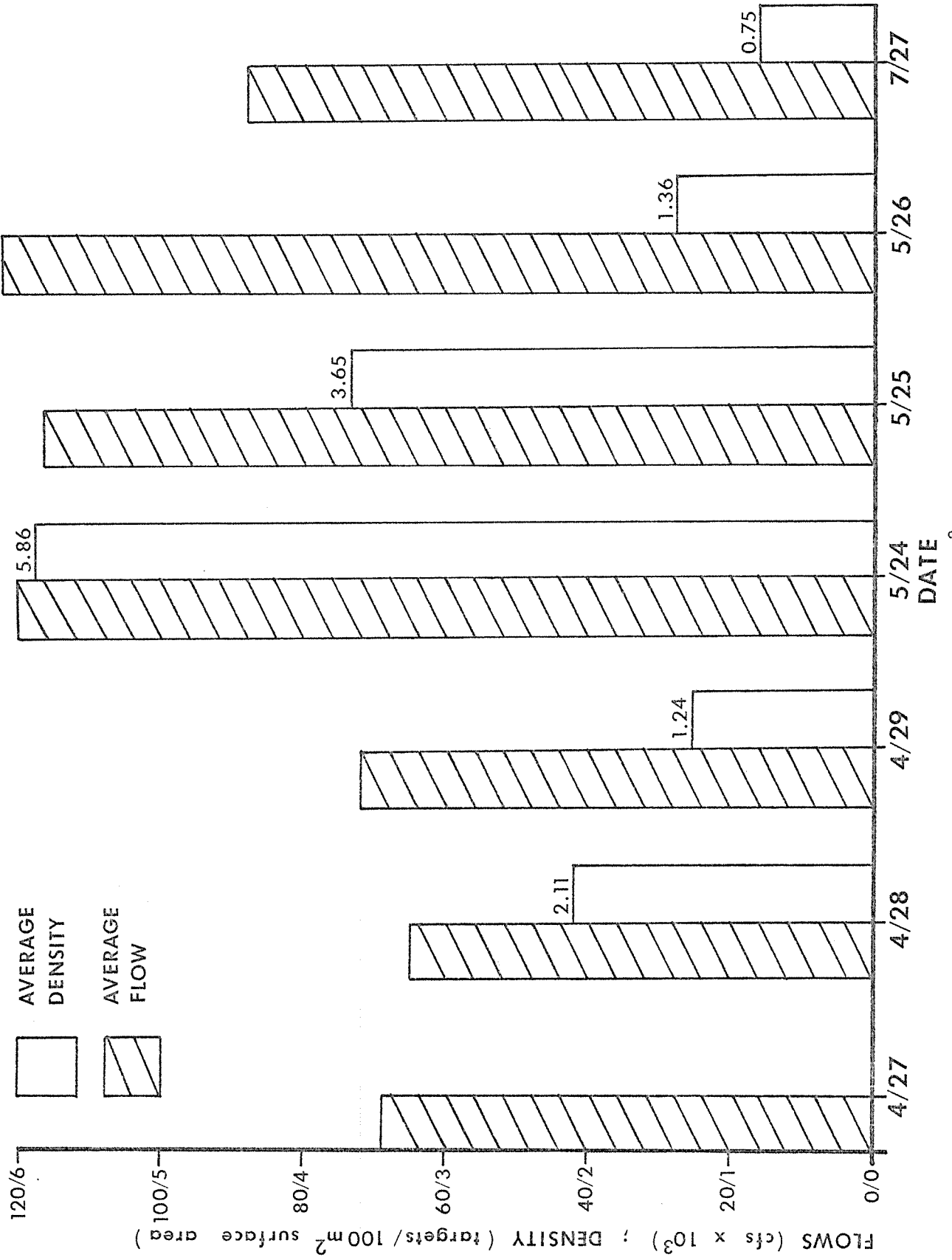


Fig. 6. Flows and target densities (targets/100 m²) for Columbia River near Hanford.

