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#### ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REPORT

State: COLORADO

**Project#: F-86-R-33** 

Project Title: Statewide Fisheries Inventory and Surveys

Period Covered: January 1, 2020 - December 31, 2020

## **Project Objective:**

To conduct monitoring and creel surveys on recreational fisheries to track fish population status and angler use on lakes and streams across Colorado.

## Relationship with Other Grants:

This project was formerly tied to Federal Aid Grant F-239 - Aquatic Data Analysis; however, the F-239 project was removed from Federal Aid in 2019 and is now funded by State license revenues. The F-86 grant contributes to the funding of fieldwork and data entry related to recreational and sportfish surveys. The data collected from those and other efforts are stored in CPW's centralized Aquatic DAta MAnagement System (ADAMAS), which was formerly funded under the F-239 grant but is now funded by game cash. The statistics for this report are generated from data stored within the ADAMAS database. Additional sources of data (aquatic species conservation surveys, aquatic research data, and scientific collection permit data) are also held in ADAMAS, but are not included in this report.

## Job No. 1. Statewide Stream and lake inventory and data collection

Inventory fish populations on selected public lakes and streams. Compilation of this data allows Colorado Parks and Wildlife (CPW) to assess and evaluate the success of fisheries management activities, including fish stocking, special regulations, and fish removal on selected lakes and streams.

**Job Objective:** The development, implementation, and evaluation of management strategies for those fish populations and waters managed to provide recreational sport fishing, or those waters having the potential for enhancement based on an evaluation of results of inventory and data collection.

**Need:** Management of the state's vast aquatic resources requires standardized data collection and analysis procedures, as well as a centralized data source that is easily accessible to biologists, managers, and researchers.

## **Specific Objectives:**

- 1. Gather population and biomass estimates of recreational fish species by conducting backpack, barge, and shore-based electrofishing surveys on select stream reaches
- 2. Collect vital population statistics of recreational fish species using Catch Per Unit Effort

surveys (involving boat electrofishing, gill nets, and trap nets) on select lakes and reservoirs **Approach:** 

Action #1- Maintain current and accurate data from aquatic biological surveys statewide

- Level 1 Action Category Data Collection and Analysis
- Level 2 Action Strategy Research, Survey, or monitoring-fish & wildlife populations
- Level 3 Action Activity N/A

Despite a myriad of difficulties associated with the global COVID-19 pandemic, a total of 460 sportfish surveys were conducted on 157 lakes and 143 stream segments during the grant period. A breakdown of these surveys by region and water type is provided in Table 1. A total of 80,029 fish were enumerated, with 57,215 of those being individually measured in these surveys. These surveys can be divided into three general categories; 35.4% generated a population estimate for at least some of the species captured in the survey, 43.9% provided a Catch Per Unit Effort (CPUE) index, and 20.7% just looked at what species were present at the specific site. A spatial summary of this work is provided in Figures 1 and 2. This level of effort is less than that performed in previous years, but as mentioned earlier, was hindered by all the work restrictions surrounding the global COVID-19 pandemic (Table 2). A summary of the total catch for the four most popular recreational sportfish families is provided in Figure 3.

Table 1. Breakdown by region of fisheries surveys conducted by CPW in 2020.

Year	Region	WaterType	#Surveys	#Creels
2020	Northeast	Lake	72	1
2020	Northeast	Stream	48	
2020	Northwest	Lake	77	
2020	Northwest	Stream	91	
2020	Southeast	Lake	33	
2020	Southeast	Stream	52	2
2020	Southwest	Lake	19	1
2020	Southwest	Stream	68	

**Table 2.** Comparison of fisheries assessment efforts by CPW in recent years.

	#Survey		
Year	S	#Fish Enumerated	#Creels
2010	506	121,418	13
2011	579	114,992	9
2012	615	127,537	19
2013	647	161,926	22
2014	644	126,503	4
2015	625	134,506	10
2016	593	140,874	4
2017	661	134,071	8
2018	699	159,047	4
2019	685	163,155	8
2020	460	80,029	3

While the purpose of this Federal Aid Grant and report is the inventory and assessment of recreational sportfish species, state and federally listed species are either also in this category (i.e. cutthroat trout species) or are incidentally encountered as part of this work. Table 3. Provides a summary of listed species that were present in sportfish surveys conducted by CPW personnel in 2020.

