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## Acronyms and Abbreviations

AIC - Akaike's Information Criterion<br>amp-h - ampere hour<br>AZFWCO - Arizona Fish and Wildlife Conservation Office<br>CI - confidence interval<br>cm - centimeter(s)<br>FY - fiscal year<br>FWS - Fish and Wildlife Service<br>h - hour(s)<br>kHz - kilohertz<br>km - kilometer(s)<br>LCR - Lower Colorado River<br>LCR MSCP - Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program<br>M\&A - Marsh \& Associates, LLC<br>m - meter(s)<br>$M, C, R$ - mark, capture, recapture<br>mL - milliliter(s)<br>mm - millimeter(s)<br>NFH - National Fish Hatchery<br>PIT - passive integrated transponder<br>PVC - polyvinylchloride<br>QAICc - quasi-likelihood<br>Reclamation - Bureau of Reclamation<br>RM - river mile(s)<br>rkm - reservoir kilometer(s)<br>SY - sample year<br>TL - total length<br>UTM - Universal Transverse Mercator

## Symbols

c - recapture
n - number
p - capture
\% - percent
$\hat{\mathrm{c}}$ - c-hat, variance inflation factor
p - gamma

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## ExECUTIVE Summary

Repatriated razorback suckers (Xyrauchen texanus) in Lake Mohave have been monitored for more than 25 years, but low recapture rates have inhibited evaluation of factors contributing to highly variable post-stocking survival. In 2010, deployment of remote passive integrated transponder (PIT) scanners able to detect 134.2 kilohertz (kHz) PIT tags was initiated to increase the number of encounters with marked fish. The program was expanded in 2012 and 2013, while traditional capture methods (i.e., trammel nets) continued to be employed to collect comparable long-term monitoring data and estimate abundance of all repatriated and wild razorback suckers marked with either 400 or 134.2 kHz PIT tags. Lake Mohave was split into four distinct zones, listed from upstream to downstream as: River, Liberty, Basin, and Katherine.

Trammel netting efforts at Carp Cove from October1, 2014 to September 30, 2019 resulted in capture of 83 PIT-tagged repatriated razorback suckers that had single captures during the monitoring period and one fish that had two captures. Sex was determined at time of capture for all fish and most were female ( $\mathrm{n}=68$ ) along with 15 males and one juvenile. Of the 84 repatriates, 80 had paired stocking-capture data (i.e., fish with stocking and capture data). Overall total length (TL) at release ranged from 265-531 millimeters (mm) and TL at capture ranged from 342-741 mm with an overall mean TL at release and capture of 426 and 595 mm , respectively. The shortest time at large, from stocking to capture, was 10 days, and years at large ranged from less than one to 22 with an overall mean of 6 . Year classes ranged from 20012016; the 2004-year class was not represented. Mean growth rate of females was 6 mm TL per month and for males approximately 4 mm TL per month. Most captured fish were released in Basin ( $\mathrm{n}=59$ ), followed by Liberty ( $\mathrm{n}=12$ ), River ( $\mathrm{n}=7$ ), and Katherine ( $\mathrm{n}=2$ ); 36 were raised in lakeside backwaters and 44 in offsite facilities.

Based on routine monitoring data (i.e., trammel netting) from the last 5 years we estimate there is no self-sustaining wild razorback sucker population remaining in Lake Mohave. The repatriated razorback sucker population in 2014, based on 2014 and 2015 March monitoring data, was estimated at 2,230 fish ( $95 \%$ confidence interval [CI] from 922 to 5,963 ), which was more than double the current (2018) estimate, based on 2018 and 2019 March monitoring data, for razorback sucker in Lake Mohave of 994 fish ( $95 \%$ CI from 602 to 1,639).

Total deployment time for PIT scanners (remote monitoring) from October 1, 2018 through September 30, 2019 was 37,257 scan hours resulting in 96,575 PIT tag contacts, representing 4,408 unique PIT tags for which 4,225 had a razorback sucker marking record (i.e., implanted with a PIT tag and associated data recorded), and 60 had a bonytail (Gila elegans) marking record in the Native Fish Database (as of September 30, 2019). Among razorback suckers with a marking record, 4,165 were repatriates, 10 were wild, and 50 were of unknown origin. All bonytail with a marking record were repatriates.

Total deployment time for remote PIT scanners from October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2019 was 201,382 scan hours resulting in 627,411 PIT tag contacts, representing 6,304 unique PIT tags for which 5,876 had a razorback sucker marking record (i.e., implanted with a PIT tag and associated data recorded), and 106 had a bonytail marking record in the Native Fish Database (as of September 30, 2019). Among razorback suckers with a marking record, 5,799 were repatriates, 13 were wild, and 64 were of unknown origin. All bonytail with a marking record were repatriates.

Based on 2018 and 2019 remote PIT scanning, the 134.2 kHz PIT tagged Lake Mohave repatriate population for 2018 was estimated at 3,649 individuals ( $95 \%$ CI from 3,552 to 3,745) . Population estimates using zone specific scanning for 2018 estimated Basin population at 1,963 ( 1,904 to 2,021 ) and River at 2,120 ( 2,012 to 2,227 ). Too few wild fish with 134.2 kHz PIT tags were contacted to estimate Basin and River subpopulations separately (four and seven contacts in 2019, respectively). Wild fish continue to be contacted by PIT scanners, although the majority were originally tagged with 400 kHz tags. The lake-wide estimates calculated from PIT scanning data likely underestimate the wild population due to PIT scanners only contacting 134.2 kHz tags. Still, an estimated nine (5 to 19) wild razorback suckers with 134.2 kHz tags survive in Lake Mohave in 2018.

Lake-wide repatriate population estimates based on PIT scanning increased each year from 2010 (coinciding with increased scanning effort) until peaking in 2016 at 3,871 fish. The population of
razorback sucker with unknown history (tagged at capture) has increased from a low of 7 in 2013 to a high of 32 in 2018. No estimate was calculated for 2015 due to low recaptures (3).

A robust mark-recapture model was applied to accumulated PIT scanning data from sample years 2013 to 2019 to estimate annual survival for River and Basin subpopulations of razorback sucker. Estimates of adult survival were similar between River and Basin, with all but one annual estimate (Basin 2016 to 2017) more than $95 \%$. Emigration rates were more disparate with all but one estimate lower than $6 \%$ for Basin, and all but one estimate more than $6 \%$ in River. This suggests that temporary emigration out of River is slightly higher than out of Basin. Capture probability ranged from a low of 0.0012 on the last sampling occasion in May of 2019 (Basin) to 0.508 on the first sampling occasion in January 2013 (Basin). All years had at least one occasion with capture probability above 0.250 , with the highest value for a given year typically in February in Basin and December, January or February in River.

Stocking displacement was examined to determine distance traveled from stocking locations and to identify movement between zones. Fish that were released in River or Basin zones were mostly contacted exclusively within their zone of release ( $64.3 \%$ and $69 \%$ of contacted fish, respectively). However, a considerable portion of fish released in River or Basin zones were detected in the other zone ( $33.1 \%$ and $29.5 \%$ of contacted fish, respectively). Razorback suckers released in Liberty zone were mostly contacted upstream in River zone or downstream in Basin zone in approximately equal proportions and fish stocked in Katherine zone all were contacted upstream of their release location.

Deployment of remote PIT scanners to monitor the two known subpopulation centers (River and Basin) will continue to be an effective means of contacting razorback sucker aggregates. Additional PIT scanning efforts have continued in Liberty to determine if other aggregations exist and to further evaluate the dynamics of razorback sucker dispersal and distribution. $\mathrm{Bi}-$ annual routine monitoring efforts in Basin zone continue to collect essential growth, health, census, and genetic data for razorback sucker. These data continue to provide long-term insight into population dynamics and demographics. Together, these efforts continue to contribute to the maintenance of this endangered species.

## INTRODUCTION

Lake Mohave in the latter half of the twentieth century was home to the largest known population of wild razorback suckers (Xyrauchen texanus), an endangered "big river" fish endemic to the Colorado River basin. The population was estimated at $60,000-75,000$ in the 1980s, declining to fewer than 25,000 in the mid- 1990s (Marsh et al. 2003) and fewer than 50 wild individuals by 2010 (Dowling et al. 2014). Since 2010, wild razorback suckers are rarely encountered, and the population is functionally extirpated.

Although wild fish are nearly gone, a genetically diverse adult razorback sucker population persists in Lake Mohave because of a repatriation program initiated by the Native Fishes Workgroup in the early 1990's (Dowling et al. 2005, Marsh et al. 2015). The program gradually developed into a system of wild larvae collection, protective rearing, and repatriation to the reservoir after growing to a minimum size of 300 millimeters (mm) in total length (TL) (Mueller 1995). There have been several adjustments to the program that incorporate new information to increase survival of stocked fish, primarily an increased size of stocked fish to reduce predation mortality but results thus far have not met expectations (Marsh et al. 2005, 2015).

In 2006, management of the Lake Mohave repatriation program shifted to the Lower Colorado River Multi-Species Conservation Program (LCR MSCP), which currently oversees and funds stocking and monitoring of razorback sucker in Lake Mohave. Stocking razorback suckers into Lake Mohave from the Willow Beach National Fish Hatchery (NFH) (LCR MSCP 2015b, 2018, Work Task B2), Achii Hanyo Native Fish Rearing Facility (LCR MSCP 2015b, 2018, Work Task B3), Lake Mead Fish Hatchery (LCR MSCP 2015b, 2018, Work Task B6), and from lakeside ponds (LCR MSCP 2015b, 2018, Work Task B7) is conducted under the Fish Augmentation component of the program (LCR MSCP 2006, 2015a). The Lake Mohave repatriation program is one element of an overall conservation plan for razorback sucker within the LCR MSCP. This program and other conservation plans upon which it was based (Minckley et al. 2003, U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service [FWS] 2005), incorporate a population component that will occupy the lower Colorado River mainstem; however, absent changes in the non-native fish community, it may be impractical or impossible to accommodate that component.

Efforts to enhance the population size of razorback sucker have included assessing the relationship between size and survival, which has led to a recommended minimum stocking TL of 500 mm (Marsh et al. 2005, Kesner et al. 2008, Kesner et al. 2012). However, increasing individual size while maintaining sufficient stocking numbers was difficult (M. Olson, Willow Beach NFH, January 2009, personal communication), which led to a change in rearing strategy at Willow Beach NFH in February 2015.

The new strategy included holding between 8,000 to 10,000 fish on station for five years and releasing them as one cohort, regardless of size (smaller fish will not be culled). The goal was to increase mean fish size, likely to greater than 400 mm TL (LCR MSCP 2015a). Unfortunately, in November 2016, approximately 30,000 razorback suckers at Willow Beach NFH were lost due to a catastrophic outbreak of the parasitic protozoan Ichthyophthirius multifiliis ("ich"). Due to this loss, the number of fish available for stocking into Lake Mohave over the next several years has dramatically decreased, and the larval goal was increased to 30,500 and 43,000 individuals in 2018 and 2019, respectively (LCR MSCP 2019).

Traditionally, management of the Lake Mohave razorback sucker population relied entirely on data acquired during trammel net surveys (i.e., routine monitoring) to derive population and survivorship estimates (Marsh et al. 2005), but in 2010 the use of portable remote passive integrated transponder (PIT) scanners was initiated. This technological advance has expanded the study area into riverine portions, while traditional capture methods centered around the main basin continue to provide important comparative health and dispersal information, samples for genetics monitoring, data on untagged or older 400 kHz tagged fish, and temporal dynamics of the non-native fish community.

Overall, the objective of ongoing monitoring and research for razorback suckers in Lake Mohave is to provide information needed to determine how the repatriation program should contribute to the maintenance of this endangered species in Lake Mohave and throughout the lower Colorado River. Moreover, results of this research provide critical demographic information and inform management to help ensure long-term persistence of a genetically viable stock of adult razorback sucker in Lake Mohave.

Thirteen specific objectives were outlined to achieve the goals of this research:
1 Locating and capturing adult razorback sucker
2 Recording biological data (e.g., sex, TL, weight), documenting the PIT tag number, and examining the general health and condition of captured razorback sucker

3 Collecting tissue samples from adult razorback sucker for genetic analysis
$4 \quad$ Marking of captured adult razorback sucker with 134.2 kHz PIT tags for individual identification (only if fish have not been previously tagged)

5 Using mobile remote PIT tag scanners capable of deployment in both slack water and riverine sections of Lake Mohave (it is anticipated that most remote sensing will occur in River Miles 330-342 for one week of every month during the contract year. An alternate monitoring schedule of equivalent time and effort may be proposed based on contractor expertise)

6 Participating in a maximum of two annual, weeklong, multi-agency, survey events to take place in the autumn (November or December) and spring (March) of each contract year (most of the effort related to these events will be restricted to River Miles 290-305). In the event these surveys do not take place the contractor may conduct additional remote scanning during these periods

7 Estimating current repatriate, and if possible, wild razorback sucker populations 8 Assimilating Lake Mohave razorback sucker capture/contact data collected by other federal and nonfederal entities into population estimates

9 Providing monthly progress reports summarizing all field, laboratory, or office work completed during this effort

10 Providing copies of all data sets generated during this work to the designated Reclamation Contracting Officer's Technical Representative

11 Providing a draft annual report during each contract year for review by LCR MSCP staff

12 Providing a final annual report for each completed contract year
13 Attending the annual Colorado River Aquatic Biologist meeting and presenting monitoring results

This report summarizes data collected under the five-year contract as part of ongoing demographic and post-stocking survival studies of repatriated razorback sucker in Lake Mohave. Population estimates for wild and repatriate populations were updated based on results from routine monitoring. Repatriate, wild, and unknown population estimates were developed from remote PIT scanning data collected across all years available in the basin and riverine portions of the lake. In addition, remote PIT scanning data were used to update annual adult survival estimates within a robust mark-recapture model, to illustrate post-stocking dispersal through violin plots and tables, and to assess factors that influence the availability of adult razorback sucker to remote monitoring.

## Methods

For the purposes of this study, Lake Mohave (LCR MSCP Reach 2) was divided into four distinct zones: River zone, Liberty zone, Basin zone, and Katherine zone (listed from upstream to downstream), hereafter referred to as River, Liberty, Basin, and Katherine, respectively (figure 1; Kesner et al. 2012). These demarcations are based on geographic features of the river system and razorback sucker demographics as determined from previous studies. Remote PIT scanning was primarily conducted in River, Liberty, and Basin, and to a lesser extent in Katherine.

Annual sampling followed the federal fiscal year (FY), October 1 to September 30, which coincides with annual spawning behavior, i.e., the annual sampling event in autumn is reported together with the following March monitoring data each year representing a single spawning season. Sample year (SY) refers to a single calendar year based on the fiscal year schedule (e.g., October 1, 2018 to September 30, 2019 is SY 2019). Unless otherwise stated, SY data in this report represent the entire SY.

## Routine Monitoring

Objectives 1, 2, 3, 4, and 6 were accomplished through participation in the December and March multi-agency survey events. During all events from 2015 through 2019, Marsh \& Associates, LLC (M\&A) personnel occupied a field camp for five days on Lake Mohave at Carp Cove, Arizona (Basin), near River Mile (RM) 298 (miles upstream of the Southern International

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Boundary). For each sampling event, up to six trammel nets ( 91.4 meters [m] long x 1.8 m high, with 3.8 centimeter [cm] stretch mesh) were fished continuously along the Arizona shoreline from Cottonwood East Area upstream to Carp Cove (figure 2).


