

Limiting Factor Report

This report contains a list of limiting factors by watershed (HUC5) as generated during multiple processes. These factors have been described as impediments to fish productivity or abundance that occur in the tributary habitat of the species. They pertain to salmon, generally Chinook or Steelhead, that spawn, rear, or migrate through these watersheds. We provide these lists here for Tribal PCSRF project solicitors so that they may use them as needed for project selection and design, and also for documentation of how projects will meet the objectives to remedy limiting factors in their areas. Because limiting factor definitions were not standardized between these different sources, they are provided here as separate lists.

Up to three sources of limiting factors are provided here, although not all basins were assessed for each process:

1) Subbasin Planning: Limiting Factors were identified at CRITFC as they were documented in the 2001/2002 Subbasin Plans. Generally, this information was generated for Ecosystems Diagnosis & Treatment (EDT) or Qualitative Habitat and Analysis (QHA) modeling of subbasin processes, but in many cases the Subbasin Planners edited these lists for publication in the Subbasin Plans according to their knowledge.

2) Tribal Remand Process: During the Tribal response and habitat action proposal process of the BiOp Remand, Tribal biologists identified limiting factors by watershed that affect Chinook and Steelhead habitat. These limiting factors were used to assess the potential benefit for survival improvement if habitat actions occur. These lists of limiting factors are provided here.

3) NOAA Technical Recovery Team: We have been assured that NOAA will generate a standardized set of limited factors for use, probably during the Fall of 2007. When these lists are made available, we will add them here.

Limiting Factors identified by Tribes during Remand by Watershed

HUC4: Lochsa (17060303)

Watershed Crooked Fork (1706030301)
(HUC5): Creek

Limiting Factor:

Connectivity - Lack of access to di
Temperature and Instream Habitat -
Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Channel Slope
Temperature

Watershed Colt Killed (1706030302)
(HUC5): Creek

Limiting Factor:

Channel Slope
Temperature
Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Instream Habitat-poor quality pools

Watershed Upper Lochsa (1706030303)
(HUC5): River

Limiting Factor:

Channel Slope
Temperature
Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Loss of riparian vegetation and co
Lack of passage - Lack of access to

Watershed Warm Springs (1706030304)
(HUC5): Creek

Limiting Factor:

Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Temperature
Channel Slope

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Watershed Middle Lochsa (1706030305)
(HUC5): River

Limiting Factor:

Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Temperature
Loss of riparian vegetation and co
Lack of passage - Lack of access to
Channel Slope

Watershed Fish Creek (1706030306)
(HUC5):

Limiting Factor:

Temperature
Channel Slope
Sediment effects on rearing and spa

Watershed Lower Lochsa (1706030307)
(HUC5): River

Limiting Factor:

Temperature
Lack of passage - Lack of access to
Sediment effects on rearing and spa
Channel Slope
Loss of riparian vegetation and co