**Table 3.** Summary of catch for Species of Greatest Conservation Need by CPW sportfish biologists in 2020.

<b>Conservation Status</b>	Drainage	Common Name	
Federally Threatened	Arkansas	GREENBACK CUTTHROAT, BEAR CREEK	60
State Special	Colorado	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	538
Concern		IOWA DARTER	1
		ROUNDTAIL CHUB	20
	Dolores	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	143
		ROUNDTAIL CHUB	29
	Gunnison	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	59
	Rio Grande	RIO GRANDE CUTTHROAT	329
	San Juan	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	61
	South Platte	IOWA DARTER	6
	White	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	392
		ROUNDTAIL CHUB	4
	Yampa	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	943
		MOUNTAIN SUCKER	28

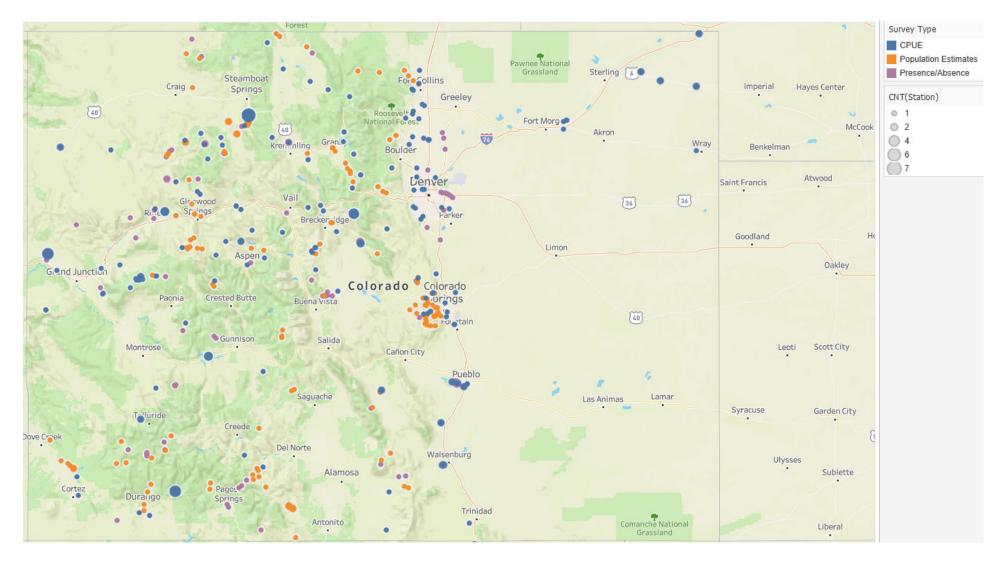


Figure 1. Location and type of surveys conducted by CPW biologists in 2020.

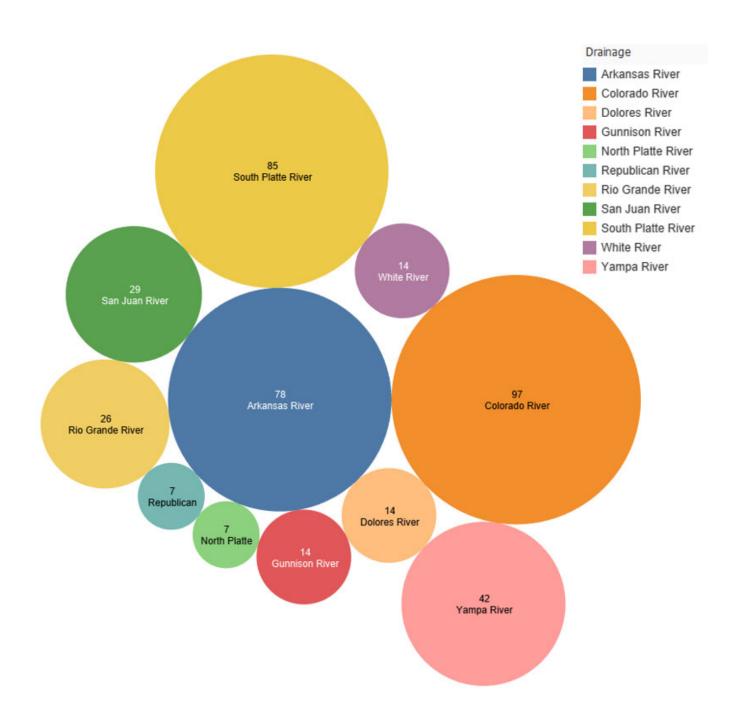
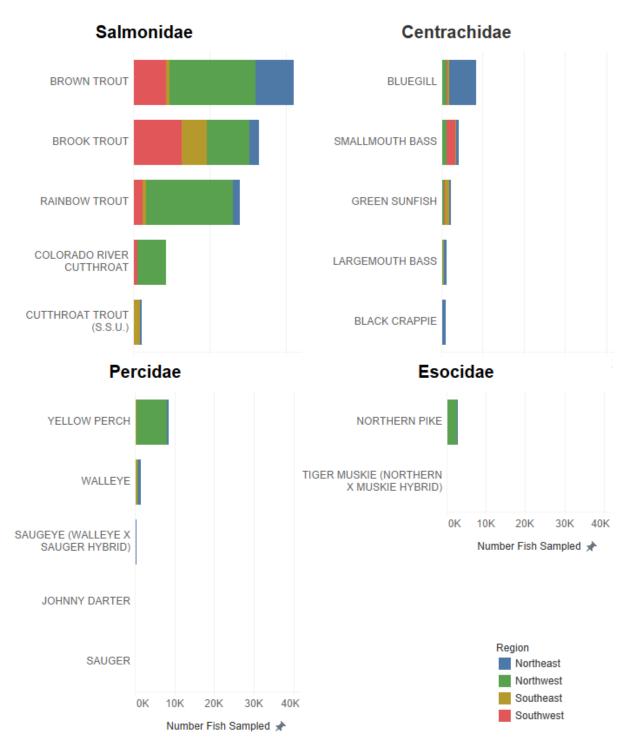