DISCUSSION

The conventional hydroacoustic data acquisition system described earlier has limited applicability in the shallow lotic habitat of the Columbia River at Hanford. The presence of excess surface bubble noise, presumably generated by swift currents, is highly suspect. The densities of counted targets exceeding a counting threshold level referenced to ambient noise at the maximum depth of interest suggests the presence of bubbles in the upper two strata of the water column. In addition, about 30% of the transect sections were completely masked by bubble noise particularly in the 100-N forebay and downstream from the 100-N mid-river discharge.

Navigation on the Columbia River near the 100-N area also presented a problem. Due to the swift variable current, it was difficult to maintain a steady course while crossing the river. The currents not only varied between surveys but within a given transect. This phenomena makes good quantitative work difficult, as effective sample volume is dependent upon boat speed as described by Nunnallee (1973).

Conventional echosounding may yield relative distributional information, but the aspect of quantitative assessment appears clouded primarily by the presence of surface turbulence. Visual observations indicated that the juvenile chinook were primarily on the surface near shore. Other methods of sampling, i.e., electroshocking failed to produce any juveniles in the vicinity of the 100-N area in mid-river at transect 1. It appears as though the juveniles are not accessible by the down-looking echosounder since the minimum range of the sounder is approximately 1.5 m. Distributional information would then be derived primarily from those fish which ventured into the deeper waters by chance or current influence.

Side-looking tests conducted during the second survey (May) apparently indicated a higher susceptibility to surface noise using the conventional echosounding system. Therefore, further investigation and modification of existing equipment is needed.

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APPENDICES

APPENDIX A

Target counts at 150 sonic transmission intervals
across each transect.

APPENDIX A

Tape #1

Counts - Hanford Survey

Transect number	8-4-77						Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	600-750	750-900	
1	Noise	Noise	3 0 0 0 0	2 0 0 0 0	Stop 59		(27)
2	5 0 Start 73 3 0 1 (60)	Noise at 203	Noise Stop 111				(60)
3	5 Start 62 0 0 1 0 (40)	20 Noise					(40)
4	7 2 0 0 0 (60)	0 0 0 0 0	9				(30)
5	12 2 0 0 0 (93)	10 1 0 0 0 (73)	4 0 0 0 0	11 1 0 0 0 (27)	42 Too shallow		(68.25)
6	2 0 0 0 0 (13)	1 2 0 0 0 (20)	10 0 0 0 0	10 0 0 0 0 (67)	131		(44)
7	Noise	Noise	5 1 0 0 0 (47)	127			(47)
8	5 2 0 1 0 (53)	Noise	Noise	46			(53)
9	101 Noise						
10	108 Noise						

Tape #1 - Continued

Counts - Hanford Survey

Transect number	8-4-77						Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	600-750	750-800	
11	4	3	5	0	22		
	0	1	0	0			
	0	0	0	0			(21.75)
	0	0	0	0			
	0 (27)	0 (27)	0 (33)	0 (0)			
12	3	6	2	119			
	0	0	0				
	0	0	0				(25.67)
	0	0	0				
	0 (20)	0 (40)	0 (17)				
13		2	0	77			
		1	0				
	Noise	1	0				(16.5)
		2	0				
		0 (33)	0 (0)				
14	0			89			
	0						
	0	Noise	Noise				(0)
	0						
	0 (0)						
15			2	0	20		
			0	0			
	Noise	Noise	0	0			(13.5)
			2	0			
			0 (27)	0 (0)			
16	1						
	1						
	1	Noise	Noise				(20)
	1						
	2 (40)						
17	Noise						
18	Noise						
19	0	0	2	0	11		
	0	0	0	0			
	0	1	0	0			(8.5)
	0	0	0	0			
	0 (0)	0 (7)	2 (27)	0 (0)			
20	0	0	0	119			
	0	0	0				
	0	2	0				(13.33)
	3	1	0				
	0 (20)	0 (20)	0 (0)				