Figure 1.-Map of Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada, illustrating the zoning scheme used for this project; location map inset.

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Figure 2.-General locations of trammel nets deployed by Marsh and Associates during routine monitoring events at Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada; location map inset.

Native fish encountered were processed and released (Objective 1). Nets were run and cleared, and fish processed twice daily, once each in the morning and evening. Processing included measuring TL, assessing sex and spawning condition (expression of gametes), scanning for a PIT tag and tagging if none was present (Objective 4), and examining the fish for general health and condition (Objective 2). A fin clip was taken from each razorback sucker, placed in 1 milliliter $(\mathrm{mL})$ of $95 \%$ ethanol in a labeled snap-cap tube, and returned to the laboratory for genetic analysis (Objective 3; results reported elsewhere by others). All relevant data were entered into the comprehensive Lower Colorado River (LCR) Native Fish Database maintained by M\&A. Beginning in 2007, razorback suckers that were captured without a PIT tag were implanted with a 134.2 kHz PIT tag and labeled as "unknown" in the database to denote an unknown history of origin. Also, PIT tags that do not have original capture or release data associated with them are labeled as "unknown."

## Remote Monitoring

Remote PIT scanning units were deployed one week of every month during each sampling season on shallow gravel bars that extend into the Colorado River upstream of Willow Beach (River, Objective 5). Four models of PIT scanners were employed. One type of unit (shorebased) was comprised of an antenna and scanner housed in a $2.3 \times 0.7 \mathrm{~m}$ polyvinylchloride (PVC) frame connected by 45.7 m of cable to a waterproof box that protected the logger and battery and was secured to shore. A six-volt, 12 ampere-hour (amp-h) sealed lead acid battery and a solar panel provided power to the scanner, eliminating the need for manually removing and charging the battery more than once per month. Three models of submersible PIT scanners were employed ( $0.8 \times 0.8 \mathrm{~m}$ and $1.2 \times 0.8 \mathrm{~m}$ [standard power] and $1.2 \times 0.8 \mathrm{~m}$ [decreased power consumption]). Submersible PIT scanning units were comprised of a polyvinyl chloride (PVC) frame that housed a scanner and logger. Power to submersible units was provided by a 20.8 or 28 ampere amp-h lithium-ion battery pack contained in a watertight, 2-inch ( 5.08 cm ) PVC pipe. Batteries were changed on a routine basis during sampling trips by checking battery voltage during daily downloads; generally, if a battery was at 7.4 volts or less, a new battery was installed. Five to 19 submersible units were employed throughout the monitoring seasons.

Five locations established in 2013 as fixed sites listed from downstream to upstream were Gio's

Point, Black Bar, Ringbolt Rapids, Boy Scout Canyon, and Sauna Cave. These locations were initially examined and evaluated in 2011, PIT scanned periodically in 2011 and 2012, and determined to be utilized by razorback sucker at different times of year. These five locations were established as fixed sites to test the hypothesis that razorback sucker aggregation sites change temporally (i.e., seasonally), with large aggregates on Black Bar during spawning, then shifting upstream toward Hoover Dam as the spawning season ends. Due to seasonal variation in contact rates, deployment of scanners not at fixed sites varied between trips depending on observed or reported fish concentrations. Fixed sites were scanned continuously each sampling trip and data typically were downloaded daily. However, instances occurred when fixed sites were scanned for multiple days without data being downloaded. For the purpose of analyses, these multi-day efforts were split into daily sub-efforts. PIT scanners were deployed 4 to 5 continuous days during every month of the year, except in SY 2015 when sampling only took place from January (when the contract was initiated) through September 2015.

One or two PIT scanning units were deployed between trips throughout each season in River above Willow Beach and scanned continuously for up to 673 h. In SY 2015 and SY 2016 this was a shore-based unit deployed at Boy Scout Canyon that started scanning at 1800 hours, ran for 24 h , and stopped scanning for 24 h . This cycle was repeated three weeks per month. During the week of active PIT scanning in River, this unit scanned continuously ( 24 h per day). This shore-based scanner was replaced in SY 2017, and subsequent sample years, with a batterypowered submersible unit with twice the wire turns as standard units, which resulted in lower power consumption and a longer runtime. This type of scanner was deployed at Black Bar (in addition to Lone Palm Hot Spring in SY 2017) during scanning trips and retrieved the next month. In SY 2019, one double-wound submersible PIT scanner at Black Bar was vandalized in May; M\&A redeployed the scanner in July.

In SYs 2017 through 2019, additional PIT scanning was conducted downstream of Willow Beach to determine if any additional spawning aggregates existed, and to assess spatiotemporal movement. M\&A deployed up to 10 submersible PIT scanners per trip within a section of the reservoir between Willow Beach and Aztec Wash. Each month a different reservoir section was selected for PIT scanner deployments by subjectively targeting suspected razorback sucker
habitat that was shallow enough for PIT scanner deployment (e.g., shallow wash fans or coves). In SY 2018 submersible units were deployed in Liberty Cove (Liberty zone) every month except August. Reclamation deployed up to 10 submersible units per trip working in one to two-mile increments moving upstream each sample trip from Basin to Liberty Cove. These areas included shallow gravel bars and cobble substrates, as well as cattail/bulrush stands where razorback sucker have been observed in the past (J. Stolberg, Bureau of Reclamation, July 2016, personal communication).

Reclamation conducted remote PIT scanning in Basin with support from M\&A personnel (Objective 5). Semi-permanent shore-based units were deployed November/December through May for continuous scanning to coincide with the spawning season. Shore-based PIT scanners were deployed at Tequila Cove SYs 2015 through 2019, Yuma Cove SYs 2015 through 2019, and Half-Way Wash SYs 2016 through 2019. Continuous power was provided to these units using a combination of lead-acid batteries and solar panels. All sites with semi-permanent shorebased units were known spawning aggregation sites and had been part of March monitoring efforts since collections began in 1974 (Minckley 1983).

In SY 2017, Reclamation expanded their PIT scanning efforts to Katherine and conducted seven sampling trips from December 2016 to June 2017. Reclamation crews worked downstream in four sections, scanning both sides of the river, and deployed units in almost every cove in Katherine, subjectively targeting cattail/bulrush stands. No PIT scanning was conducted in Katherine other than in SY 2017.

Information downloaded from PIT scanning units was recorded as follows: general location or site name, Universal Transverse Mercator (UTM) coordinates, water depth in meters, time and date of deployment and retrieval, logger and battery numbers, logger start and stop times, and scanning interval. Narrative descriptions of weather, river flows, etc. were recorded on field sheets or data books.

Remote PIT scanning data and associated deployment information were provided by Reclamation and all data acquired from PIT scanning on Lake Mohave were incorporated into a MySQL database, maintained by M\&A, and hosted by Hostgator.com
(http://www.hostgator.com/). Access to summary reports of scanning data as well as all raw data files are available through a password protected website (http://www.ncreased.net/, Objective 10).

## SY 2019

In SY 2019, PIT scanners were deployed in Lake Mohave for a total scan time of 37,258 h (figure 3); 8,186 h using shore-based devices and 29,072 h with submersible units. Remote PIT scanning in River resulted in a total scan time of $9,480 \mathrm{~h}$, all with submersible units. Mean deployment time for submersible units was 41 h . Remote scanners in Liberty were deployed for a total scan time of $8,964 \mathrm{~h}$, all with submersible units. The mean deployment time for submersible scanners was 57 h . Both shore-based and submersible units were deployed in Basin and accumulated 18,814 total h of scanning: $8,186 \mathrm{~h}$ with shore-based and $10,628 \mathrm{~h}$ with submersible units. Mean deployment times for shore-based and submersibles were 264 h and 177 h, respectively. PIT scanner deployments ranged from near Hoover Dam south to Halfway Wash (figures 4 and 5).

## SY 2015-2019

From SY 2015 through SY 2019 PIT scanners were deployed in Lake Mohave for a total scan time of $201,382 \mathrm{~h} ; 54,384 \mathrm{~h}$ using shore-based units and $146,998 \mathrm{~h}$ with submersible units. Deployment distribution covered much of the shoreline of Lake Mohave (figure 6) but known spawning grounds received the most scanning effort. PIT scanning in River resulted in a total scan time of $44,653 \mathrm{~h} ; 2,209 \mathrm{~h}$ using shore-based units and $42,444 \mathrm{~h}$ with submersible units. Mean deployment times for shore-based and submersibles were 79 h and 31 h , respectively. PIT scanners in Liberty were deployed for a total scan time of $25,892 \mathrm{~h}$, all with submersible units. The mean deployment time for submersible PIT scanners was 51 h . Both shore-based and submersible units were deployed in Basin and accumulated 125,386 total h of scanning: 52,175 h with shore-based and $73,211 \mathrm{~h}$ with submersible units. Mean deployment times for shore-based and submersible units were 213 h and 121 h , respectively. PIT scanners in Katherine were deployed for a total scan time of 5,451 h, all with submersible units. The mean deployment time for submersible PIT scanners was 80 h . The spatial distribution of PIT scanners was greatest in SY 2017 with deployments in all zones (figure 4). In 2010, the technology was in its infancy and scanning only occurred in Basin and Liberty. Since then, deployment distribution expanded into

River and Liberty. Deployment distribution of PIT scanners in Liberty was greatest in SY 2017 through SY 2019.


Figure 3.-Relationship between total scan hours and fiscal year for submersible and shore-based PIT scanners for each zone.


Figure 4.-Relationship between number of submersible and shore-based PIT scanners deployed (red circles) and distance to Davis Dam (rkm) from SY 2010-19 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada


Figure 5.- Locations of M\&A and Reclamation remote PIT scanners in River, Liberty, and Basin zones of Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada, SY 2019; location map inset.


Figure 6.- Locations of M\&A and Reclamation remote PIT scanners in River, Liberty, and Basin zones of Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada, SY 2015-19; location map inset.

## Population Estimates

The razorback sucker population in Lake Mohave was estimated from two data sources (Objective 7). First, netting data ${ }^{1}$ from all agencies participating in the spring survey were used to estimate overall populations of wild and repatriated fish in Lake Mohave using mark-recapture (Objective 8). Second, remote PIT scanning data were used to estimate repatriate population size for the lake-wide population as well as River and Basin subpopulations of repatriated razorback suckers with 134.2 kHz PIT tags. Remote PIT scanning and routine monitoring data were treated separately for repatriate estimates because some repatriate razorback sucker contain only a 400 kHz tag, which is rarely detected by remote PIT scanners. Combining the two sources would not accurately estimate the repatriate population.

Regardless of data source, mark-recapture estimates were based on the modified Peterson formula,

$$
N^{*}=\frac{(M+1)(C+1)}{R+1}(\text { Ricker 1975 })
$$

Capture data for population estimates were restricted to encounters in March of each SY because the highest number of captures with razorback suckers occurs then and the marking event must be short relative to the interval between marking and capturing events to meet assumptions of the estimate (Ricker 1975). For population estimates based on remote PIT scanning, the number of individual PIT tags contacted in a two-month scanning period encompassing the peak of razorback sucker spawning (January 1 through the end of February) in the previous SY was the mark $(M)$, the number contacted between October 1 and April 30 in the current SY was the capture $(C)$, and the number in common between both years the recaptures $(R)$. Any contacts with PIT tags released after May 31 of the year prior to the marking year were removed from population estimates. Confidence intervals (CIs) were derived using Poisson approximation tables using $R$ as the entering variable when recaptures were 50 or less (Ricker 1975, Appendix II), or they were based on the normal distribution for 51 or more recaptures (Seber 1973). Estimates with fewer than four recaptures were not reported. The Chapman estimate of large sample variance (Ricker 1975) was used for normal distribution-based confidence intervals.

[^0]In an effort to standardize razorback sucker population estimates based on remote PIT scanning data throughout the reservoirs in the lower Colorado River basin, the date ranges of marking and capture periods used to estimate the population in this report are different compared to previous annual reports (see Kesner et al. 2012, Kesner et al. 2014, Wisenall et al. 2015, Wisenall et al. 2016, and Leavitt et al. 2017). This change was reported in the 2018 annual report and updated estimates for all available years (SYs 2010-2017) were provided (Burgad et al. 2019). These estimates were updated to include an estimate for SY 2018 in this final report.

## Adult Survival

In 2018, a robust mark-recapture model was developed to increase the amount of remote sensing data that can be incorporated into mark-recapture models and to improve model fit by including temporary emigration into the model (Burgad et al. 2019). The inclusion of temporary emigration improved model fit and up to $8 \%$ of the population was estimated to emigrate out of the observable spawning areas per year. The data included in the initial model were restricted to adult repatriate razorback sucker known to be alive over the modeled period, i.e., the fish were known to be alive and present in Lake Mohave during all years of the robust model analysis (SYs 2012-1017), because they all were contacted in 2018 and released prior to 2010. This limited dataset reduced complexity of the mark-recapture model for initial evaluation. In this final report, we extended this model to all adult razorback sucker and used accumulated scanning data from SY 2013 to SY 2019 to estimate annual survival for River and Basin subpopulations.

Robust mark-recapture models combine closed sessions, repeated sampling occasions during which no mortality or migration occurs, with open periods between sessions with mortality and temporary migration (Kendall et al. 1997). Capture and recapture rates are estimated from the demographically closed sampling occasions within each session. Survival and temporary emigration rates are estimated from data collected over multiple SYs. There are 13 different parameterizations of the robust model in the computer program MARK (Cooch and White 2016). Most of these are based on variations in closed mark-recapture parameterizations (see Otis et al. 1978). The "Huggin's p and c" model was selected for this analysis. This model removes population estimation from the likelihood, but it is still calculated as a 'derived' parameter and
allows for differences in capture probabilities within a session (i.e., SY). The model also includes separate parameters for first time capture (p) and recapture (c). The gamma' ( $\gamma^{\prime}$ ) and gamma" $\left(\gamma^{\prime \prime}\right)$ parameters in the model allow for individuals to temporarily emigrate out of and immigrate back into the scanning area between sessions. $\gamma^{\prime}$ is the probability a fish emigrates away from the scanning area, and $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ is the probability a fish remains out of the study area once it has emigrated. The probability of a fish surviving from one session to the next is estimated by the parameter S .

Sampling occasions for Lake Mohave PIT scanning were based on monthly PIT scanning trips conducted on behalf of this contract by M\&A. These trips were typically four to five days long and were conducted monthly since 2011, between January and August prior to 2015 and yearround since 2015. PIT scanning deployments on these trips were focused on razorback sucker aggregation sites upstream of Willow Beach (River zone). PIT scanning data in Basin were predominately collected with shore-based PIT scanners running continuously through the spawning season (typically November through April). To establish discrete capture (scanning) occasions for the robust model, contacts recorded outside the week of River scanning trips were removed from capture histories (i.e., regardless of contact location, only contacts collected during the date range of monthly River PIT scanning trips were included). PIT scanning occasions were grouped by SY to represent a sample session. To allow enough time between sessions for mortality and migration, only PIT scanning occasions between December and May of each SY (session) were included.