Figure 2. The number of surveys conducted by CPW sportfish staff in 2020 by drainage basin.



**Figure 3.** Catch of top five species from the four most popular recreational sportfish families during 2020 CPW fisheries assessment surveys.

Fisheries data from across the state is maintained by the collecting biologist within each of the regional CPW offices, but is also submitted to the centralized Aquatic Data Management System (ADAMAS), managed by the Aquatic Research Section of CPW in Fort Collins, CO. This data is integrated with data from the aquatic species conservation program, the aquatic research program, CPW's water quality program, as well as data submitted from external scientific collection permit holders.

CPW explains the rationale for conducting fishery surveys and publishes the results of these surveys on our website:

http://cpw.state.co.us/thingstodo/Pages/FisheryManagementSurveys.aspx

## Job No. 2. Angler harvest and effort statistics (Creel)

Survey anglers at select lakes and streams across Colorado. Obtain counts of shore fisherman and boat fisherman, counts and measurements of fish species harvested, and estimates of those released. Conduct interviews with anglers to find out how long they fished, what they were fishing with, what their preferred species is, and what level of satisfaction they would assign to their trip.

Job Objective: Estimate angler effort and harvest

**Need:** Historical trends and the current status of fish populations only provide half of the information needed to manage recreational fisheries in Colorado effectively. Accurate estimates of angler harvest and effort are needed to ensure both sustainable fisheries and satisfied anglers.

## Specific Objectives:

- 1. Efficient and accurate estimation of angler effort and harvest on select lakes and rivers across Colorado
- 2. Collection of information on angler demographics and preferred species being targeted by different angler types (i.e. shore fishermen, boat fishermen, and other types)

#### Approach:

Action #1- Maintain current and accurate data from aquatic biological surveys statewide

- Level 1 Action Category Data Collection and Analysis
- Level 2 Action Strategy Research, Survey, or monitoring-fish & wildlife populations
- Level 3 Action Activity N/A

Budget cutbacks in 2015 reduced the number of creel surveys that CPW performs across the state. A total of four creels were conducted in 2020; two stream-reach surveys and two lake/reservoir surveys. A summary of creel effort across the state over the past 11 years is provided in Table 4. A breakdown of where the creel surveys were conducted in 2020 is provided in Table 5.

Table 4. Summary of creel survey effort in Colorado over the past 11 years.

	#Creel	
Year	S	
2010	13	
2011	9	
2012	19	
2013	22	
2014	4	
2015	10	
2016	4	
2017	8	
2018	4	
2019	8	
2020	4	

Table 5. Waters on which creel surveys were performed by CPW in 2020.

