

Identifying Redds

Redds are usually located in the lower one-third of pools. Steelhead utilize them from February through May each year. In June, the young fish, or fry, emerge from the redd. It is important to avoid disturbing these redds during the months of February through June. Disturbances include walking in, driving through, or allowing sediment to cover the redd. Activities such as driving and walking through a redd will crush and kill the eggs.

Things You Can Do

Avoid these activities at the lower one-third of a pool:

- * walking or driving through these areas
- * locating livestock crossings or vehicle crossings
- * locating irrigation pumps/pipes

Other activities:

Avoid any activities which leave the soil surface bare or exposed near a stream or drainageway from February through June each year. This may lead to erosion of soil into the stream. Examples include tillage practices for spring seeding.



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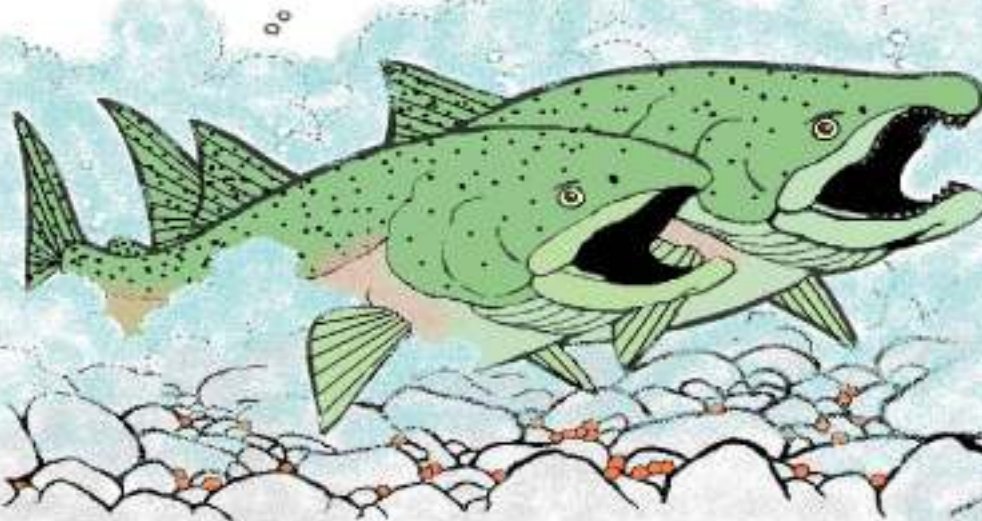
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What is a Redd?