Separate capture history files were derived for PIT scanning contacts in River and Basin. Therefore, an individual PIT tag could occur in both River and Basin contact histories if the fish moved across zones within the seven years analyzed, and temporary immigration as assessed separately for River and Basin contact histories could represent movement between zones as well as movement to an unobserved subpopulation. In general, a PIT tag contact was included in the contact history if it met these criteria: the contact occurred during the modeled sample week, the contact occurred in the zone being modeled (Basin or River), and the contact occurred in a SY more than 2 years after the release SY. This last requirement was used to meet the assumption that the model was assessing adult survival.

Capture (p) and recapture (c) rates were set equal for any given sample occasion (hereon referred to as contact rates) because the likelihood of either is equivalent when both are represented by PIT scanning contacts. Contact rates varied with time (occasion) in all models because PIT scanning effort varied from month to month and contact rates were higher during peak spawning months (January through March) compared to other sampling months. Different migration parameterizations were modeled to represent three potential temporary emigration patterns; no temporary emigration ( $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ and $\gamma^{\prime}$ fixed at 0 ), random emigration ( $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ equals $\gamma^{\prime}$ for each between session period), and Markovian emigration ( $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ and $\gamma^{\prime}$ independent and time varying); see Kendall et al. (1997) for further explanation. In all models with time varying migration and survival, the last parameter values of both migration rates ( $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ and $\gamma^{\prime}$ ) were constrained to equal values from the penultimate period to eliminate confounding of parameters (Kendall et al. 1997).

Models were ranked within MARK based on Akaike's Information Criterion (AIC) score (Akaike 1974). This value reported in MARK is a modified value (AICc) that adjusts for small sample sizes (Burnham and Anderson 2002). No estimate of $\hat{c}$ was available in the current version of MARK for robust models; however, the Fletcher estimate of $\hat{c}$ (Fletcher 2012) based on the known adult population from last year's model was approximately one (Burgad et al. 2019). Values of ĉ near one indicated good model fit, so AICc was not adjusted for overdispersion. Reported parameter values were based on the highest ranked model (lowest AICc or quasi-likelihood [QAICc]) if QAICc weight for the top model was greater than 0.9 (Johnson and Omland 2004). Otherwise estimates were based on model averaging of all tested models.

## Post-Stocking Fate <br> Displacement

Stocking displacement was examined by calculating distance traveled from stocking locations and tallying movement between zones. The analysis included hatchery-reared individual razorback sucker stocked from October 1, 2008 through September 30, 2013 that were implanted with a 134.2 kHz PIT tag. The beginning of this interval marks the year when all razorback sucker being repatriated to Lake Mohave were injected with a 134.2 kHz PIT tag and the end of this interval denotes a "moving window" to allow enough time for fish to disperse. Razorback suckers stocked from lakeside backwaters were excluded from this analysis because these events
occurred only in Basin. The inclusion of lakeside stockings would result in a confounding factor that could not be isolated from the effects of release zone. Individuals with less than ten contacts were removed from analyses to reduce the probability that contacts were due to chance alone.

Analyses were performed separately for fish stocked in each zone (i.e., River, Liberty, Basin, and Katherine) by pooling data across all stocking locations within each zone (figure 7) and then tabulating all contact history combinations. To investigate transitional razorback suckers that were released in Basin and contacted in River, and those that were released in River and contacted in Basin, unique contacts per scanning SY were analyzed and contact proportions, by zone, were calculated and graphed. Stocking displacement was calculated by measuring the distance traveled in reservoir kilometers (rkm) from the locality of contact to Davis Dam (i.e., river mouth) for every individual. A combination of QGIS version 2.18.16 (QGIS Development Team 2017) and R version 3.4.3 ( R Development Core Team 2017) was used to calculate displacement. First, polyline data were obtained from the National Hydrography Dataset Plus (NHDPlus), which represented the river network and allowed calculating distance as the path along the watercourse instead of straight-line distance (i.e., Euclidean). Next, the river was clipped to the extent of the study area and a dissolve was performed to expedite calculations in R. The "mouthdistbysurvey" function in the "riverdist" package was used to calculate distance between subsequent dates of contact for every individual (Tyers 2017). By default, the "mouthdistbysurvey" function only allowed distance computation when an individual moved between two different locations (i.e., unique coordinates). Stocking displacement was visualized by plotting the distance contacted from Davis Dam across all individuals for each year with violin plots. Violin plots are similar to box plots but incorporate a rotated kernel density plot on each side to illustrate the abundance of contacts (more contacts equals wider plots), thus providing a spatially explicit illustration.

## Repatriate Recruitment

Beyond providing population estimates and monitoring the overall health and distribution of the population in Lake Mohave, the monitoring program provides analysis of factors that impact stocking survival, which informs the repatriation program. Remote sensing of PIT tagged razorback suckers through the deployment of PIT scanners has provided orders of magnitude more contact data than previous methods (e.g., routine monitoring). In previous reports, the data
were used to assess post-stocking survival and the factors influencing survival within a markrecapture framework. However, PIT scanning data as collected must be reduced and manipulated to fit the mark-recapture models, the results of which rarely go beyond the "bigger is better" paradigm (Wisenall et al. 2015). A different approach outside the mark-recapture methodology was therefore utilized in this comprehensive report.

The repatriation program is best served by optimizing the number of stocked individuals that survive to eventually produce larvae and thereby contribute to the repatriation program. We assumed that stocked razorback suckers have fully recruited to the repatriate population when they participate in spawning aggregations at locations where larvae can be collected for the program. These locations are also locations where PIT scanners are deployed consistently and extensively throughout the spawning season. Based on estimates of population size and the number of unique PIT tags contacted on an annual basis (e.g., Burgad et al. 2019), a majority of available (i.e., recruited) razorback suckers in Lake Mohave are contacted annually. Therefore, the proportion of a release "cohort" that is contacted via PIT scanners after they have matured to adulthood is directly proportional to the actual recruitment rate for that release cohort, and these contact proportions could be used directly to provide post-stocking analysis for the repatriation program.

Release data for all fish released with a 134.2 kHz PIT tag between SY 2008 and SY 2014 were divided into release cohorts based on pre-release factors of interest; size class (TL in 10 mm bins), release SY, and pond rearing (yes for backwater or pond hatchery rearing sites and no for raceway hatcheries). Release cohorts were also separated by month of release to allow for multiple data points among size class, release year, and pond rearing factors. To ensure the contact was with a fully recruited adult fish, the contacted PIT tag was included only if it was matched with a razorback sucker released more than two SYs prior to the contact. Also, release cohorts only included fish that were measured (TL in mm) and tagged with 134.2 kHz PIT tag prior to that release.

Due to the requirement that fish were at large for more than two SYs, only fish released through SY 2014 were analyzed. This gave all release cohorts at least three full years of PIT scanning to
be counted as "recruited." Based on previous mark-recapture analysis on a known population of adult razorback sucker (Burgad et al. 2019), an individual razorback sucker available to PIT scanning has a greater than $90 \%$ probability of being contacted at least once after three years of availability. This is likely only true for razorback sucker released in River and Basin, so only razorback suckers released in River and Basin were included. To reduce the impact of low sample size on variation in capture proportions cohorts with less than 20 fish released were excluded.


Figure 7.—Stocking locations of razorback sucker from October 1, 2008 to September 30, 2013 in River, Liberty, Basin, and Katherine zones of Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada; location map inset.

## Results

## Routine Monitoring

Trammel netting efforts near Carp Cove from Oct 1, 2014 to Sep 30, 2019 (SY 2015 through SY 2019) resulted in capture of 102 razorback suckers (Appendix 1). Fish with unknown histories ( $\mathrm{n}=12$ ), one wild fish, and five fish with same-trip captures were removed from further analysis; remaining individuals ( $\mathrm{n}=84$ ) all were PIT tagged repatriates (table 1). Sex was determined at time of capture and most fish captured were female ( $\mathrm{n}=68$ ); there were 15 males and one juvenile. More females than males were captured during both March (43 females, 14 males) and Nov/Dec (25 females, 1 male) monitoring events.

Table 1.—Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada Data presented by number of fish by capture date and sex.

| Capture date | n fish by sex |  |  | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | F | M | J |  |
| Mar |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 16 | 6 | 1 | 23 |
| 2016 | 7 | 3 |  | 10 |
| 2017 | 4 |  |  | 4 |
| 2018 | 7 | 3 |  | 10 |
| 2019 | 9 | 2 |  | 11 |
| Total | 43 | 14 | 1 | 58 |
| Nov |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 |  |  | 8 |
| 2018 | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Total | 9 |  |  | 9 |
| Dec |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 | 11 | 1 |  | 12 |
| 2016 | 5 |  |  | 5 |
| Total | 16 | 1 |  | 1704 |
| Grand total | 68 | 15 | 1 | 84 |

Four fish did not have paired stocking-capture data (i.e., fish with both a stocking and capture record in the database matched by PIT tag) and were excluded from further analysis. The remaining 80 fish had a TL that ranged from 265 to 531 mm at stocking and from 342 to 741 mm at capture with overall mean TLs at stocking and capture at 426 and 595 mm , respectively (table 2). Four fish had individual TLs at release less than 300 mm TL, 18 fish had individual TLs ranging from 300 to 399 mm TL, and 58 fish had individual TLs from 400 mm TL or greater while individual TLs at capture ranged from less than 400 to greater than 600 mm TL (table 3). A list of paired stocking-capture data is provided in Appendix 1.

Table 2.—Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: number of fish per capture date, mean (SD; range) of $\mathrm{TL}(\mathrm{mm})$ at stocking and capture, time at large in days, months, and years. Time at large is capture date minus stocking date divided by 30 days for months at large or 365 days for years at large. Stocking date is when fish were stocked into Lake Mohave.

| Capture date | n fish | TL (mm) |  | Time at large |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | Stocking | Capture | Days | Months | Years |
|  |  | Mean (SD; range) | Mean (SD; range) | Mean (SD; range) | Mean (SD; range) | Mean (SD; range) |
| Mar |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 21 | 415 (56; 306-500) | 577 (97; 342-675) | 2,250 (1935; 10-6,719) | 75 (64; < 1-224) | 6 (5; < 1-18) |
| 2016 | 9 | 427 (77; 265-520) | 611 (44; 530-665) | 1,986 (1,326; 419-4912) | 66 (44; 14-164) | $5(4 ; 1-13)$ |
| 2017 | 4 | 532 (66; 350-490) | 655 (25; 626-685) | 3,800 (738; 2,918-4,654) | 127 (25; 97-155) | 10 (2; 8-13) |
| 2018 | 9 | 427 (43; 345-500) | 593 (87; 401-660) | 2,853 (2,321; 87-8,150) | 95 (77; 3-272) | 8 (6; < 1-22) |
| 2019 | 11 | 424 (72; 280-531) | 573 (118; 419-741) | 2,177 (2,510; 40-7,903) | 72 (84; 1-263) | 6 (7; < 1-22) |
| Total | 54 | 422 (60; 265-531) | 590 (90; 342-741) | 2,406 (1,986; 10-8,150) | 80 (66; < 1-272) | 6 (5; < 1-22) |
| Nov |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 | 449 (52; 355-510) | 631 (9; 620-643) | $\begin{gathered} 2,504(1,136 ; 1,489- \\ 4,911) \\ \hline \end{gathered}$ | 83 (38; 50-164) | 7 (3; 4-13) |
| 2018 | 1 | 458 | 561 | 203 | 7 | $<1$ |
| Total | 9 | 450 (49; 355-510) | 623 (25; 561-643) | 2,249 (1,310; 203-4,911) | 75 (44; 7-164) | $6(4 ;<1-13)$ |
| Dec |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014a | 12 | 424 (36; 350-470) | 589 (46; 475-645) | 1,178 (863; 322-3,465) | 39 (29; 11-116) | 3 (2; <1-9) |
| 2016 | 5 | 425 (86; 285-510) | 613 (54; 543-671) | 2,208 (1,898; 327-5,247) | 74 (63; 11-175) | 6 (5; <1-14) |
| Total | 17 | 424 (53; 285-510) | 596 (48; 475-671) | 1,408 (1,283; 322-5,247) | 49 (43; 11-175) | 4 (3; <1-14) |
| Grand Total | 80 | 426 (58; 265-531) | 595 (78; 342-741) | 2,192 (1,815; 10-8,150) | 73 (60; <1-272) | 6 (5; <1-22) |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ One fish missing TL

Table 3.—Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: number of fish per capture date, and TL (mm) at stocking and capture.

| Capture date | n fish | TL at stocking (mm) |  |  | TL at capture (mm) |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 200-299 | 300-399 | > $=400$ | 300-399 | 400-599 | $>=600$ |
| Mar |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 21 | 0 | 9 | 12 | 3 | 7 | 11 |
| 2016 | 9 | 1 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 7 |
| 2017 | 7 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 4 |
| 2018 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 6 |
| 2019 | 11 | 1 | 2 | 8 | 0 | 5 | 6 |
| Total | 54 | 2 | 15 | 37 | 3 | 17 | 34 |
| Nov |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 8 |
| 2018 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total | 9 | 0 | 1 | 8 | 0 | 1 | 8 |
| Dec |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $2014{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 12 | 1 | 2 | 9 | 0 | 8 | 4 |
| 2016 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 2 | 3 |
| Total | 17 | 2 | 2 | 13 | 0 | 10 | 7 |
| Grand total | 80 | 4 | 18 | 58 | 3 | 28 | 49 |

${ }^{a}$ One fish missing TL

The shortest time at large, from stocking to capture, was presented by 12 fish that were at large for less than 1 year (table 4). Years at large for the other 68 fish ranged from 1 to 22 years (figure 8) with overall mean years at large for all fish approximately 6 years (tables 2 and 4).

Table 4.-Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: number of fish, capture date, and years at large.

| Capture date | $\begin{gathered} n \\ \text { fish } \end{gathered}$ | Years at large |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & < \\ & 1 \end{aligned}$ | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 16 | 18 | 22 |
| Mar |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 21 | 3 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |  | 1 | 1 | 2 |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 |  |
| 2016 | 9 | 0 | 1 |  | 1 | 4 |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 4 | 0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  | 1 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2018 | 9 | 2 |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 5 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |
| 2019 | 11 | 4 |  |  | 1 | 1 |  | 1 | 2 |  |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  | 1 |
| Total | 54 | 9 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |
| Nov |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 | 0 |  |  |  | 3 |  | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2018 | 1 | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 9 | 1 |  |  |  | 3 |  | 2 |  | 2 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |
| Dec |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 | 12 | 1 |  | 5 | 2 | 2 | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2016 | 5 | 1 |  |  | 1 |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Total | 17 | 2 |  | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 |  | 1 |  | 1 |  |  |  | 1 |  |  |  |  |
| Grand total | 80 | 12 | 2 | 7 | 8 | 12 | 5 | 5 | 3 | 8 | 3 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 |



Figure 8.-Years at large at time of capture for 80 razorback suckers captured during November/December and March monitoring periods 2015-2019.