		WaterTyp	WaterCod	
Year	Region	e	е	WaterName
2020	Northeast	Lake	57059	Zimmerman Lake <sup>3</sup>
	Southwes			
2020	t	Lake	11976	Blue Mesa Reservoir <sup>1</sup>
2020	Southeast	Stream	29048	Arkansas River #9B1
2020	Southeast	Stream	33807	Arkansas River #9C1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> standard creel

A new centralized Creel data storage and analysis program came online in 2019. Previously, creel survey data were housed and analyzed locally on individual biologist computers. The new proprietary CREEL system, programmed in C#, has all of its analytic capabilities based on (and tested against) the old C-SAP program but now centrally houses all of the creel data from across the state on a SQL server in Denver. Biologists can design surveys, enter results, query, retrieve, and analyze data from anywhere on the agency's network. Historical data from over 600 creel surveys, going back to 1987, have been uploaded to the new system and are now all stored together

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> voluntary creel card

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Passive Creel

and accessible to everyone within the agency.

More information about CPW's creel analysis program is available at <a href="https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/ResearchAquaticData.aspx#Creel%20Survey%20A">https://cpw.state.co.us/learn/Pages/ResearchAquaticData.aspx#Creel%20Survey%20A</a> <a href="mailysis">nalysis</a>

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Appendix 2. List of fisheries surveys conducted in 2020 by CPW employees

Huc10 Wate Northeast Region - North Platte F	rType River	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	<u>#Fish</u>
North Platte Headwaters					
Canadian River Canadian River Headwaters North Platte River Illinois River Michigan River Upper North Platte	Stream Stream Lake Lake Lake	PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL CPUE CPUE CPUE		0 1 3 2 4	0 18 25 70 400
Big Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	1	1
Big Creek Northeast Region - Republican Ri	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		3	136
Frenchman					
Sand Creek Upper Frenchman Creek <b>North Fork Republican</b>	Lake Lake	CPUE CPUE	2 4	6 7	1,980 1,945
Chief Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	9	748
Northeast Region - South Platte F	River				
Beaver					
Lower Beaver Creek  Big Thompson	Lake	CPUE	1	5	1,510
Dry Creek-Little Thompson River Outlet Big Thompson River	Lake Lake	CPUE CPUE	1 5	4 21	666 917
Cache La Poudre					
Gordon Creek-Cache La Poudre River Gordon Creek-Cache La Poudre River Headwaters Cache La Poudre River Headwaters Cache La Poudre River	Stream Stream Lake Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL CPUE TWO-PASS REMOVAL	- 1 1	0 2 2 4	0 90 91 506
Horsetooth Reservoir-Cache La Poudre River	Lake	CPUE	4	18	1,759
Horsetooth Reservoir-Cache La Poudre River Horsetooth Reservoir-Cache La Poudre River		THREE-PASS TWO-PASS REMOVAL	1 _ 2	6 7	389 1,366
Rabbit Creek-North Fork Cache La Poudre	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		8	194
Clear Creek					
Lower Clear Creek Middle Clear Creek Middle Clear Creek Upper Clear Creek	Lake Stream Stream Lake	CPUE THREE-PASS TWO-PASS REMOVAI CPUE	3 1 - 2 1	9 2 4 1	290 74 57 16
Lower South Platte			•	·	
Hartley Draw-South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	2	11	757
Middle South Platte-Cherry Creek					
Big Dry Creek-South Platte River Big Dry Creek-South Platte River Cherry Creek-South Platte River Cherry Creek-South Platte River	Lake Stream Lake Stream	CPUE PRESENCE/ABSENCE CPUE PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	12 7 5 3	298 169 82 114