Tape #3

Counts - Hanford Survey

Transect number						8-12-77	
	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	600-750	750-900	Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
1	4	2	4	125			
	0	0	2				
	0	0	0				(26.33)
	0	0	0				
	0 (26)	0 (13)	0 (40)				
2	3	1	2	35			
	0	0	1				
	0	0	0	Noise			(15.67)
	0	0	0				
	0 (20)	0 (7)	0 (20)				
3	Noise						
4	Noise						
5	2	4	0	38			
	1	0	0				
	0	1	0				(37.67)
	0	5	0				
	0 (20)	4 (93)	0 (0)				
6	1	1					
	2	1					
	2	0					(46.5)
	3	0					
	4 (80)	0 (13)					
7	1	2	0	135			
	1	0	1				
	0	0	0				(11)
	0	0	0				
	0 (13)	0 (13)	0 (7)				
8	4	3	1		0	17	
	0	2	1		0		
	0	0	0	Noise	0		(18)
	0	0	0		0		
	0 (26)	0 (33)	0 (13)		0 (0)		
9	Noise						
10	Noise						

Tape #3 - Continued

Counts - Hanford Survey

8-12-77

Transect number	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	Cal tone 600-750	.4 vp-p @ 50 ms 750-900	Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
11	0	3	0	65			
	1	1	0				
	0	1	0				(20)
	0	1	0				
	0 (7)	2 (53)	0 (0)				
12	1	0	0	22			
	1	0	0				
	1	0	0				(9)
	0	0	0				
	1 (27)	0 (0)	0 (0)				

Tape #2

Counts - Hanford Survey

8-4-77

Cal tone 1 v pp Average index
.1 v/div @ 50 ms fish/10³ pingsTransect
number 0-150 150-300 300-450 450-600 600-750 750-900 in parentheses

1	5	70						
	9							
	5							(127)
	0							
	0	(127)						

2	1	49						
	6	Noise on						
	1	last						
	0	half						
	0							

3	4		12	11	15	8	116		
	11		9	7	9	4			
	2		5	2	5	0		(148.4)	
	0		0	1	3	0			
	0	(113)	0	(173)	0	(140)	0	(213)	0

4	12		13	7	7	133		
	8		5	12	7			
	7		6	2	2			(151.75)
	0		0	0	1			
	0	(180)	0	(160)	0	(140)	2	(127)

5	16		20	22	12	13	100		
	15		18	14	10	1			
	1		3	6	4	0		(222.6)	
	0		1	1	2	0			
	0	(213)	0	(280)	0	(287)	1	(193)	0

6	20		16	15	19			
	3		7	10	13			
	2		3	1	3			(189.75)
	1		1	0	0			
	0	(173)	0	(180)	0	(173)	0	(233)

Cancel
due to
noise

7

8	22		22	30	18	182		
	7		14	13	12			
	0		1	2	5			(253)
	1		0	0	0			
	0	(200)	0	(247)	0	(300)	0	(265)

High degree of back-ground noise

9	16		29	28	13			
	14		14	20	12			
	2		7	3	5	Noise		(285)
	2		1	0	0			
	0	(227)	0	(340)	0	(340)	0	(233)

Noise 10

Transect number	8-4-77						Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	Cal tone .1 v/div @ 50 ms	1 v pp 750-900	
11		3	3	4	3	92	
	Noise	1	0	1	0		
		0	0	1	0		(25.5)
		0	0	0	0		
		0 (27)	0 (2)	0 (40)	0 (33)		
12	2	6	4				
	1	1	2				
	0	0	0	Noise	Noise	Noise	(35.67)
	0	0	0				
	0 (20)	0 (47)	0 (40)				
13	Cancel due to noise						
14	Cancel due to noise						
15	0	1	0	3		48	
	0	0	2	1			
	0	1	0	0	Noise		(25)
	0	0	0	0			
	0 (0)	0 (13)	7 (60)	0 (27)			
16	2	2	1	0			
	1	0	0	0			
	1	0	0	0			(11.75)
	0	0	0	0			
	0 (27)	0 (13)	0 (7)	0 (0)			
17	19	22	16	9	76		
	3	4	1	0			
	0	1	0	0			(148)
	0	0	1	0			
	0 (147)	1 (187)	3 (140)	0 (118)			
18	23	20	17	2	31		
	2 Noisy	9	6	0			
	1 back-	0	0	0			(103.25)
	0 ground	4	0	0			
	0 (173)	0 (22)	0 (153)	0 (65)			
19	Cancel due to noise						
20	Cancel due to noise						