Sixty-one fish were captured the first time since their stocking during the monitoring period (table 5) and their time at large ranged from approximately 1 to 22 years before their first captures (Appendix 2). The remaining 19 fish had more than two captures with time between first and second captures ranging from 1 to 9 years; of these, three fish had three captures, one fish had four captures and one fish had five captures (table 5 and Appendix 2).

Table 5.—Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: number of fish, capture date, and number of captures since stocking.

| Capture date | n fish | n captures |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| Mar |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 21 | 14 | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 9 | 6 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2017 | 4 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 9 | 6 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2019 | 54 | 38 | 12 | 3 | 1 | 0 |
| Total |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Nov |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| 2018 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 9 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Dec |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 | 12 | 10 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 5 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 17 | 15 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand total | 80 | 61 | 14 | 3 | 1 | 1 |

Year class data were missing from 26 fish (Appendix 2). Of the remaining 54 fish, year classes ranged from 2001 to 2016; the 2004-year class was not represented. Most fish were one to six years old at stocking $(\mathrm{n}=52)$; year class could not be determined for two fish with multiple year data provided (Appendix 2).

Two females and two males had growth rates less than $1 \mathrm{~mm} / \mathrm{month}$, which likely was due to measurement error; one juvenile had zero growth rate (Appendix 2). Of the remaining 62 females, growth rate ranged from 1 to $15 \mathrm{~mm} /$ month, and of the remaining 11 males, growth rate ranged from 1 to $11 \mathrm{~mm} /$ month (table 6). Mean growth rate of all females was $6 \mathrm{~mm} \mathrm{TL} / \mathrm{month}$ and for all males approximately 4 mm TL/month.

Table 6.-Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: sex and capture date, mean growth rate, and growth rate per month. Growth rate/month is mean capture TL ( mm ) minus mean stocking $\mathrm{TL}(\mathrm{mm})$ divided by mean months at large.
(Table 6 is continued on the next page.)

| Sex and capture date | $\stackrel{n}{\text { fish }}$ | Mean growth rate (mm/month) | Growth rate (mm/month) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 0 | < 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 15 |
| Female |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 14 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2017 | 4 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 6 | 8 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2019 | 9 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| Total | 39 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 6 | 3 | 7 | 7 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 1 |
| November |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2017 | 8 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 9 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| December |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| $2014{ }^{\text {a }}$ | 11 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | 3 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 5 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Total | 16 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 5 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Grand total | 64 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 11 | 10 | 10 | 10 | 4 | 4 | 4 | 1 | 1 | 1 |

(Table 6 continued)

| Sex and capture date | $\begin{gathered} n \\ \text { fish } \end{gathered}$ | Mean growth rate (mm/month) | Growth rate (mm/month) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  |  | 0 |  | < 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 | 9 | 10 | 11 | 12 | 15 |
| Male |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| March |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 6 | 7 | 0 | 2 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| 2016 | 3 | 7 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2018 | 3 | 2 | 0 | 1 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| 2019 | 2 | 7 | 0 | 1 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 14 | 7 | 0 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
| December |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2014 | 1 | 4 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Total | 1 | 6 | 0 | 0 |  | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
| Grand total | 15 | 6 | 0 | 4 |  | 0 | 1 | 1 | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ One fish missing TL

Most captured fish were stocked in Basin ( $\mathrm{n}=59$ ) with 36 reared in lakeside backwaters and 23 in off-site facilities (table 7). Rearing locations that contributed the most repatriates during the monitoring period were Willow Beach NFH, Yuma Cove and Arizona Juvenile lakeside backwaters, and Achii Hanyo NFH.

Table 7. -Razorback sucker monitoring summary from Mar, Nov and Dec monitoring events, Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Summary statistics for 80 PIT tagged fish captured near Carp Cove with paired stocking-capture data: number of fish by rearing type and location, and release zone.

| Rearing | n fish | Release zone |  |  |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | River | Liberty | Basin | Katherine |
| Lakeside backwater |  |  |  |  |  |
| Arizona Juvenile | 12 | 0 | 0 | 12 | 0 |
| Dandy Cove | 5 | 0 | 0 | 5 | 0 |
| North Chemehuevi Cove | 4 | 0 | 0 | 4 | 0 |
| Willow backwater | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 |
| Yuma Cove | 14 | 0 | 0 | 14 | 0 |
|  | 36 | 0 | 0 | 36 | 0 |
| Off-site facility |  |  |  |  | 0 |
| Achii Hanyo | 10 | 2 | 0 | 8 | 0 |
| Boulder City Wetlands Park | 3 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0 |
| Bubbling Ponds FH | 7 | 5 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Dexter NFH (SNARRC) | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 |
| Lake Mead Fish Hatchery | 3 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 |
| Overton Wildlife Management <br> Area, Center Pond | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 |
| Willow Beach NFH | 18 | 0 | 11 | 6 | 1 |
|  | 74 | 7 | 12 | 23 | 2 |
| Grand Total | 80 | 7 | 12 | 59 | 2 |

## Remote Monitoring SY 2019

SY 2019 PIT scanning efforts (figure 3) resulted in 96,575 total contacts (all species), 4,408 of which were unique PIT tags, with 4,285 of those having a marking history in the Native Fish Database (i.e., have a marking record). This excludes fish that were in the database but did not have a proper marking record, and fish that were marked and released in a backwater but did not have a record of release into the reservoir. Among fish with a marking record, 4,225 were razorback suckers ( 4,165 repatriates, 10 of wild origin, and 50 of unknown origin), and 60 were bonytail (all repatriates).

River PIT scanner deployments resulted in a total of 23,330 contacts from 2,237 unique PIT tags of which 2,169 had a marking record. Among fish with a marking record, all were razorback suckers ( 2,155 repatriates, seven wild, and seven of unknown origin). In Liberty, a total of 302 PIT tag contacts were recorded representing 101 unique PIT tags, all of which had a marking record in the Native Fish Database. Of the unique fishes contacted in Liberty, 81 were razorback suckers ( 80 repatriates and one of unknown origin) and 20 were bonytail (all repatriates). In Basin, a total of 72,943 contacts were recorded representing 2,462 unique PIT tags for which 2,366 had a marking record in the Native Fish Database. Of the unique fishes contacted in Basin, 2,326 were razorback suckers (2,274 repatriates, four of wild origin, and 48 of unknown origin) and 40 were bonytail (all repatriates).

## SY 2015-2019

For the entire contract period a total of 598,503 PIT tag contacts were recorded, 6,308 of which were unique PIT tags, with 5,957 of those having a marking history in the Native Fish Database. Among fish with a marking record, 5,851 were razorback suckers ( 5,774 repatriates, 13 of wild origin, and 64 of unknown origin), and 106 were bonytail (all repatriates).

Among 107,625 contacts in River over the contract period, 3,554 were unique PIT tags and of those 3,398 had a marking record in the Native Fish Database. Among fish with a marking record, all were razorback suckers ( 3,374 repatriates, 10 of wild origin, and 14 of unknown origin). No bonytail were detected in River. In Liberty, a total of 681 PIT tag contacts were recorded representing 241 unique PIT tags, 238 of which had a marking record in the Native Fish

Database. Among fishes with a marking record, 193 were razorback suckers (190 repatriates and three of unknown origin) and 45 were bonytail (all repatriates). In Basin, a total of 518,734 contacts were recorded representing 3,722 unique PIT tags for which 3,523 had a marking record in the Native Fish Database. Of the unique fishes contacted, 3,462 were razorback suckers (3,396 repatriates, five of wild origin, and 61 of unknown origin) and 61 were bonytail (all repatriates). In Katherine, a total of 371 PIT tag contacts were recorded representing 59 unique PIT tags, 54 of which had a marking record in the Native Fish Database. Among fish with a marking record, all were repatriated razorback suckers. In general, unique contact rates have increased over time, along with increased scanning effort, for the three zones scanned on an annual basis: River, Liberty, and Basin (figures 3 and 9).

PIT scanning contacts at fixed sites in River were compared during the entire duration of scanning from January 2013 to September 2019. The spawning period was evident as most contacts were recorded at Black Bar from November through April, becoming fewer in subsequent months and scattered at different locations (figure 10). The next largest spawning aggregation site was at Boy Scout Cove. After the spawning season, PIT scanning contacts with razorback suckers declined at Black Bar and Boy Scout Cove with no evident increase at other fixed sites.


Figure 9.-Total number of unique contacts in each zone from SY 2010-2019 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
N is the number of unique contacts in Liberty; Katherine is overlapping with Liberty in 2017 and the total number of unique contacts ( $n=59$ ) is not visible.


Figure 10.-Spatial distribution of contacts (red circles; A) and mean unique razorback sucker PIT tag contacts (B) recorded January 2013 to September 2019 at five fixed stations in River zone, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Error bars represent $\pm 1 \mathrm{SE}$.

## Population Estimates

## Routine Monitoring

Too few wild razorback suckers have been encountered during routine monitoring from SY 2015 through SY 2019 to estimate their abundance. The repatriated razorback sucker population in

2014, based on 2014 and 2015 March monitoring data, was estimated at 2,230 fish (95\% confidence interval [CI] from 922 to 5,963 ) which was more than double the current (2018) estimate, based on 2018 and 2019 March monitoring data, for razorback sucker in Lake Mohave of 994 fish ( $95 \%$ CI from 602 to 1,639) (table 8).

Table 8.-Repatriated RASU population estimates, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada, 2015-2019, using annual single census population estimate, $\mathrm{N}^{*}$ (Chapman modification of the modified Peterson Method; Seber 1973)

| Marking year | Sampling year | $\boldsymbol{N}^{*}$ | $95 \%$ CI |  | Source |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :--- |
|  |  |  | 602 | Lower |  |
| 2018 | 2018 | $841^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 694 | 4,487 | Pacey (unpublished) <br> 2017 |
| 2016 | 2017 | $1,291^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 531 | 3,436 | Pacey, Marsh, and <br> Kesner 2018 |
| Kesner Marsh, and |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2015 | 2016 | $1,707^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 603 | 3,897 | Pacey, Marsh, and <br> Kesner 2016 |
| 2014 | 2015 | $2,230^{\mathrm{a}}$ | 922 | 5,963 | Pacey and Marsh 2015 |

${ }^{\text {a }}$ Estimate adjusted to exclude fish captured in March of marking year that were released in March of marking year, as well as fish released after March 1 of marking year and captured in March of sampling year.

## Remote Monitoring

Based on SY 2018 and SY 2019 remote PIT scanning, the 134.2 kHz PIT tagged Lake Mohave repatriate population for 2018 was estimated at 3,649 individuals ( $95 \%$ CI from 3,552 to 3,745; figure 11, table 9). Population estimates using zone specific scanning for 2018 estimated Basin population at $1,963(95 \%$ CI from 1,904 to 2,021$)$ and River at 2,120 ( $95 \% \mathrm{CI}$ from 2,012 to 2,227; figure 11, table 10). Too few wild fish were contacted to estimate Basin and River subpopulations separately (four and seven contacts, respectively). The lake-wide estimates of wild and unknown populations based on PIT scanning in 2018 and 2019 were 9 and 32 fish, respectively.

Lake-wide repatriate population estimates based on PIT scanning were low in the initial years of PIT scanning (figure 3) but increased each year until peaking in 2016 at 3,871 fish, thereafter, declining slightly in 2017 and 2018 (figure 11 and table 9). Repatriate subpopulation estimates for River and Basin have followed a similar trend over time, with peaks of 2,243 and 1,894 fish

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in 2016, respectively (table 10). Repatriate population estimates have remained close for both subpopulations. Lake-wide population estimates of wild fish have steadily declined from a high in 2012 of 15 fish and low in 2018 of 9 fish (table 9). The unknown population has increased from a low of 7 in 2013 and 2014 to a high of 32 in 2018; no unknown estimate was calculated for 2015 due to low recaptures (3).

Table 9.—Repatriate, Wild, and Unknown lake-wide population estimates based on remote PIT scanning data

| History | Year | M | C | R | Estimate (95\% CI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Repatriate | 2010 | 103 | 130 | 27 | 486 (339-725) |
|  | 2011 | 295 | 1,424 | 181 | 2,317 (2,003-2,630) |
|  | 2012 | 1,119 | 1,979 | 824 | 2,688 (2,547-2,828) |
|  | 2013 | 1,843 | 2,030 | 1,209 | 3,095 (2,984-3,205) |
|  | 2014 | 1,644 | 2,465 | 1,185 | 3,420 (3,279-3,560) |
|  | 2015 | 2,033 | 2,743 | 1,520 | 3,669 (3,545-3,792) |
|  | 2016 | 2,140 | 3,030 | 1,675 | 3,871 (3,747-3,994) |
|  | 2017 | 2,011 | 3,028 | 1,677 | 3,631 (3,514-3,747) |
|  | 2018 | 2,341 | 3,050 | 1,957 | 3,649 (3,552-3,745) |
| Unknown | 2012 | 4 | 7 | 4 | 8 (4-20) |
|  | 2013 | 6 | 6 | 6 | 7 (3-15) |
|  | 2014 | 6 | 4 | 4 | 7 (3-18) |
|  | 2016 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 12 (7-24) |
|  | 2017 | 16 | 16 | 14 | 19 (12-33) |
|  | 2018 | 22 | 26 | 18 | 32 (21-53) |
| Wild | 2012 | 11 | 9 | 7 | 15 (8-32) |
|  | 2013 | 9 | 10 | 9 | 11 (6-22) |
|  | 2014 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 12 (6-28) |
|  | 2015 | 8 | 10 | 7 | 12 (6-26) |
|  | 2016 | 6 | 8 | 5 | 10 (5-24) |
|  | 2017 | 4 | 8 | 4 | 9 (4-23) |
|  | 2018 | 7 | 8 | 7 | 9 (5-19) |

Table 10.-Repatriate subpopulation estimates based on remote PIT scanning data

| Zone | Year | M | C | R | Estimate (95\% CI) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| River | 2011 | 225 | 870 | 136 | 1,436 (1,215-1,656) |
|  | 2012 | 560 | 980 | 354 | 1,550 (1,421-1,678) |
|  | 2013 | 897 | 1,062 | 506 | 1,882 (1,763-2,000) |
|  | 2014 | 703 | 1,305 | 465 | 1,973 (1,829-2,116) |
|  | 2015 | 1,001 | 1,311 | 637 | 2,060 (1,945-2,174) |
|  | 2016 | 793 | 1,742 | 616 | 2,243 (2,100-2,385) |
|  | 2017 | 823 | 1,619 | 635 | 2,098 (1,970-2,225) |
|  | 2018 | 1,017 | 1,622 | 778 | 2,120 (2,012-2,227) |
| Basin | 2010 | 103 | 76 | 27 | 286 (199-426) |
|  | 2011 | 61 | 566 | 44 | 781 (586-1,065) |
|  | 2012 | 560 | 1,077 | 472 | 1,278 (1,191-1,364) |
|  | 2013 | 981 | 1,017 | 706 | 1,413 (1,355-1,470) |
|  | 2014 | 956 | 1,263 | 722 | 1,673 (1,593-1,752) |
|  | 2015 | 1,068 | 1,542 | 892 | 1,847 (1,768-1,925) |
|  | 2016 | 1,388 | 1,457 | 1,068 | 1,894 (1,835-1,952) |
|  | 2017 | 1,208 | 1,638 | 1,052 | 1,881 (1,813-1,948) |
|  | 2018 | 1,421 | 1,671 | 1,210 | 1,963 (1,904-2,021) |



Figure 11.-Repatriate razorback sucker population estimates derived from PIT scanning data from 2010 to 2019 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
The shaded area represents lower and upper 95\% confidence intervals.

