



HB 2343A: Columbia River Basin Endorsement Extension

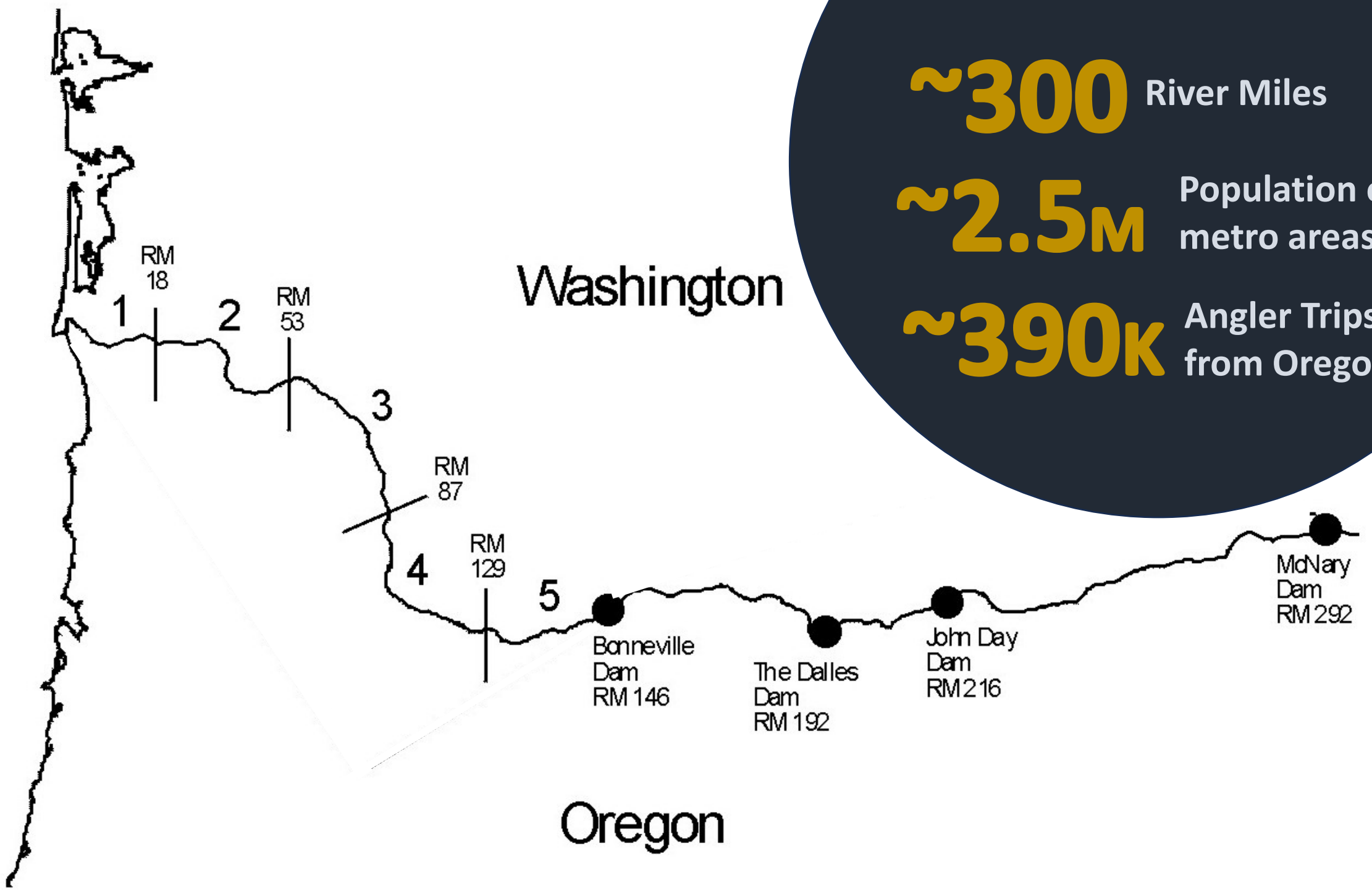
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Pacific Ocean



~300 River Miles

~2.5M Population of metro areas

~390k Angler Trips from Oregon



Columbia River Fisheries

Complex mixed stock fishery

32 Salmon/Steelhead stocks

13 ESA Listed stocks





Columbia River Fisheries

Complex, intensively managed

State, Tribal, Federal, &
International Management

Endangered Species Act

Manage within allowed take
limits for listed species

OR/WA Commission

Non-treaty fishery policy and
rules



US v Oregon

Sharing obligations with Tribes

Columbia River Compact

Sets non-treaty seasons and
regulations



Columbia River Fisheries

Oregon Management Framework

Commission Policy (2017)

- Maintain recreational fishery priority in mainstem
 - Provide for an economically viable commercial fishery, but limit use of gillnets in mainstem
- 80/20 recreational/commercial in spring/summer
 - 70/30 recreational/commercial in fall
 - Focuses majority of commercial fishery off-channel on enhanced hatchery production
 - In last 5 years have allowed avg of 19 days of mainstem fishing using gillnets



Columbia River Basin Endorsement

Supports management costs

\$9.75 year

\$1 Day

Free for disabled veterans,
pioneer licenses, and youth





CRBE Benefits



Hatchery Production

~12M

Salmon released in
off channel areas

- ~34% of harvested fish caught by recreational anglers
- Allowed transition of majority of gill-nets off mainstem



Fishery Monitoring

18

Full time and seasonal
monitoring positions

- Vital to maintaining recreational fishery opportunity.



Enforcement

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Full Time Troopers

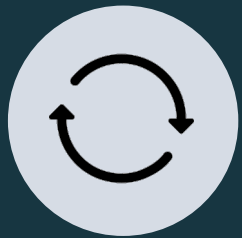
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Hours Enforcing Sport
& Commercial
Fisheries



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Columbia River Basin Endorsement Extension



Extends sunset on Endorsement (2032)

- Maintains youth license and pioneer license exemptions
- Continues the provisions of SB 59A