<u>Huc10</u>	<u>WaterType</u>	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	#Fish
Little Dry Creek-South Platte River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	3	13	1,582
Sand Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	5	91
Sand Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	8	7	417
Middle South Platte-Sterling					
Dead Horse Draw-South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	3	13	244
South Platte Headwater					
Headwaters Tarryall Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	1	1
Middle Fork South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	4	1	22
Middle Fork South Platte River	Stream	THREE-PASS	1	1	238
Middle Fork South Platte River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 1	3	21
Ruby Gulch-Tarryall Creek	Lake	CPUE	6	1	30
Ruby Gulch-Tarryall Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	4	0	0
South Fork South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	2	6	182
South Fork South Platte River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	7	1	45
South Fork South Platte River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 1	1	86
St. Vrain					
Boulder Creek-Saint Vrain Creek	Lake	CPUE	6	13	2,301
Coal Creek-Boulder Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	7	280
South Boulder Creek	Lake	CPUE	3	8	212
South Saint Vrain Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	2	3	276
Upper South Platte					
Bear Creek	Lake	CPUE	2	13	281
Chatfield Reservoir-South Platte Rive	r Lake	CPUE	1	5	260
City of Lakewood-South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	1	8	108
East Plum Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	6	104
Headwaters North Fork South Platte I	River Lake	CPUE	7	0	0
Lost Creek-South Platte River	Stream	THREE-PASS	1	1	70
Outlet North Fork South Platte River	Lake	CPUE	1	5	34
West Plum Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	5	225
Northwest Region - Colorado	River				
Blue					
Dillon Reservoir	Lake	CPUE	1	5	484
Middle Blue River	Lake	CPUE	1	2	40
Upper Blue River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	2	3	801
Colorado Headwaters					
Deep Creek	Lake	CPUE	2	3	122
Fraser River	Lake	CPUE	1	3	119
Fraser River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	6	11	5,377
Glenwood Canyon-Colorado River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		3	105
Headwaters Colorado River	Lake	CPUE	2	7	1,021
Headwaters Colorado River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		8	815
Muddy Creek	Lake	CPUE	2	8	261
Muddy Creek	Lake	OTHER	2	1	239
Troublesome Creek-Colorado River Williams Fork	Stream	MARK/RECAPTURE	1	6	1,801
Colorado Headwaters-Plateau	Lake	CPUE	1	6	171
		CDUE	-	40	05.4
Big Creek-Plateau Creek	Lake	CPUE	7	12	854 220
Big Salt Wash-Colorado River	Lake	CPUE	1	9	229
Cache Creek-Colorado River Canyon Creek-Colorado River	Stream Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL	1	1 4	3 297
Clear Creek-Roan Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	5	247 247
cical creek hour creek	Jacani	i Nesence, Absence	•	3	<b>4</b> 77

<u>Huc1</u>		Water	<u>rType</u>	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	<u>#Fish</u>
Divide Cr			Lake	CPUE	1	1	6
East Salt			Lake	CPUE	8	13	397
East Salt	Creek		Stream	CPUE	1	3	31
East Salt	Creek		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		8	228
Elk Creek			Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA	L 2	7	1,142
Garfield (	Creek-Colorado	River	Lake	CPUE	3	8	7,313
Jerry Cre	ek-Colorado Riv	⁄er	Lake	CPUE	1	6	147
Parachute	e Creek		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	E 1	1	1
Rifle Cree	ek		Lake	CPUE	1	10	459
Rifle Cree	ek		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	Ξ 3	8	555
Vega Rese	ervoir-Plateau (	Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	1	21
	ervoir-Plateau (		Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA	L 1	3	107
Eagle							
Brush Cre	ek		Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA	L 2	1	1
Gore Cree	ek		Lake	CPUE	2	1	16
Gypsum C	Creek		Lake	CPUE	1	1	103
Lower Ea			Lake	CPUE	3	11	1,026
Upper Ea	•		Lake	CPUE	1	1	2
Upper Ea			Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1	14
Upper Ea			Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		2	15
Roaring Fo			Jer cam	TVVO TVIOS NEMIOVY	- '	-	.5
Crystal Ri			Lake	CPUE	2	1	75
			Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		2	86
Crystal Ri							
Crystal Ri			Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		5	322
Fryingpar			Lake	CPUE	8	7	809
Fryingpar			Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		2	119
	paring Fork Rive		Lake	CPUE	1	6	25
	aring Fork Rive		Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		2	15
	aring Fork Rive		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1	68
Woody Cr	eek-Roaring Fo	rk River	Lake	CPUE	1	2	93
Northwest	Region -	<b>Dolores River</b>					
Lower Dol	ores						
West Cree	ek		Lake	CPUE	2	0	0
Northwest	Region -	<b>Gunnison Rive</b>	r				
Lower Gui			•				
		D.		CDUE	2	,	4 405
	reek-Gunnison	· -	Lake	CPUE	2	6	1,105
	reek-Gunnison		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	Ē 1	0	0
Northwest	Region -	White River					
Lower Wh	ite						
Red Wash	-White River		Lake	CPUE	2	7	199
Upper Wh	ite						
Coal Cree	k-White River		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	E 7	6	295
	k-White River		Stream	THREE-PASS	1	2	89
	k-White River		Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		3	236
	Wash-White Riv	er	Lake	CPUE	- <i>-</i> 1	7	94
	k White River	-	Lake	CPUE	1	0	0
	k White River		Lake	CPUE	1	1	5
	k White River		Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	· 5 1	2	43
	k White River		Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVA		0	0
		Vamaa Dive	Jacam	THO I ASS INLINOVA	_ '	U	U
Northwest	Region -	Yampa River					