## Adult Survival

The top robust model based on AIC weight for River and Basin PIT scanning was not the global model and was different for the two subpopulations (tables 11 and 12). In River, the top model with over $67 \%$ of AIC weight had fixed survival, fixed immigration, and time varying emigration. In Basin, the no temporary emigration model was the top-ranking model, but with a low AIC weight of about $25 \%$. The next five models with a combined weight of $64 \%$ had temporary emigration in the model.

Estimates of adult survival were similar between River and Basin, greater than 0.95 estimated probability (table 13), except for one estimate (Basin 2016 to 2017). Estimates of temporary emigration ( $\gamma^{\prime \prime}$ ) between zones were dissimilar with all but one estimate below 0.06 for Basin, and all but one estimate above 0.06 in River. However, paired (same time interval) $95 \%$ confidence intervals of emigration estimates between Basin and River overlap. Contact rates (probabilities) ranged from a low of 0.0012 on the last sampling occasion in May of 2019 (Basin) to 0.508 on the first sampling occasion in January 2013 (Basin). All years had at least one occasion with contact rates above 0.250 , with the highest value for a given year typically in February in Basin and December, January or February in River. Estimates of razorback suckers returning to the population $\left(1-\gamma^{\prime}\right)$ were lower in River than in Basin.

Table 11.—Results of robust model parameterizations used in Program MARK for River PIT scanning. $\mathrm{N}=1,773$ contact histories.

| Model | AICc | AICc Weight | No. parameters | Deviance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime}($. | 45,039.83 | 0.67428 | 46 | 92,667.41 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(.) \gamma^{\prime}($. | 45,043.99 | 0.08420 | 46 | 92,671.57 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(.) \gamma^{\prime}($. | 45,044.05 | 0.08187 | 41 | 92,681.72 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime}($. | 45,044.50 | 0.06537 | 50 | 92,664.00 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(.) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 45,045.62 | 0.03741 | 45 | 92,675.22 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 45,046.03 | 0.03048 | 50 | 92,665.52 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(.) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 45,046.70 | 0.02176 | 49 | 92,668.22 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 45,049.79 | 0.00463 | 53 | 92,663.23 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}()=.\gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 45,097.92 | 0.00000 | 45 | 92,727.52 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)=\gamma^{\prime}(t)$ | 45,102.91 | 0.00000 | 49 | 92,724.43 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}()=.\gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 45,103.80 | 0.00000 | 40 | 92,743.49 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)=\gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 45,105.77 | 0.00000 | 45 | 92,735.37 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)=\gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)$ | 45,110.37 | 0.00000 | 44 | 92,741.99 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)=\gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)$ | 45,126.72 | 0.00000 | 39 | 92,768.43 |

Table 12.—Results of robust model parameterizations used in Program MARK for Basin PIT scanning. $\mathrm{N}=1,027$ contact histories.

| Model | AICc | AICc Weight | No. parameters | Deviance |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)=\gamma^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}(0)$ | 15,708.37 | 0.25376 | 44 | 30,087.24 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) Y^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 15,708.93 | 0.19188 | 46 | 30,083.70 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 15,709.72 | 0.12887 | 50 | 30,076.27 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) Y^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 15,709.79 | 0.12450 | 50 | 30,076.34 |
| $\mathrm{S}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{p}(\mathrm{t})=\mathrm{c}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{Y}^{\prime \prime}(.) \mathrm{Y}^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}($. | 15,710.10 | 0.10657 | 46 | 30,084.87 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}()=.\gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 15,710.42 | 0.09100 | 45 | 30,087.24 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 15,712.05 | 0.04017 | 53 | 30,072.43 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) Y^{\prime \prime}(.) Y^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 15,712.77 | 0.02812 | 45 | 30,089.59 |
| $S(t) p(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)=\gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 15,713.84 | 0.01647 | 49 | 30,082.44 |
| $\mathrm{S}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{p}(\mathrm{t})=\mathrm{c}(\mathrm{t}) \mathrm{Y}^{\prime \prime}(.) \mathrm{Y}^{\prime \prime}(\mathrm{t})$ | 15,714.96 | 0.00938 | 49 | 30,083.57 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) Y^{\prime \prime}(.) Y^{\prime \prime}($. | 15,715.28 | 0.00802 | 41 | 30,100.29 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(0)=\gamma^{\prime}{ }^{\prime}(0)$ | 15,719.81 | 0.00083 | 39 | 30,108.92 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}()=.\gamma^{\prime \prime}($. | 15,721.83 | 0.00030 | 40 | 30,108.89 |
| $S() p.(t)=c(t) \gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)=\gamma^{\prime \prime}(t)$ | 15,723.60 | 0.00012 | 45 | 30,100.42 |

Table 13.-Repatriated adult razorback robust model estimates of survival, emigration, and immigration

| Parameter | Interval | River | Basin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Survival (S) | 2013 to 2014 | $0.973(0.894-0.993)$ | $0.985(0.747-0.999)$ |
|  | 2014 to 2015 | $0.973(0.897-0.993)$ | $0.954(0.795-0.991)$ |
|  | 2015 to 2016 | $0.974(0.885-0.994)$ | $0.995(0.96-1.03)$ |
|  | 2016 to 2017 | $0.974(0.897-0.994)$ | $0.917(0.693-0.982)$ |
|  | 2017 to 2018 | $0.963(0.844-0.992)$ | $0.957(0.715-0.995)$ |
|  | 2018 to 2019 | $0.955(0.759-0.993)$ | $0.961(0.652-0.997)$ |
|  | 2013 to 2014 | $0.119(0.074-0.187)$ | $0.069(0.007-0.431)$ |
|  | 2014 to 2015 | $0.051(0.014-0.172)$ | $0.045(0.002-0.472)$ |
|  | 2015 to 2016 | $0.07(0.032-0.146)$ | $0.008(-0.036-0.052)$ |
|  | 2016 to 2017 | $0.092(0.057-0.145)$ | $0.055(0.004-0.453)$ |
|  | 2017 to 2018 | $0.095(0.045-0.188)$ | $0.058(0.009-0.305)$ |
|  | 2018 to 2019 | $0.123(0.054-0.256)$ | $0.054(0.007-0.31)$ |
| Immigration (1-y) | 2014 to 2015 | $0.216(0.062-0.537)$ | $0.454(0.02-0.962)$ |
|  | 2015 to 2016 | $0.24(0.104-0.464)$ | $0.6(0.058-0.973)$ |
|  | 2016 to 2017 | $0.237(0.102-0.458)$ | $0.486(0.021-0.977)$ |
|  | 2017 to 2018 | $0.228(0.095-0.454)$ | $0.484(0.03-0.966)$ |
|  | 2018 to 2019 | $0.23(0.097-0.452)$ | $0.516(0.042-0.963)$ |

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Table 14.—Repatriated adult razorback robust model estimates of capture probability

| Year | Month | River | Basin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2013 | January | 0.302 (0.273-0.333) | 0.508 (0.419-0.597) |
|  | February | 0.345 (0.313-0.378) | 0.295 (0.23-0.369) |
|  | March | 0.314 (0.284-0.345) | 0.222 (0.167-0.289) |
|  | April | 0.184 (0.161-0.209) | 0.064 (0.037-0.106) |
|  | May | 0.083 (0.068-0.101) | 0.023 (0.009-0.054) |
| 2014 | January | 0.211 (0.184-0.24) | 0.237 (0.187-0.296) |
|  | February | 0.254 (0.224-0.286) | 0.312 (0.252-0.379) |
|  | March | 0.267 (0.237-0.3) | 0.224 (0.176-0.28) |
|  | May | 0.092 (0.075-0.112) | 0.014 (0.006-0.033) |
| 2015 | January | 0.186 (0.165-0.208) | 0.169 (0.131-0.215) |
|  | February | 0.477 (0.447-0.508) | 0.28 (0.227-0.34) |
|  | March | 0.323 (0.297-0.35) | 0.125 (0.093-0.164) |
|  | April | 0.108 (0.093-0.126) | 0.033 (0.02-0.056) |
|  | May | 0.079 (0.066-0.095) | 0.013 (0.006-0.03) |
| 2016 | December | 0.206 (0.185-0.229) | 0.054 (0.039-0.073) |
|  | January | 0.221 (0.199-0.244) | 0.3 (0.264-0.338) |
|  | February | 0.305 (0.279-0.331) | 0.476 (0.431-0.521) |
|  | March | 0.184 (0.164-0.205) | 0.098 (0.078-0.123) |
|  | April | 0.094 (0.08-0.11) | 0.012 (0.006-0.023) |
|  | May | 0.049 (0.039-0.061) | 0.013 (0.007-0.025) |
| 2017 | December | 0.28 (0.255-0.306) | 0.081 (0.063-0.103) |
|  | January | 0.297 (0.272-0.324) | 0.107 (0.087-0.132) |
|  | February | 0.234 (0.212-0.259) | 0.334 (0.297-0.373) |
|  | March | 0.253 (0.229-0.278) | 0.192 (0.164-0.223) |
|  | April | 0.088 (0.074-0.104) | 0.043 (0.031-0.06) |
|  | May | 0.053 (0.042-0.067) | 0.019 (0.011-0.031) |
| 2018 | December | 0.289 (0.262-0.317) | 0.059 (0.044-0.077) |
|  | January | 0.202 (0.18-0.227) | 0.132 (0.109-0.159) |

(Table 14 continued.)

| Year | Month | River | Basin |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2018 | February | $0.191(0.169-0.214)$ | $0.28(0.244-0.318)$ |
|  | March | $0.196(0.174-0.22)$ | $0.204(0.175-0.237)$ |
|  | April | $0.108(0.091-0.126)$ | $0.044(0.032-0.06)$ |
|  | May | $0.032(0.023-0.043)$ | $0.006(0.001-0.011)$ |
|  | December | $0.147(0.125-0.171)$ | $0.074(0.057-0.095)$ |
|  | January | $0.294(0.262-0.328)$ | $0.318(0.28-0.358)$ |
|  | February | $0.297(0.264-0.331)$ | $0.428(0.383-0.474)$ |
|  | March | $0.17(0.146-0.196)$ | $0.116(0.095-0.142)$ |
|  | April | $0.103(0.086-0.124)$ | $0.073(0.056-0.093)$ |
|  | May | $0.031(0.022-0.043)$ | $0.001(-0.001-0.004)$ |

## Post-Stocking Fate Displacement

A total of 53,315 hatchery-reared razorback suckers were stocked into Lake Mohave from October 2008 to September 2013 ². From these fish, a total of 311,966 contacts were recorded from SY 2014-2019, of which 2,597 were unique. After removal of individuals with fewer than 10 contacts, 1,997 unique fish remained with a total of 307,894 contacts. Of the 1,997 unique fish contacted, 1387 ( $69.5 \%$ ) were contacted in one zone, 575 (28.8\%) were contacted in two zones, $35(1.8 \%)$ were contacted in three zones, and none were contacted in four.

In River, there were five stocking locations from which 22,922 razorback sucker were released from October 2008 to September 2013. A total of 98,122 contacts were recorded from fish released in River, of which 1,345 were unique. Of the total 98,122 contacts, 66,354 (1,284 unique) were in River, 92 ( 59 unique) were in Liberty, 31,672 (445 unique) were in Basin, and four (three unique) were in

[^1]Katherine. Most River releases were contacted exclusively in River (64.3\%; table 15), however, a substantial proportion of razorback suckers were detected in Basin (33.1\%). Yearly stocking displacement analysis indicated a consistent pattern across all years, with most contacts in River but with fish also dispersing to Basin (figure 12).

Table 15.-Summary of contact histories for unique razorback suckers stocked in River zone from October 2008 to September 2013 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
(Combination refers to each scenario for contact histories; if fish were contacted in a particular zone it is denoted $[\mathrm{X}]$ and summarized by number contacted [ n ] and percent for each contact history combination.)

| Combination | River | Liberty | Basin | Katherine | n | Percent (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | - | X | - | 61 | 4.5 |
| 2 | X | - | - | - | 865 | 64.3 |
| 3 | X | - | - | X | 1 | 0.07 |
| 4 | X | - | X | - | 357 | 26.5 |
| 5 | X | - | X | X | 2 | 0.1 |
| 6 | X | X | - | - | 34 | 2.5 |
| 7 | X | X | X | - | 25 | 1.9 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

In Liberty, there were five stocking locations from which 11,087 razorback suckers were released from October 2008 to September 2013. A total of 31,614 contacts were recorded from fish released in Liberty, of which 209 were unique. Of the total 31,614 contacts, 5,255 (139 unique) were in River, 56 ( 13 unique) were in Liberty, 26,298 (139 unique) were in Basin, and five (one unique) were in Katherine. A small percentage of fish were detected exclusively in Liberty ( $0.5 \%$ ) and most fish were not contacted in Liberty at all ( $93.7 \%$ ). Detection of fish in River (30.1\%), Basin (30.6\%), and both River and Basin (32.5\%) were analogous (table 16). Yearly stocking displacement analysis indicated a consistent pattern across all years, with fish dispersing upstream and downstream from stocking localities (figure 13).

Table 16.-Summary of contact histories for unique razorback suckers stocked in Liberty zone from October 2008 to September 2013 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Combination refers to each scenario for contact histories; if fish were contacted in a particular zone it is denoted $[\mathrm{X}]$ and summarized by number contacted [ n ] and percent for each contact history combination.)

| Combination | River | Liberty | Basin | Katherine | $\mathbf{n}$ | Percent (\%) |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | - | $X$ | - | 64 | 30.6 |
| 2 | - | - | $X$ | $X$ | 1 | 0.5 |
| 3 | - | $X$ | - | - | 1 | 0.5 |
| 4 | - | $X$ | $X$ | - | 4 | 1.9 |
| 5 | $X$ | - | - | - | 63 | 30.1 |
| 6 | $X$ | - | $X$ | - | 68 | 32.5 |
| 7 | $X$ | $X$ | - | - | 6 | 2.9 |
| 8 | $X$ | $X$ | $X$ | - | 2 | 1 |

In Basin, there were nine stocking locations from which 12,214 fish were released from October 2008 to September 2013. A total of 168,984 contacts were recorded from fish released in Basin, of which 407 were unique. Of the 168,984 total contacts, 3,261 (120 unique) were in River, nine (eight unique) were in Liberty, 165,700 (387 unique) were in Basin, and 14 (two unique) were in Katherine. Most Basin releases were contacted exclusively in Basin (69.5\%; table 17), however, a substantial proportion of razorback suckers were detected in River (29.5\%). Yearly stocking displacement analysis indicated a consistent pattern across all years, with most contacts in Basin but with fish also dispersing to River (figure 14).

For razorback suckers that were stocked in River or Basin and contacted in both River and Basin, contact proportions were roughly equal between the two zones (figure 16).

