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Managing Water in the West

Reclamation Joins in the 21st Annual *Return of the Salmon Festival*

The Bureau of Reclamation's Northern California Area Office participated in the 21st annual *Return of the Salmon Festival* on Saturday, October 15, at the Coleman National Fish Hatchery near Anderson, Calif., about 20 miles southeast of Redding.

Reclamation's booth highlighted the benefits of Shasta Dam, water conservation, Coleman National Fish Hatchery and the Central Valley Project. Also, designed to educate the public about Reclamation and its mission, a board game gave participants an opportunity to answer a question, learn new facts and win a "Use Water Wisely. It's A Way of Life" prize.

The annual event celebrates the return of fall-run Chinook salmon and historically has drawn crowds larger than 10,000 people. Adults and kids alike view large numbers of fall-run Chinook salmon returning to Battle Creek and the hatchery. All aspects of day-to-day hatchery operations such as spawning, egg incubation and juvenile rearing, plus the salmon aquarium and natural resource information booths, are the highlight of the day's event.