Huc10	<u>WaterType</u>	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	#Fish
Little Snake					
Fourmile Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 1	1	20
Slater Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		8	366
Slater Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		6	62
Upper Yampa					
East Fork Williams Fork	Lake	CPUE	2	1	17
East Fork Williams Fork	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		2	273
East Fork Williams Fork	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		1	63
Elkhead Creek	Lake	MARK/RECAPTURE	1	3	1,615
Headwaters Yampa River	Lake	CPUE	2	6	307
Headwaters Yampa River	Stream	OTHER	1	3	98
Headwaters Yampa River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	3	1	151
Headwaters Yampa River	Stream	THREE-PASS	2	3	76
Headwaters Yampa River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		13	2,846
Oak Creek-Yampa River	Lake	CPUE	8	4	2,113
Oak Creek-Yampa River	Stream	MARK/RECAPTURE	3	7	1,175
Oak Creek-Yampa River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		5	525
South Fork Williams Fork	Lake	CPUE	1	1	6
South Fork Williams Fork	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		1	13
Trout Creek-Yampa River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2	5	196
Southeast Region - Arkans	as River				
Arkansas Headwaters					
Headwaters Grape Creek	Lake	CPUE	2	7	370
Headwaters Grape Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		0	0
Headwaters Grape Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2	9	624
Fountain					
Middle Fountain Creek	Lake	CPUE	4	15	418
Middle Fountain Creek	Stream	THREE-PASS	2	1	39
Middle Fountain Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		4	295
Monument Creek	Lake	CPUE	4	9	68
Monument Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		3	133
Upper Fountain Creek	Lake	CPUE	3	4	54
Upper Fountain Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1 9	9
Upper Fountain Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 14	9	670
Huerfano	_				
Headwaters Huerfano River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1	19
Headwaters Huerfano River	Stream	THREE-PASS	1	1	14
Headwaters Huerfano River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		1	19
Upper Cucharas River	Lake	CPUE	4	16	447
Purgatorie					
Trinidad Lake-Purgatorie River	Lake	CPUE	1	8	137
Upper Arkansas					
Beaver Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	1	64
Beaver Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1	129
Beaver Creek	Stream	THREE-PASS	2	2	165
Beaver Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		4	429
Dry Creek-Arkansas River	Lake	CPUE	8	18	2,081
Dry Creek-Arkansas River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		5	318
Greenhorn Creek	Lake	CPUE	2	10	277
Headwaters Four Mile Creek	Stream Lake	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 3 2	1 12	153 727
Pueblo Reservoir-Arkansas River	Lake	CPUE	۷	12	121

<u>Huc10</u> Southeast Region		erType River	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	#Fish
Upper South Platte						
East Plum Creek Trout Creek-West Cr Trout Creek-West Cr Trout Creek-West Cr	eek eek eek	Lake Lake Stream Stream	CPUE CPUE PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL		4 5 0 7	53 460 0 445
Southwest Region	- Cimmaron Riv	/er				
Upper Gunnison Cimarron River Southwest Region	- Dolores River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	0	0
San Miguel						
Upper San Miguel Riv Upper San Miguel Riv <b>Upper Dolores</b>		Stream Stream	CPUE OTHER	2 1	2 1	74 1
Headwaters Dolores Headwaters Dolores McPhee Reservoir-Do Ponderosa Gorge-Dol West Dolores River  Southwest Region	River olores River ores River	Stream Stream Lake Stream Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL CPUE TWO-PASS REMOVAL TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2 1 . 6	2 3 10 10 1	30 106 341 2,473 26
Lower Gunnison						
Tongue Creek-Gunni		Lake	CPUE	1	1	30
West Muddy Creek <b>Tomichi</b>		Stream	OTHER	1	1	4
Quartz Creek Razor Creek <b>Uncompahgre</b>		Stream Lake	TWO-PASS REMOVAL CPUE	- 1 1	2 3	132 353
Upper Uncompahgre Upper Gunnison	River	Lake	CPUE	1	1	1,973
Beaver Creek-Blue M Cimarron River Smith Fork-Gunnison Smith Fork-Gunnison Soap Creek-Blue Mes	River River a Reservoir	Stream Stream Stream Stream Lake	PRESENCE/ABSENCE PRESENCE/ABSENCE CPUE PRESENCE/ABSENCE CPUE	2	2 0 2 0 3	1,832 0 8 0 293
Southwest Region		ver				
Alamosa-Trinchera Headwaters Sangre o Headwaters Sangre o La Jara Creek Sanchez Reservoir Trinchera Creek-San	le Cristo Creek le Cristo Creek	Stream Stream Stream Lake Lake	PRESENCE/ABSENCE TWO-PASS REMOVAL TWO-PASS REMOVAL CPUE CPUE	. 2	2 2 4 3 3	9 122 444 46 30
Conejos						
Rio de Los Pinos		Stream	THREE-PASS	1	1	124