Table 17.-Summary of contact histories for unique razorback suckers stocked in Basin zone from October 2008 to September 2012 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Combination refers to each scenario for contact histories; if fish were contacted in a particular zone it is denoted $[\mathrm{X}]$ and summarized by number contacted [ n ] and percent for each contact history combination.)

| Combination | River | Liberty | Basin | Katherine | $\mathbf{n}$ | Percent <br> $(\%)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | - | X | - | 283 | 69.5 |
| 2 | - | - | X | X | 1 | 0.2 |
| 3 | - | X | X | - | 3 | 0.7 |
| 4 | X | - | - | - | 20 | 4.9 |
| 5 | X | - | X | - | 94 | 23.1 |
| 6 | X | - | X | X | 1 | 0.2 |
| 7 | X | X | X | - | 5 | 1.2 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |

In Katherine, there was one stocking location from which 7,092 fish were released from October 2008 to September 2013. A total of 9,174 contacts were recorded from fish released in Katherine, of which 36 were unique. Of the 9,174 contacts, 1,444 (8 unique) were in River, none were in Liberty, 7729 ( 33 unique) were in Basin, and one was in Katherine. Most Katherine releases were detected exclusively in Basin, followed by a small portion of fish detected in both River and Basin (13.9\%; table 18). Yearly stocking displacement analysis indicated a consistent pattern, with fish dispersing to Basin and River, except in SY 2014 when fish were only detected in Basin (figure 15).

Table 18.-Summary of contact histories for unique razorback suckers stocked in Katherine zone from October 2008 to September 2012 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada
Combination refers to each scenario for contact histories; if fish were contacted in a particular zone it is denoted $[\mathrm{X}]$ and summarized by number contacted [ n$]$ and percent for each contact history combination.)

| Combination | River | Liberty | Basin | Katherine | $\mathbf{n}$ | Percent <br> $(\%)$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1 | - | - | X | - | 27 | 75 |
| 2 | - | - | X | X | 1 | 2.8 |
| 3 | X | - | - | - | 3 | 8.3 |
| 4 | X | - | X | - | 5 | 13.9 |
|  |  |  |  | Total | 36 | 100 |



Figure 12.-Relationship between number of contacts (red circles) and distance to Davis Dam (rkm) for razorback suckers stocked in River zone from October 2008 to September 2013, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Asterisks along y-axis represent stocking locations.


Figure 13.-Relationship between number of contacts (red circles) and distance to Davis Dam (rkm) for razorback suckers stocked in Liberty zone from October 2008 to September 2013, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Asterisks along y-axis represent stocking locations


Figure 14.-Relationship between number of contacts (red circles) and distance to Davis Dam (rkm) for razorback suckers stocked in Basin zone from October 2008 to September 2013, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Asterisks along y-axis represent stocking locations.


Figure 15.-Relationship between number of contacts (red circles) and distance to Davis Dam (rkm) for razorback suckers stocked in Katherine zone from October 2009 to September 2013, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.
Asterisk along y-axis represent stocking locations


Figure 16.-Contact proportions of unique razorback sucker PIT tags that were released in Basin and contacted in River, and released in River and contacted in Basin, for fish stocked from October 2008 to September 2013 in Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada.

## Repatriate Recruitment

Cohorts released at longer TL had higher contact rates for all years and there were few to no contacts for cohorts released at shorter than 400 mm TL (figure 17 and 18). This pattern is consistent between cohorts raised in ponds or raceways and across years. Other than size at release, release SY appears to account for the largest variation in cohort availability. The range of release sizes was also not consistent among years and zones. Cohorts released in River from 2010 through 2012 included cohorts of large fish (greater than 450 mm TL ), whereas cohorts from SY 2013 and 2014 included no large fish. In Basin, for all release years available for analysis (SY 2009 through SY 2014) no fish larger than 430 mm TL was released from raceways, whereas fish released from ponds ranged from 340 to 500 mm TL (Appendix 3). The cohort with the highest contact rate $(0.80,20$ out of 25 fish released) was released in October of 2010 from a lakeside backwater with a TL bin of 480 mm TL ( 480 to 489 mm TL ).

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Pond - No - Yes


Figure 17.—Proportion of razorback sucker released in River contacted at least once between SY 2017 through SY 2019, grouped into cohorts based on release SY, size at release ( 10 mm bins), and pond rearing (yes or no).
Each point represents a group of fish released at the reported SY, size ( 10 mm bin ), zone (River or Basin), and month (individual points).

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Pond - No - Yes


Figure 18.—Proportion of razorback sucker released in Basin contacted at least once between SY 2017 through SY 2019, grouped into cohorts based on release SY, size at release ( 10 mm bins), and pond rearing (yes or no).
Each point represents a group of fish released at the reported SY, size ( 10 mm bin), zone (River or Basin), and month (individual points).

## DISCUSSION

The long-term monitoring program for razorback suckers in Lake Mohave continues to evolve as data provide new information and insight on population dynamics and demographics. As new technologies develop, the data available to inform the program expands. Remote sensing via deployment of PIT scanners has increased the number of contacts with repatriated razorback suckers by at least one order of magnitude. However, the need for continued long-term basic biological data has not been eliminated. The consistent application of the same techniques and analyses for more than four decades has provided a context for which new data collected by new techniques can be compared.

Continued deployment of PIT scanning units has increased the spatial extent of the study area from the Basin to River where traditional methods were ineffective, adding information on large-scale dispersal patterns to the program. Previous reports based on preliminary PIT scanning data concluded that only a small proportion of fish dispersed from their zone of release in River and Basin (e.g., Wisenall et al. 2015, Burgad et al. 2019). Most razorback suckers stocked in River or Basin continue to remain in their zone of release, but a considerable portion (roughly one third) of fish released in River are contacted in Basin, and vice versa. This suggests that more movement exists between River and Basin than previously thought. Contact proportions between River and Basin were roughly equal for these multi-zone fish, thereby suggesting that time spent in the zone of destination was substantial, assuming that fish in each zone have equal probability of being contacted. This could be a sex-linked trait, males or females may be more likely to move from zone to zone, but currently sex is not known for most fish released.

Most razorback suckers released in Liberty are contacted upstream or downstream in River or Basin subpopulations in nearly equal numbers. This may suggest that habitat quality in Liberty is low, alternatively, aggregations of razorback sucker may have yet to be discovered in the zone, although this prospect seems
increasingly unlikely with each year of PIT scanning effort in this zone. Less is known about the fate of fish released in Katherine; they are contacted in River and Basin in low numbers, but little to no PIT scanning effort has been conducted there except in 2017.

PIT scanning also has provided additional estimates of population size, subpopulation size, and subpopulation adult survival using mark-recapture models. PIT scanning estimates of subpopulations in River and Basin have remained stable over the last five years, but the routine monitoring estimate has declined. The temporal constraints of the routine monitoring estimate (March data only) may no longer be adequate to estimate the entire Basin subpopulation. This could be due to the age of the repatriation program, i.e., a shift in behavior or timing of spawning in Basin as the population shifts from a young population to a more mature age structure as the repatriation program ages. Further analysis of PIT scanning data using "known" populations of razorback sucker that include shifting temporal windows to estimate population size would increase our understanding of this widening discrepancy.

Adult survival in River and Basin is substantially higher than previously reported based on capture data (Kesner et al. 2012, Marsh et al. 2005). Adult survival also is substantially higher than other locations in the Colorado River (e.g., Zelasko et al. 2010). This increase in estimated annual survival likely is not due to the addition of temporary emigration in the mark-recapture model, because the highest-ranking model in Basin included no temporary emigration. More likely, the additional spatial coverage and sheer volume of data that PIT scanning provides has improved accuracy and precision of adult estimates. It therefore is possible that adult survival estimates elsewhere will increase as PIT scanning is incorporated into models for those reaches. Regardless, it is not unusual for large, long lived catostomids to have annual survival over $90 \%$ (e.g., Scoppettone et al. 2015).

The clear relationship between size and survival continues to dominate poststocking analysis. Based on analysis of post-release contacts evaluated for release cohorts, there is little to no difference in future availability (recruitment) of fish raised in ponds or raceways. In Basin, most of the fish available were raised in ponds, but the discrepancies in release size between pond and raceway raised fish may account for the lack of raceway raised fish in Basin. In River, the lack of releases at larger sizes (greater than 420 mm TL) after SY 2012 results in few fish contributing to the subpopulation there.

Year to year variation in the relationship between size at release and recruitment may be due to condition of fish prior to release. Cohort variation within SY and size class in Basin appears highest among pond reared fish (figure 18 and Appendix 3). Most if not all razorback suckers released in Basin and recorded as "pond reared" were released into Lake Mohave from a lakeside backwater. Therefore, differences in apparent recruitment based on cumulative remote PIT scanning data within a SY and size class are likely due to variations in recruitment between lakeside backwaters. Identification of particularly low or high recruitment from individual backwater cohorts in combination with information on condition of fish from those cohorts may provide additional clues to factors influencing post-stocking survival.

The first repatriations of razorback sucker to Lake Mohave were in 1992 when a few adults reared in the Yuma Cove backwater were transferred into the reservoir at Arizona Bay to augment a dwindling population of wild fish. The wild population now is gone and in the nearly 30 years since its inception the repatriation program has grown in size, scope, and complexity and a population of several thousand stocked fish now exists only because of its implementation. Moreover, although important questions remain, we now know many details of razorback sucker population dynamics and factors that influence post-stocking and long-term survival. The return on stocking can be high when fish are repatriated at appropriate size. The importance of the relationship between fish
size at stocking and post-stocking survival is well understood and cannot be overemphasized but logistical constraints to rearing large fish have proven difficult to overcome. Nonetheless the razorback sucker should benefit from future program enhancements informed by additional experience, data acquisition and population modelling, and implementation of novel strategies.

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Appendix 1. - Razorback sucker monitoring summary by capture month, year, PIT tag, history, and sex during monitoring events Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada. Data in order by Pit tag, and within Pit tag, by Capture date.

| Pit tag | Capture date | Capture location | Sex | TL | WT | Recap | Same trip | Hist | Rearing location | Year class |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 000B0DA8F7 | 15-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 710 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA910 | 12-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 602 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA925 | 15-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove (north of) | F | 690 |  | Y | N | R | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA92D | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 620 | 2700 | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA935 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 640 |  | Y | Y | R | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA935 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 640 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 000B0DA93D | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 651 | 3345 | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 003BA62D5A | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 670 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 003BA62D65 | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 360 |  | Y | N | R | Lake Mead Fish Hatchery | 2010 |
| 003BA62D97 | 19-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 342 |  | Y | N | R | Lake Mead Fish Hatchery | 2010 |
| 003BA63ECB | 02-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | M | 475 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2011 |
| 003BA7448C | 17-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 525 |  | Y | Y | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2011 |
| 003BA7448C | 17-Mar-15 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 525 |  | Y | Y | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2011 |
| 003BA744A2 | 17-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 522 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2011 |
| 003BA744A2 | 20-Mar-15 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 522 |  | Y | Y | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2011 |
| 003BCB88F9 | 13-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 630 | 2951 | Y | N | R | Dandy Cove | 2011 |
| 003BCC5C34 | 18-Mar-15 | Carp Cove | J | 390 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2012 |
| 003BCC66EA | 15-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | M | 530 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2013 |
| 003BE5B93B | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 543 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2014 |
| 003BEA19E8 | 15-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove (north of) | M | 525 |  | Y | N | R | Dandy Cove | 2014 |
| 003BF31E7E | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 419 | 726 | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2016 |
| 003BF31E8C | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 460 | 895 | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2016 |
| 003BF32067 | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 444 | 935 | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2016 |
| 003BF323EB | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | M | 419 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2016 |
| 003C06CAA5 | 12-Mar-18 | Carp Cove (inside) | M | 401 |  | Y | N | R | Lake Mead Fish Hatchery | 2015 |
| 003C06CCCA | 28-Nov-18 | Cottonwood Cove East (north point) | F | 561 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2014 |
| 1B7969D55B | 17-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (2nd point south of north point) | F | 660 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1B7969E303 | 15-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 701 | 3730 | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |

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| Pit tag | Capture date | Capture location | Sex | TL | WT | Recap | Same trip | Hist | Rearing location | Year class |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1B796B41D9 | 18-Mar-15 | Carp Cove | M | 579 |  | Y | N | R | North Chemehuevi Cove | 2008 |
| 1B796B4797 | 13-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 620 | 290 | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |
| 1B796B5742 | 18-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (north point) | F | 617 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |
| 1B796ED720 | 28-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 643 |  | Y | N | R | North Chemehuevi Cove | 2009 |
| 1B796ED90F | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 595 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1B796ED99D | 04-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 585 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2009 |
| 1B796EE3DB | 28-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (2nd point south of north point) | F | 643 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2009 |
| 1B796EE831 | 04-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 580 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2009 |
| 1B796EEC75 | 29-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 620 |  | Y | N | R | Dandy Cove | 2009 |
| 1B796EECA8 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 589 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1B796EEFF9 | 17-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 575 |  | Y | N | R | North Chemehuevi Cove | 2009 |
| 1B796EF477 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 585 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2009 |
| 1C2C3435B7 | 16-Mar-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | F | 626 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | $\begin{aligned} & 2002, \\ & 2003 \text { and } \\ & 2004 \\ & \hline \end{aligned}$ |
| 1C2C7F410E | 04-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | M | 577 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2C7F472D | 15-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove (first point south of) | F | 620 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2C7F72A3 | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 550 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2C7FE9B4 | 19-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 640 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2005 |
| 1C2C7FECE7 | 04-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 680 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2C840A18 | 04-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 645 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2007 |
| 1C2C84482D | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 676 | 3780 | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2C856E15 | 16-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | M | 610 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1C2C857464 | 20-Mar-15 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 645 |  | Y | N | R | Unknown |  |
| 1C2D067132 | 19-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 625 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2007 |
| 1C2D06BA6D | 29-Nov-17 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 628 |  | Y | N | R | Willow backwater | 2007 |
| 1C2D25D516 | 28-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 624 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2005 |
| 1C2D265EC1 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 595 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2005 |
| 1C2D267788 | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 634 |  | Y | N | R | North Chemehuevi Cove | 2008 |
| 1C2D269177 | 18-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 560 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2005 |