Tape #2 - Continued

Transect number					Cal tone 1 v pp .1 v/div @ 50 ms		Average index fish/10 ³ pings in parentheses
	0-150	150-300	300-450	450-600	600-750	750-900	
21	Noise	Noise	Noise	Noise ¹⁰³			
	31	37	30	25	3	78	
	8	13	5	6	0		
22.	0	0	0	0	0		(214.2)
	0	0	0	0	0		
	0 (260)	0 (333)	0 (233)	0 (207)	0	(38)	
	6	22	9	0	47		
	2	4	5	1			
23	0	0	0	0			(85)
	0	0	0	0			
	0 (53)	0 (173)	0 (93)	0 (21)			
	8					121	
	1						
24	1	Noise	Noise	Noise	Noise		(67)
	0						
	0 (67)						
25	Cancel due to noise						
26	Cancel due to noise						
	10	2			38		
	2	0					
27	0	0	Noise	Noise			(46.5)
	0	0					
	0 (80)	0 (13)					
	5	2	1	1	29		
	0	1	0	1			
28	0	2	0	0			(40.5)
	3	0	0	0			
	0 (53)	0 (33)	0 (7)	0 (69)			

APPENDIX B

Target densities in targets/are and targets /1000 m³

HANFORD SURVEY, TAPE #1 TRANSECTS = 1-12 1-13 1-14 1-15 1-16 1-19 1-20

TIME INTERVALS OF VARIABLE DURATION

DENSITY PER 100 SQUARE METERS SURFACE AREA

DEPTH (METER)	INTERVAL: 1-12	1-13	1-14	1-15	1-16	1-19	1-20
1 - 3	1.37358	.41161	.00000	.64681	.37730	.21059	.00000
3 - 4	.00000	.08414	.00000	.00000	.18663	.00000	.00000
4 - 6	.00000	.06583	.00000	.00000	.11271	.06047	.13524
6 - 7	.00000	.11197	.00000	.14628	.07557	.00000	.19504
7 - 9	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.13083	.07430	.00000
TOTAL	1.37358	.67356	.00000	.79309	.88305	.34536	.33028

DENSITY PER 1000 CUBIC METERS

DEPTH (METER)	INTERVAL: 1-12	1-13	1-14	1-15	1-16	1-19	1-20
1 - 3	9.34410	2.80010	.00000	4.40010	2.56670	1.43260	.00000
3 - 4	.00000	.57630	.00000	.00000	1.27830	.00000	.00000
4 - 6	.00000	.45090	.00000	.00000	.77200	.41420	.92630
6 - 7	.00000	.76170	.00000	.99510	.51410	.00000	1.32680
7 - 9	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.89610	.50890	.00000

HANFORD SURVEY, TAPE #2 TRANSECTS = 2-1 2-2 2-3 2-4 2-5 2-6 2-8 2-9 2-12

TIME INTERVALS OF VARIABLE DURATION

DENSITY PER 100 SQUARE METERS SURFACE AREA

DEPTH (METER)	2-1	2-2	2-3	2-4	2-5	2-6	2-8	2-9	2-12
1 -	14.32749	4.38597	15.07103	14.37663	4.97385	4.77002	6.45259	4.87922	1.00141
3 -	9.17277	9.35997	4.84562	5.18236	1.37509	.89124	1.21307	1.17237	.06091
4 -	2.60360	.79703	1.61883	1.40661	.22064	.15569	.00000	1.94548	.03647
6 -	.00000	.00000	.41952	.10262	.07256	.04798	.00000	.00000	.00000
7 -	.00000	.00000	.00000	.22897	.01917	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000
TOTAL	26.10386	14.54297	21.95501	21.29719	6.66130	5.86494	7.66566	7.99707	1.09879

DENSITY PER 1000 CUBIC METERS

DEPTH (METER)	2-1	2-2	2-3	2-4	2-5	2-6	2-8	2-9	2-12
1 -	97.46590	29.83650	102.52400	97.80020	33.83570	32.44910	43.89520	33.19200	6.81230
3 -	62.82720	64.10940	33.18920	35.49560	9.41840	6.10440	8.30870	8.02990	.41720
4 -	17.83290	5.45910	11.08790	9.63430	1.51120	1.06640	.00000	13.32520	.24980
6 -	.00000	.00000	2.85390	.69810	.49360	.32640	.00000	.00000	.00000
7 -	.00000	.00000	.00000	1.56830	.13130	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000