<u>Huc10</u>	<u>WaterType</u>	<u>Protocol</u>	#Surveys	#Species	#Fish
<b>Rio Grande Headwaters</b>					
Goose Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	1	30
South Fork Rio Grande	Lake	CPUE	1	2	20
South Fork Rio Grande	Stream	THREE-PASS	2	2	162
South Fork Rio Grande	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 4	4	319
Saguache					
Headwaters Saguache Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 1	1	13
Middle Creek-Saguache Creek	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2	1	35
Southwest Region - San Jua	n River				
Animas					
Animas River Canyon	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	2	10
Animas River Canyon	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		1	25
Cascade Creek	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	4	1	9
Cascade Creek	Stream	THREE-PASS	1	2	61
Electra Lake-Animas River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2	3	32
Headwaters Animas River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		1	1
Headwaters Animas River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		2	393
Lightner Creek-Animas River	Stream	THREE-PASS	1	10	111
Middle Animas Valley	Lake	CPUE	1	7	244
Middle Animas Valley	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL		5	149
Outlet Florida River	Lake	CPUE	1	5	63
McElmo					
Upper McElmo Creek	Lake	CPUE	1	4	28
Middle San Juan					
Headwaters La Plata River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	3	196
Piedra					
Upper Piedra River	Stream	TWO-PASS REMOVAL	. 2	5	474
Upper San Juan					
Navajo River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	1	1	34
Pagosa Springs-San Juan River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE		6	120
Vallecito Creek	Lake	CPUE	5	7	200
West Fork San Juan River	Stream	PRESENCE/ABSENCE	3	4	148

Appendix 3. Summary of species catch on the East Slope by CPW sportfish biologists in 2020.

<b>E</b> CTIONS			Northeast		Account to the second	theast
Family	Common Name		Republican	South Platte		
CATOSTOMDAE	LONGNOSE SUCKER	323	121	247	45	3
CO TO LOCUEDA	WHITE SUCKER		3	533	422	535
CENTRARCHIDAE	BLACK CRAPPIE		44	999	23	
	BLUEGILL		3,245	3,270	498	29
	GREEN SUNFISH		200	203	1,120	19
	HYBRID SUNFISH		21	3		
	LARGEMOUTH BASS		269	391	162	
	PUMPKINSEED			73		
	REDEAR SUNFISH		465	69	1	
	SMALLMOUTH BASS			579	293	
	SPOTTED BASS			25	15	
CLUPEIDAE	WHITE CRAPPIE			35	38	
The second secon	GIZZARD SHAD			1,804	339	
CYPRINIDAE	BIGMOUTH SHINER			140		20
	CENTRAL STONEROLLER			10	00	28
	COMMON CARP			144	89	
	CREEK CHUB	91		176	4.45	70
	FATHEAD MINNOW	1		621	145	72
	GOLDEN SHINER GOLDFISH			68	7	
				9	1	
	HYBRID GRASS CARP (TRIPLOID)			1	470	
	LONGNOSE DACE	2		340	478	
	RED SHINER SAND SHINER			247		
	SPOTTAIL SHINER			613	20	
ESOCIDAE	NORTHERN PIKE			20		
LOCALIDAE	TIGER MUSKIE (NORTHERN X MUSKIE HYBRID)			2	26	1
FUNDULIDAE	NORTHERN PLAINS KILLIFISH			1	18	1
GASTEROSTEIDAE	ACADA SAN CONTRACTOR			4.00	0	
ICTALURIDAE	BLACK BULLHEAD			142		
ICTALURIDAE	CHANNEL CATFISH		408	261	189	
	FLATHEAD CATFISH		400	201	2	
	YELLOW BULLHEAD		11	1	2	
MORONIDAE	PALMETTO BASS (WIPER)			243	76	
MOROHIDAE	STRIPED BASS			243	6	
	WHITE BASS			249		
OSMERIDAE	RAINBOW SMELT			5		
PERCIDAE	IOWA DARTER			6		
Little	JOHNNY DARTER			26		
	SAUGER				29	
	SAUGEYE (WALLEYE X SAUGER HYBRID)			50	281	
	WALLEYE			724	611	
	YELLOW PERCH		7	347	213	
POECILIDAE	WESTERN MOSQUITOFISH			180		
SALMONIDAE	ARCTIC CHAR			1		
	BROOK TROUT	113		558	1,364	241
	BROWN TROUT	102		2,363	257	211
	CUTTHROAT TROUT (S.S.U.)	102		133	444	
	GREENBACK CUTTHROAT			65	***	
	GREENBACK CUTTHROAT, BEAR CREEK			-	60	
	HAYDEN CREEK CUTTHROAT				37	
	KOKANEE (SOCKEYE) SALMON			7	2	
	LAKE TROUT (MACKINAW)			30		
	MOUNTAIN WHITEFISH			13		
	RAINBOW TROUT	41		419	230	11
	RAINBOW X CUTTHROAT	68		22	96	3
	SPLAKE (BROOK X LAKE HYBRID)	-		8		
Drainage Totals		650	4,673	16,454	7,648	942
East Slope Total	30,367	300	.,		.,	