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| Pit tag | Capture date | Capture location | Sex | TL | WT | Recap | Same trip | Hist | Rearing location | Year class |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1C2D26933A | 15-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 650 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2008 |
| 1C2D60F707 | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 671 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2008 |
| 1C2D610A0A | 13-Mar-19 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 681 | 3691 | Y | Y | R | Achii Hanyo | 2008 |
| 1C2D6188C7 | 29-Nov-17 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 634 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2008 |
| 1C2D61A3F9 | 15-Mar-18 | Carp Cove (inside) | F | 627 |  | Y | N | R | Bubbling Ponds FH | 2005 |
| 1C2D635C66 | 15-Mar-18 | Carp Cove (inside) | F | 655 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2006 |
| 1C2D63A268 | 20-Mar-15 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 635 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2008 |
| 1C2D642F9E | 14-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 635 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2006 |
| 1C2D64311A | 14-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 614 | 2660 | Y | N | R | Overton Wildlife Management Area, Center Pond | 2008 |
| 1C2D69590E | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove (north of) | F | 645 |  | Y | N | R | Dandy Cove | 2006 |
| 1C2D697D4D | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 572 |  | Y | N | R | Overton Wildlife Management Area, Center Pond | 2008 |
| 1C2D698C52 | 16-Mar-18 | Cottonwood Cove East (north point) | F | 640 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2008 |
| 1C2D6C0076 | 16-Mar-16 | Carp Cove (inside) | F | 650 |  | Y | N | R | Unknown |  |
| 1C2D6C0D3F | 30-Nov-18 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 646 |  | N | N | U | Unknown |  |
| 1C2D6C6741 | 28-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (2nd point south of north point) | F | 634 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1C2D6C6905 | 19-Mar-15 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 641 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1C2D6CD55A | 02-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 640 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 1C2D6D1839 | 16-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | F | 606 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2008 |
| 1C2D8C1D62 | 14-Mar-16 | Carp Cove (inside) | F | 619 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2008 |
| 1C2D8C9FEB | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove (north of) | F | 627 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile | 2008 |
| 2037246223 | 14-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 660 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 2241216911 | 17-Mar-15 | Carp Cove | M | 625 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 257C60995F | 14-Mar-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | F | 665 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile |  |
| 257C60B28B | 16-Mar-16 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 665 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile |  |
| 257C61D63E | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 625 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove | 2005 |
| 36F2B263D5 | 14-Mar-18 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 548 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 36F2B263D6 | 15-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | F | 635 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 36F2B5A1F3 | 02-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 541 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |
| 36F2B5A66F | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 590 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |
| 36F2B5A67A | 20-Mar-15 | Carp Cove (north point) | M | 520 |  | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |

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| Pit tag | Capture date | Capture location | Sex | TL | WT | Recap | Same trip | Hist | Rearing location | Year class |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 36F2B5A67A | 14-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | M | 591 | 2441 | Y | N | R | Achii Hanyo | 2010 |
| 42403A6F62 | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 670 |  | Y | N | R | Boulder City Wetlands Park |  |
| 424108294D | 14-Mar-16 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | M | 554 |  | Y | N | R | Arizona Juvenile |  |
| 436478455A | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | M | 570 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH |  |
| 4645566F2C | 02-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | M | 580 |  | Y | N | W | Not applicable |  |
| 46466C1A49 | 20-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 620 |  | Y | N | R | Yuma Cove |  |
| 4646761253 | 17-Mar-15 | Waterwheel Cove | F | 675 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2001/2003 |
| 46486F1069 | 03-Dec-14 | Cottonwood Cove East (1st point south of north point) | F | 620 |  | Y | N | R | Dandy Cove |  |
| 4648701437 | 15-Mar-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (between north point and 1st) | F | 685 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH | 2003 |
| 5216245249 | 17-Mar-15 | Carp Cove | F | 574 |  | Y | N | R | Boulder City Wetlands Park |  |
| 5324140160 | 05-Dec-16 | Carp Cove | F | 646 |  | Y | N | R | Dexter NFH (SNARRC) |  |
| 532F2A1140 | 12-Mar-19 | Cottonwood Cove East | F | 670 | 3650 | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH |  |
| 5333403056 | 19-Mar-15 | Carp Cove (north point) | F | 642 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH |  |
| 5335245B2C | 28-Nov-17 | Cottonwood Cove East (100 m inside, north shore) | F | 624 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH |  |
| 53453C2E26 | 16-Mar-17 | Carp Cove | F | 645 |  | Y | N | R | Willow Beach NFH |  |
| 7F7A082D4E | 13-Mar-19 | Carp Cove | F | 741 | 4501 | Y | N | R | Boulder City Wetlands Park |  |

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Appendix 2. - Razorback sucker monitoring summary by capture month, year, PIT tag, history, and sex during monitoring events Oct 2014 through Sep 2019, Lake Mohave, Arizona and Nevada. Data are from 80 paired stocking-capture data per fish PIT tag. Data in order by Recap, and within Recap, data in order by Same trip capture and History.

| Pit tag | Release | Capture | Release | Capture | Growth/ month | Sex | Days at large | Months at large | Years at large | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { captures } \end{gathered}$ | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 36F2B5A66F | 06-Dec-12 | 03-Dec-14 | 430 | 590 | 5 | F | 727 | 24 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 36F2B5A1F3 | 06-Dec-12 | 02-Dec-14 | 430 | 541 | 4 | F | 726 | 24 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 257C61D63E | 19-May-10 | 03-Dec-14 | 470 | 625 | 5 | F | 1,659 | 55 | 5 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1C2D6CD55A | 12-Oct-11 | 02-Dec-14 | 445 | 640 | 6 | F | 1,147 | 38 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1C2C840A18 | 16-Mar-11 | 04-Dec-14 |  | 645 | ND | F | 1,359 | 45 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1B796EF477 | 06-May-13 | 03-Dec-14 | 455 | 585 | 4 | F | 576 | 19 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1B796EECA8 | 28-Oct-11 | 03-Dec-14 | 440 | 589 | 5 | F | 1,132 | 38 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1B796EE831 | 06-May-13 | 04-Dec-14 | 430 | 580 | 5 | F | 577 | 19 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 1B796ED99D | 06-May-13 | 04-Dec-14 | 420 | 585 | 6 | F | 577 | 19 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 003BA63ECB | 14-Jan-14 | 02-Dec-14 | 350 | 475 | 4 | M | 322 | 11 | 1 | 1 | First capture in 2014 |
| 5333403056 | 17-Jun-04 | 19-Mar-15 | 330 | 642 | 10 | F | 3,927 | 131 | 11 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 5216245249 | 13-Aug-99 | 17-Mar-15 | 360 | 574 | 7 | F | 5,695 | 190 | 16 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 4646761253 | 29-Mar-05 | 17-Mar-15 | 390 | 675 | 10 | F | 3,640 | 121 | 10 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 46466C1A49 | 26-Apr-06 | 20-Mar-15 | 490 | 620 | 4 | F | 3,250 | 108 | 9 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 436478455A | 14-Apr-04 | 20-Mar-15 | 355 | 570 | 7 | M | 3,992 | 133 | 11 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 42403A6F62 | 22-May-01 | 20-Mar-15 | 420 | 670 | 8 | F | 5,050 | 168 | 14 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 2241216911 | 23-Oct-96 | 17-Mar-15 | 306 | 625 | 11 | M | 6,719 | 224 | 18 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 1C2D269177 | 23-Oct-09 | 18-Mar-15 | 435 | 560 | 4 | F | 1,972 | 66 | 5 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 1C2D067132 | 11-May-11 | 19-Mar-15 | 465 | 625 | 5 | F | 1,408 | 47 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 1B796ED90F | 28-Oct-11 | 20-Mar-15 | 455 | 595 | 5 | F | 1,239 | 41 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 1B796B41D9 | 16-Oct-12 | 18-Mar-15 | 430 | 579 | 5 | M | 883 | 29 | 2 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 003BCC5C34 | 05-Jan-15 | 18-Mar-15 | 390 | 390 | 0 | $J$ | 72 | 2 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 003BA62D97 | 09-Mar-15 | 19-Mar-15 | 350 | 342 | <1 | M | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 003BA62D65 | 09-Mar-15 | 20-Mar-15 | 355 | 360 | <1 | M | 11 | 0 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2015 |
| 5324140160 | 25-Jul-02 | 05-Dec-16 | 285 | 646 | 12 | F | 5,247 | 175 | 14 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 36F2B263D6 | 22-Oct-12 | 15-Mar-16 | 520 | 635 | 4 | F | 1,240 | 41 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |

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| Pit tag | Release | Capture | Release | Capture | Growth/ month | Sex | Days at large | Months at large | Years at large | Number of captures | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 257C60B28B | 13-Jun-07 | 16-Mar-16 | 460 | 665 | 7 | F | 3,199 | 107 | 9 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1C2D8C1D62 | 16-May-12 | 14-Mar-16 | 489 | 619 | 4 | F | 1,398 | 47 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1C2D697D4D | 19-Feb-14 | 05-Dec-16 | 510 | 572 | 2 | F | 1,020 | 34 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1C2D60F707 | 03-Dec-09 | 05-Dec-16 | 445 | 671 | 8 | F | 2,559 | 85 | 7 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1C2D267788 | 05-Oct-11 | 05-Dec-16 | 475 | 634 | 5 | F | 1,888 | 63 | 5 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1C2C856E15 | 19-May-10 | 16-Mar-16 | 470 | 610 | 5 | M | 2,128 | 71 | 6 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 1B796B5742 | 08-Dec-11 | 18-Mar-16 | 410 | 617 | 7 | F | 1,562 | 52 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 003BE5B93B | 13-Jan-16 | 05-Dec-16 | 410 | 543 | 4 | F | 327 | 11 | 1 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 003BCC66EA | 21-Jan-15 | 15-Mar-16 | 355 | 530 | 6 | M | 419 | 14 | 1 | 1 | First capture in 2016 |
| 5335245B2C | 18-Jun-04 | 28-Nov-17 | 355 | 624 | 9 | F | 4,911 | 164 | 13 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 4648701437 | 25-Jan-06 | 15-Mar-17 | 410 | 685 | 9 | F | 4,067 | 136 | 11 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 257C60995F | 13-Jun-07 | 14-Mar-17 | 480 | 665 | 6 | F | 3,562 | 119 | 10 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1C2D6C6741 | 04-Nov-11 | 28-Nov-17 | 435 | 634 | 7 | F | 2,216 | 74 | 6 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1C2D6188C7 | 03-Dec-09 | 29-Nov-17 | 435 | 634 | 7 | F | 2,918 | 97 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1C2D25D516 | 23-Oct-09 | 28-Nov-17 | 470 | 624 | 5 | F | 2,958 | 99 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1C2D06BA6D | 11-May-11 | 29-Nov-17 | 405 | 628 | 7 | F | 2,394 | 80 | 7 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1C2C3435B7 | 20-Mar-09 | 16-Mar-17 | 490 | 626 | 4 | F | 2,918 | 97 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1B796EEC75 | 21-Oct-13 | 29-Nov-17 | 492 | 620 | 4 | F | 1,500 | 50 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 1B796EE3DB | 22-May-13 | 28-Nov-17 | 492 | 643 | 5 | F | 1,651 | 55 | 5 | 1 | First capture in 2017 |
| 36F2B263D5 | 23-Oct-12 | 14-Mar-18 | 500 | 548 | 2 | M | 1,968 | 66 | 5 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 2037246223 | 20-Nov-95 | 14-Mar-18 | 345 | 660 | 10 | F | 8,150 | 272 | 22 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 1C2D642F9E | 17-Dec-09 | 14-Mar-18 | 430 | 635 | 7 | F | 3,009 | 100 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 1C2D635C66 | 06-Jan-10 | 15-Mar-18 | 390 | 655 | 9 | F | 2,990 | 100 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 1C2D61A3F9 | 23-Oct-09 | 15-Mar-18 | 455 | 627 | 6 | F | 3,065 | 102 | 8 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 003C06CCCA | 09-May-18 | 28-Nov-18 | 458 | 561 | 3 | F | 203 | 7 | 1 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 003BEA19E8 | 02-May-17 | 15-Mar-18 | 434 | 525 | 3 | M | 317 | 11 | 1 | 1 | First capture in 2018 |
| 532F2A1140 | 17-Jun-04 | 12-Mar-19 | 340 | 670 | 11 | F | 5,381 | 179 | 15 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 1C2D64311A | 07-Nov-14 | 14-Mar-19 | 531 | 614 | 3 | F | 1,588 | 53 | 4 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |

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| Pit tag | Release | Capture | Release | Capture | Growth/ month | Sex | Days at large | Months at large | Years at large | $\begin{gathered} \text { Number } \\ \text { of } \\ \text { captures } \end{gathered}$ | Comments |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1B796B4797 | 08-Dec-11 | 13-Mar-19 | 400 | 620 | 7 | F | 2,652 | 88 | 7 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 1B7969E303 | 13-Oct-11 | 15-Mar-19 | 430 | 701 | 9 | F | 2,710 | 90 | 7 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 003BF323EB | 31-Jan-19 | 12-Mar-19 | 425 | 419 | <1 | M | 40 | 1 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 003BF32067 | 31-Jan-19 | 12-Mar-19 | 447 | 444 | <1 | F | 40 | 1 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 003BF31E8C | 31-Jan-19 | 12-Mar-19 | 446 | 460 | <1 | F | 40 | 1 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 003BF31E7E | 31-Jan-19 | 12-Mar-19 | 453 | 419 | 1 | F | 40 | 1 | 0 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 003BCB88F9 | 30-Sep-15 | 13-Mar-19 | 520 | 630 | 4 | F | 1,260 | 42 | 3 | 1 | First capture in 2019 |
| 424108294D | 02-Oct-02 | 14-Mar-16 | 265 | 554 | 10 | M | 4,912 | 164 | 13 | 2 | First capture in 2007, second capture in 2016 |
| 46486F1069 | 08-Jun-05 | 03-Dec-14 | 365 | 620 | 8 | F | 3,465 | 116 | 9 | 2 | First capture in 2009, second capture in 2014 |
| 1C2D265EC1 | 23-Oct-09 | 03-Dec-14 | 430 | 595 | 6 | F | 1,867 | 62 | 5 | 2 | First capture in 2010, second capture in 2014 |
| 1C2C7FE9B4 | 26-Mar-09 | 19-Mar-15 | 450 | 640 | 6 | F | 2,184 | 73 | 6 | 2 | First capture in 2012, second capture in 2015 |
| 1C2D698C52 | 03-Dec-09 | 16-Mar-18 | 425 | 640 | 7 | F | 3,025 | 101 | 8 | 2 | First capture in 2012, second capture in 2018 |
| 53453C2E26 | 18-Jun-04 | 16-Mar-17 | 350 | 645 | 10 | F | 4,654 | 155 | 13 | 2 | First capture in 2013, second capture in 2017 |
| 1C2D26933A | 23-Oct-09 | 15-Mar-18 | 425 | 650 | 8 | F | 3,065 | 102 | 8 | 2 | First capture in 2013, second capture in 2018 |
| 1C2D63A268 | 03-Dec-09 | 20-Mar-15 | 445 | 635 | 6 | F | 1,933 | 64 | 5 | 2 | First capture in 2014, second capture in 2015 |
| 1C2D8C9FEB | 16-May-12 | 20-Mar-15 | 473 | 627 | 5 | F | 1,038 | 35 | 3 | 2 | First and second captures in 2015 |
| 1B7969D55B | 13-Oct-11 | 17-Mar-16 | 450 | 660 | 7 | F | 1,617 | 54 | 4 | 2 | First capture in 2015, second capture in 2016 |
| 36F2B5A67A | 06-Dec-12 | 14-Mar-19 | 390 | 591 | 7 | M | 2,289 | 76 | 6 | 2 | First capture in 2015, second capture in 2019 |
| 36F2B5A67A | 06-Dec-12 | 20-Mar-15 | 390 | 520 | 4 | M | 834 | 28 | 2 | 2 | First capture in 2015, second capture in 2019 |
| 1C2D6C6905 | 12-Oct-11 | 19-Mar-15 | 450 | 641 | 6 | F | 1,254 | 42 | 3 | 2 | First capture in 2015, second capture in 2019 |
| 003C06CAA5 | 15-Dec-17 | 12-Mar-18 | 445 | 401 | <1 | M | 87 | 3 | 0 | 2 | First capture in 2018, second capture in 2019 |
| 1C2D69590E | 29-Sep-10 | 20-Mar-15 | 480 | 645 | 6 | F | 1,633 | 54 | 4 | 3 | First capture in 2011, second capture in 2012, third capture in 2015 |
| 1C2D6D1839 | 16-May-12 | 16-Mar-16 | 429 | 606 | 6 | F | 1,400 | 47 | 4 | 3 | First capture in 2012, second capture in 2013, third capture in 2016 |
| 1B796EEFF9 | 31-Oct-13 | 17-Mar-15 | 500 | 575 | 2 | F | 502 | 17 | 1 | 3 | First capture in 2015, second capture in 2018, third capture in 2019 |
| 7F7A082D4E | 23-Jul-97 | 13-Mar-19 | 280 | 741 | 15 | F | 7,903 | 263 | 22 | 4 | First capture in 2005, second capture in 2006, third capture in 2007, fourth capture in 2019 |
| 1B796ED720 | 31-Oct-13 | 28-Nov-17 | 510 | 643 | 4 | F | 1,489 | 50 | 4 | 5 | First, second and third captures in 2015, fourth and fifth captures in 2017 |