HANFORD SURVEY TAPE = 2 TRANSECTS = 2-13 2-16 2-17 2-18 2-19 2-23 2-24 2-25 2-28

TIME INTERVALS OF VARIABLE DURATION

DENSITY PER 100 SQUARE METERS SURFACE AREA

DEPTH (METER)	2-13	2-16	2-17	2-18	2-19	2-23	2-24	2-25	2-28
1	1.08665	.27167	.43816	5.54530	5.56492	7.68629	3.07700	2.18789	1.62998
3	.13896	.08350	.03595	.27727	.63780	1.02153	.38992	.11462	.09705
4	.00000	.01952	.02424	.03365	.03957	.00000	.00000	.11443	.00000
6	.00000	.00000	.00000	.03024	.16341	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000
7	.00000	.11573	.00000	.09786	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000
TOTAL	1.22562	.49042	.49834	5.98432	6.40569	8.70782	3.46693	2.41695	1.72703

DENSITY PER 1000 CUBIC METERS

DEPTH (METER)	2-13	2-16	2-17	2-18	2-19	2-23	2-24	2-25	2-28
1	7.32220	1.84810	2.98070	37.72310	37.85660	52.28770	20.93200	14.88360	11.08830
3	.95180	.57190	.24620	1.89910	4.36850	6.99680	2.67070	.78510	.66470
4	.00000	.13370	.16600	.23050	.27100	.00000	.00000	.78380	.00000
6	.00000	.00000	.00000	.20570	1.11160	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000
7	.00000	.79270	.00000	.67030	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000	.00000

HANFORD SURVEY, TAPE #2 TRANSECTS = 2-29
 TIME INTERVALS OF VARIABLE DURATION
 DENSITY PER 100 SQUARE METERS SURFACE AREA

DEPTH (METER)	INTERVAL: 2-29
1 - 3	.76405
3 - 4	.06693
4 - 6	.06763
6 - 7	.09514
7 - 9	.00000
TOTAL	.99374

DENSITY PER 1000 CUBIC METERS

DEPTH (METER)	INTERVAL: 2-29
1 - 3	5.19760
3 - 4	.45840
4 - 6	.46320
6 - 7	.64720
7 - 9	.00000

HANFORD SURVEY, TAPE #3 TRANSECTS = 3-1 3-2 3-5 3-6 3-7 3-8 3-11 3-12

TIME INTERVALS OF VARIABLE DURATION

DENSITY PER 100 SQUARE METERS SURFACE AREA

DEPTH (METER)	3-1	3-2	3-5	3-6	3-7	3-8	3-11	3-12
1 -	.95881	.50412	.75230	.27167	.28233	.69806	.35129	.12616
3 -	.10324	.03967	.05392	.15997	.10324	.19323	.11112	.05514
4 -	.00000	.00000	.05390	.00000	.00000	.00000	.05999	.06097
6 -	.00000	.00000	.29068	.17005	.00000	.00000	.05273	.00000
7 -	.00000	.00000	.17701	.18237	.00000	.00000	.08851	.05100
TOTAL	1.06204	.54379	1.32781	.91013	.38556	.89129	.66363	.29327

DENSITY PER 1000 CUBIC METERS

DEPTH (METER)	3-1	3-2	3-5	3-6	3-7	3-8	3-11	3-12
1 -	6.52250	3.42940	5.11770	1.84810	1.92060	4.74870	2.38970	.85820
3 -	.70710	.27170	.36930	1.09570	.70710	1.32350	.76110	.37770
4 -	.00000	.00000	.36920	.86350	.00000	.00000	.41090	.41760
6 -	.00000	.00000	1.97740	1.15680	.00000	.00000	.35870	.00000
7 -	.00000	.00000	1.21240	1.24910	.00000	.00000	.60620	.34930