

**PERMIT ALTERATION REQUEST FORM**

**I. IDENTIFICATION OF APPLICANT**

**A. Applicant Information**

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**B. Hatchery Information**

<u>Sawmill Creek Hatchery</u> Hatchery Name	<u>#44</u> PNP Permit Number
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**II. STATEMENT OF APPLICANT'S GOALS AND OBJECTIVES**

Describe the nature of the requested alteration, why you decided to request it, and what you generally expect to accomplish by the alteration to your program.

This PAR request seeks to add the Keta River stock of Chinook to the Sawmill Creek Hatchery (SCH) permit to be released at permitted locations. The reason for this request is two fold. 1) NSRAA's ultimate goal with the expansion of the SCH facility is to utilize the heated recirculating rearing system to produce zero check Keta stock Chinook. 2) While the completion of the expansion facility is still a couple years out, the uncertainty of the continued operations at Little Port Walter (LPW) justifies having a possible alternate location for the stocks continued development. The performance of the stock at Hidden Falls is unknown, and if LPW is no longer a viable option for release, the production at SCH could serve as another broodstock source.

Please answer the following questions.

How do you anticipate that the proposed project will affect wild salmon stocks and existing fisheries?

There are no expected impacts to wild stocks or well established fisheries.

For new projects and changes to existing projects, how will the potential effects and interactions between hatchery-produced stocks and wild stocks be assessed?

There are no local wild Chinook stocks in the area so no assessment is proposed.

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What marking and recovery studies are being proposed that will allow the project to be evaluated?

Evaluation will be conducted as outlined in Annual Management Plans regarding tagging, otolith marking, and recoveries. If used as a backup brood source, the production may be 100% CWT to allow for stock analysis at spawning.

Has this project been discussed with department area or regional management biologists or other staff?

Not to date.

**III. IMPACTS ON THE EXISTING HATCHERY PROGRAM**

**A. Present Permitted Capacity**  
(numbers of green eggs by species)

Pink	_____	Coho	4,332,000
Chum	30,000,000	Chinook	2,000,000
Sockeye	_____	Other	_____

**B. Capacity After Request**  
(numbers of green eggs by species)

Pink	_____	Coho	No Change
Chum	No Change	Chinook	No Change
Sockeye	_____	Other	_____

**C. Water Use**

**1. List the total amount of water available and the source.**

20 cfs max, 14 cfs average. Blue Lake penstock, Blue Lake Hydro afterbay, and Sawmill Creek are the possible sources. The Blue Lake penstock is the primamry source.

**2. List the amount of water presently being used.**

Approximately 12cfs

**3. List the additional amount of water needed for this alteration.**

No additional water required.

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IV. **HATCHERY DESIGN**

- A. Please provide a detailed description of new facilities needed with this alteration (e.g., buildings, incubators, rearing space, piping, etc.). This description should represent a solid concept of the proposed hatchery changes/expansion. Drawings showing the layout of new structures should be attached when appropriate.

No new facilities required. Sawmill Creek Hatchery is currently in the process of expanding the facility with a new rearing and incubation building capable of producing up to 2 million zero check Chinook. Depending on timeline, this newly created space would be utilized for the Keta Stock Chinook. If necessary, existing rearing space could be utilized for smaller production lots. There is adequate saltwater rearing space using existing infrastructure.

V. **DECLARATION AND SIGNATURE**

I declare that the information given in this application is, to my knowledge, true, correct, and complete.

Adam Olson

Name of Applicant

2/3/2026

Date Signed

*Adam Olson*

Signature of Applicant