Appendix 4. Summary of species catch on the West Slope by CPW sportfish biologists in 2020.

			Northwe	est			Sou	thwest	
Family	Common Name	Colorado	Gunntson	White	Yampa	Dolores	Gunntson	Rto Grande	San Juan
CATOSTOMIDAE	BLUEHEAD SUCKER	39				3			14
	FLANNELMOUTH SUCKER			63					8
	LONGNOSE SUCKER	247			1			5	
	MOUNTAIN SUCKER				28				
	WHITE SUCKER	1,603			184	77	231	14	196
	WHITE-BLUEHEAD SUCKER HYBRID	12			1				
	WHITE-FLANNELMOUTH HYBRID	1				1			5
CENTRARCHIDAE	BLACK CRAPPIE	53		27		5			
	BLUEGILL	358	979	27					23
	GREEN SUNFISH	687		49		3			2
	HYBRID SUNFISH	4	1						
	LARGEMOUTH BASS	394	56	20	10				16
	SMALLMOUTH BASS	226	44		970	50	1,973		10
CLUPEIDAE	GIZZARD SHAD	151							
COTTIDAE	MOTTLED SCULPIN	1,872		229	1,328	440			325
CYPRINIDAE	COMMON CARP	52		36		10		33	
	CREEK CHUB	137			25				
	FATHEAD MINNOW	55			24	181		72	93
	GOLDFISH	9							
	HYBRID GRASS CARP (TRIPLOID)	10							
	LONGNOSE DACE	15							
	RED SHINER	91							
	REDSIDE SHINER				21				
	ROUNDTAIL CHUB	20		4		29			
	SPECKLED DACE	35			98	283			235
ESOCIDAE	NORTHERN PIKE	45		11	2,469			5	20
	TIGER MUSKIE (NORTHERN X MUSKIE HYBRID)	1							
ICTALURIDAE	BLACK BULLHEAD	41		34					
	CHANNEL CATFISH	10						1	
PERCIDAE	IOWA DARTER	1							
	JOHNNY DARTER								9
	WALLEYE	21	22		126	34			50
	YELLOW PERCH	7,703		21		159			11
SALMONIDAE	ARCTIC GRAYLING	71							
	BROOK TROUT	2,621		29	136	87	2,099	547	469
	BROWN TROUT	4,312			1,316	1,384	133	274	367
	COLORADO RIVER CUTTHROAT	538		392	943	143	59		61
	KOKANEE (SOCKEYE) SALMON	291				4	1		42
	LAKE TROUT (MACKINAW)	365							
	MOUNTAIN WHITEFISH	92			363				
	RAINBOW TROUT	3,797	3	5	1,874	158	190	39	212
	RAINBOW X CUTTHROAT	57		13	5				1
	RIO GRANDE CUTTHROAT	100		833				329	
	SAN JUAN CR1								117
	SNAKE RIVER CUTTHROAT	1							
	SPLAKE (BROOK X LAKE HYBRID)			1					
	TIGER TROUT	217		10				35	
Drainage Totals		26,255	1,105	961	9,922	3,051	4,686	1,354	2,286

West Slope Total 49,620