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Appendix 3. Contact data for release cohorts of razorback sucker released in River and Basin from SY 2008 through 2014. Release cohorts with less than 20 releases were removed from analysis and contact with a fish must have occurred two SY after release.

| Release Zone | Release SY | Release Month | Pond | TL bin (mm) | Releases | Contacts | Proportion |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basin | 2009 | 3 | Yes | 490 | 20 | 7 | 0.350 |
| River | 2008 | 4 | Yes | 500 | 20 | 6 | 0.300 |
| Basin | 2009 | 3 | Yes | 480 | 20 | 5 | 0.250 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 480 | 20 | 4 | 0.200 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 410 | 20 | 3 | 0.150 |
| Basin | 2013 | 5 | Yes | 400 | 20 | 2 | 0.100 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 330 | 20 | 1 | 0.050 |
| Basin | 2009 | 5 | Yes | 450 | 20 | 1 | 0.050 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 410 | 20 | 1 | 0.050 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 370 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 400 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 4 | No | 340 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 370 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 410 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 410 | 20 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 5 | Yes | 470 | 21 | 14 | 0.667 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 420 | 21 | 5 | 0.238 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 450 | 21 | 4 | 0.190 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 460 | 21 | 4 | 0.190 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 420 | 21 | 3 | 0.143 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 470 | 21 | 2 | 0.095 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 450 | 21 | 1 | 0.048 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 380 | 21 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 4 | No | 380 | 21 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 21 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 270 | 22 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 340 | 22 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 380 | 22 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 5 | Yes | 450 | 23 | 8 | 0.348 |
| Basin | 2010 | 9 | Yes | 460 | 23 | 7 | 0.304 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 440 | 23 | 3 | 0.130 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 440 | 23 | 3 | 0.130 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 440 | 23 | 3 | 0.130 |
| Basin | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 400 | 23 | 1 | 0.043 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 500 | 24 | 15 | 0.625 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 490 | 24 | 9 | 0.375 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 440 | 24 | 9 | 0.375 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 480 | 24 | 9 | 0.375 |
| Basin | 2014 | 10 | Yes | 490 | 24 | 9 | 0.375 |
| Basin | 2010 | 9 | Yes | 450 | 24 | 6 | 0.250 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 430 | 24 | 5 | 0.208 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 420 | 24 | 3 | 0.125 |
| Basin | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 390 | 24 | 1 | 0.042 |
| Basin | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 24 | 1 | 0.042 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 400 | 24 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 380 | 24 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 480 | 25 | 20 | 0.800 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 430 | 25 | 3 | 0.120 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 370 | 25 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 490 | 26 | 12 | 0.462 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 26 | 10 | 0.385 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 450 | 26 | 6 | 0.231 |
| Basin | 2014 | 5 | Yes | 440 | 26 | 6 | 0.231 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 430 | 26 | 5 | 0.192 |
| Basin | 2013 | 5 | Yes | 420 | 26 | 4 | 0.154 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 400 | 26 | 2 | 0.077 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 400 | 26 | 2 | 0.077 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 360 | 26 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 310 | 26 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 510 | 27 | 9 | 0.333 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 27 | 9 | 0.333 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 350 | 27 | 1 | 0.037 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 390 | 27 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 480 | 28 | 16 | 0.571 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 450 | 28 | 9 | 0.321 |
| Basin | 2013 | 5 | Yes | 440 | 28 | 6 | 0.214 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 480 | 28 | 3 | 0.107 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 340 | 28 | 2 | 0.071 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 430 | 28 | 1 | 0.036 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 390 | 28 | 1 | 0.036 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 390 | 28 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 4 | No | 330 | 28 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 360 | 28 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 370 | 28 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 29 | 7 | 0.241 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 470 | 30 | 14 | 0.467 |
| Basin | 2013 | 5 | Yes | 450 | 30 | 10 | 0.333 |
| Basin | 2013 | 5 | Yes | 430 | 30 | 9 | 0.300 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 460 | 30 | 2 | 0.067 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 470 | 31 | 10 | 0.323 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 380 | 31 | 1 | 0.032 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 350 | 31 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 440 | 32 | 8 | 0.250 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 430 | 32 | 7 | 0.219 |
| Basin | 2010 | 9 | Yes | 440 | 32 | 5 | 0.156 |
| Basin | 2009 | 9 | Yes | 450 | 32 | 4 | 0.125 |
| Basin | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 32 | 4 | 0.125 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 33 | 8 | 0.242 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 440 | 33 | 3 | 0.091 |
| River | 2013 | 4 | No | 320 | 33 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 280 | 33 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 9 | Yes | 430 | 34 | 4 | 0.118 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 310 | 34 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 390 | 34 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 410 | 34 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 4 | No | 310 | 34 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 390 | 34 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2009 | 3 | Yes | 470 | 35 | 12 | 0.343 |
| Basin | 2011 | 5 | Yes | 440 | 35 | 10 | 0.286 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 35 | 5 | 0.143 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 370 | 35 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 410 | 36 | 3 | 0.083 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 37 | 18 | 0.486 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 37 | 17 | 0.459 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 37 | 7 | 0.189 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 350 | 37 | 1 | 0.027 |
| Basin | 2014 | 5 | Yes | 400 | 37 | 1 | 0.027 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 380 | 38 | 5 | 0.132 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 38 | 1 | 0.026 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 350 | 38 | 1 | 0.026 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 480 | 40 | 21 | 0.525 |
| Basin | 2013 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 40 | 5 | 0.125 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 470 | 41 | 12 | 0.293 |
| Basin | 2012 | 5 | Yes | 400 | 41 | 4 | 0.098 |
| River | 2013 | 4 | No | 300 | 41 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 430 | 43 | 18 | 0.419 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 500 | 43 | 17 | 0.395 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 43 | 8 | 0.186 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 420 | 43 | 2 | 0.047 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 380 | 43 | 2 | 0.047 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 380 | 43 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 44 | 21 | 0.477 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 450 | 44 | 15 | 0.341 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 360 | 44 | 2 | 0.045 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 44 | 1 | 0.023 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 400 | 44 | 1 | 0.023 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 320 | 44 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | Yes | 390 | 45 | 4 | 0.089 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 46 | 9 | 0.196 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 320 | 46 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 10 | Yes | 480 | 47 | 15 | 0.319 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 470 | 47 | 4 | 0.085 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 370 | 47 | 1 | 0.021 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 410 | 47 | 1 | 0.021 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 400 | 47 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 470 | 48 | 23 | 0.479 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 48 | 16 | 0.333 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 290 | 48 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 470 | 49 | 26 | 0.531 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 490 | 49 | 23 | 0.469 |
| Basin | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 49 | 22 | 0.449 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 350 | 49 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 360 | 50 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 380 | 50 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 430 | 51 | 11 | 0.216 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 410 | 51 | 5 | 0.098 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 430 | 51 | 2 | 0.039 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 440 | 52 | 17 | 0.327 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 430 | 53 | 11 | 0.208 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 400 | 54 | 5 | 0.093 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 300 | 54 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 410 | 54 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 440 | 55 | 23 | 0.418 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 350 | 55 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 410 | 56 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 320 | 57 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2009 | 3 | Yes | 450 | 59 | 20 | 0.339 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 320 | 59 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 59 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 450 | 60 | 17 | 0.283 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 410 | 60 | 6 | 0.100 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 60 | 3 | 0.050 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 330 | 60 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 430 | 61 | 14 | 0.230 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 390 | 62 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2009 | 3 | Yes | 460 | 64 | 21 | 0.328 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 65 | 8 | 0.123 |


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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 400 | 65 | 3 | 0.046 |
| River | 2012 | 3 | No | 340 | 65 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 360 | 66 | 4 | 0.061 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 400 | 66 | 3 | 0.045 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 370 | 69 | 1 | 0.014 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 72 | 1 | 0.014 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 370 | 72 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | Yes | 460 | 73 | 29 | 0.397 |
| River | 2012 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 73 | 14 | 0.192 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 73 | 5 | 0.068 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 390 | 73 | 3 | 0.041 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 430 | 74 | 21 | 0.284 |
| Basin | 2014 | 5 | Yes | 430 | 74 | 11 | 0.149 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 330 | 74 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 370 | 77 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 380 | 78 | 1 | 0.013 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 400 | 79 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 360 | 83 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 340 | 83 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2009 | 10 | Yes | 430 | 85 | 3 | 0.035 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 400 | 89 | 12 | 0.135 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 350 | 89 | 1 | 0.011 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 480 | 91 | 31 | 0.341 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 91 | 26 | 0.286 |
| Basin | 2014 | 5 | Yes | 420 | 93 | 10 | 0.108 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 330 | 94 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 380 | 97 | 3 | 0.031 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 470 | 102 | 55 | 0.539 |
| Basin | 2014 | 5 | Yes | 410 | 105 | 15 | 0.143 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 420 | 105 | 9 | 0.086 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 360 | 105 | 1 | 0.010 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 360 | 106 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 370 | 106 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 340 | 111 | 1 | 0.009 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 330 | 111 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 370 | 115 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 370 | 116 | 1 | 0.009 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 470 | 117 | 41 | 0.350 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 370 | 117 | 2 | 0.017 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 390 | 118 | 12 | 0.102 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 380 | 120 | 5 | 0.042 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 300 | 120 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 350 | 121 | 2 | 0.017 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 410 | 123 | 6 | 0.049 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 300 | 123 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 320 | 129 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 300 | 131 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 300 | 133 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 340 | 136 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 460 | 138 | 60 | 0.435 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 350 | 138 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 340 | 138 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2012 | 1 | No | 310 | 143 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 350 | 144 | 4 | 0.028 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 360 | 144 | 2 | 0.014 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 370 | 145 | 3 | 0.021 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 360 | 147 | 2 | 0.014 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 360 | 149 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 360 | 151 | 4 | 0.026 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 380 | 151 | 1 | 0.007 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 390 | 159 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 370 | 161 | 2 | 0.012 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 380 | 162 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 410 | 165 | 51 | 0.309 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 360 | 165 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 300 | 167 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 380 | 169 | 5 | 0.030 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 310 | 172 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 390 | 176 | 1 | 0.006 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 370 | 178 | 5 | 0.028 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 350 | 181 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 460 | 182 | 67 | 0.368 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 400 | 184 | 8 | 0.043 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 370 | 184 | 7 | 0.038 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 350 | 184 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 350 | 188 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 340 | 190 | 1 | 0.005 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 360 | 191 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 350 | 191 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 360 | 193 | 4 | 0.021 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 450 | 194 | 80 | 0.412 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 400 | 194 | 7 | 0.036 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 370 | 198 | 4 | 0.020 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 400 | 203 | 64 | 0.315 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 360 | 203 | 7 | 0.034 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 350 | 205 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 440 | 210 | 77 | 0.367 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 340 | 212 | 1 | 0.005 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 430 | 214 | 63 | 0.294 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 370 | 214 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 330 | 215 | 2 | 0.009 |
| River | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 360 | 219 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 390 | 223 | 10 | 0.045 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 340 | 223 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 340 | 237 | 1 | 0.004 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 310 | 244 | 1 | 0.004 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 300 | 245 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 340 | 251 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 410 | 252 | 21 | 0.083 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 360 | 252 | 4 | 0.016 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 320 | 252 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 300 | 254 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 310 | 256 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 420 | 257 | 35 | 0.136 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 360 | 259 | 8 | 0.031 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 380 | 260 | 20 | 0.077 |
| River | 2012 | 12 | Yes | 390 | 262 | 49 | 0.187 |
| Basin | 2013 | 12 | Yes | 380 | 262 | 14 | 0.053 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 330 | 262 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 330 | 263 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 1 | No | 320 | 265 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 300 | 273 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 300 | 275 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 320 | 275 | 0 | 0.000 |

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| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 450 | 277 | 95 | 0.343 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 340 | 278 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 330 | 279 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 310 | 285 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2011 | 1 | No | 330 | 285 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 350 | 288 | 4 | 0.014 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 330 | 288 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 310 | 298 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2012 | 1 | No | 320 | 299 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 350 | 303 | 3 | 0.010 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 320 | 304 | 1 | 0.003 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 320 | 317 | 3 | 0.009 |
| River | 2013 | 2 | No | 310 | 317 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 300 | 325 | 1 | 0.003 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 390 | 329 | 19 | 0.058 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 330 | 339 | 2 | 0.006 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 330 | 348 | 3 | 0.009 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 330 | 359 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2010 | 1 | No | 340 | 360 | 6 | 0.017 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 350 | 364 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 440 | 371 | 106 | 0.286 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 350 | 378 | 10 | 0.026 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 340 | 378 | 3 | 0.008 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 300 | 379 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2011 | 12 | No | 310 | 395 | 1 | 0.003 |
| River | 2010 | 12 | No | 340 | 418 | 2 | 0.005 |
| Basin | 2010 | 12 | No | 320 | 424 | 2 | 0.005 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 430 | 448 | 115 | 0.257 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 320 | 458 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 340 | 460 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 350 | 472 | 4 | 0.008 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 330 | 472 | 1 | 0.002 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 310 | 484 | 0 | 0.000 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 310 | 509 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2013 | 1 | No | 300 | 510 | 1 | 0.002 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 310 | 520 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 330 | 522 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 420 | 528 | 102 | 0.193 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 310 | 530 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2014 | 1 | No | 320 | 551 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 410 | 553 | 60 | 0.108 |
| Basin | 2013 | 1 | No | 320 | 555 | 3 | 0.005 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 340 | 639 | 3 | 0.005 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 330 | 666 | 5 | 0.008 |
| Basin | 2014 | 1 | No | 320 | 694 | 0 | 0.000 |
| River | 2010 | 10 | Yes | 400 | 1380 | 113 | 0.082 |


[^0]:    ${ }^{1}$ March data include the entire month of March although March monitoring occurs during a single week

[^1]:    ${ }^{2}$ Total releases are based on records of release in the Lower Colorado River Native Fish Database. These numbers may be lower than actual numbers released due to errors in data collection and data entry.

