



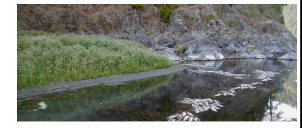
## **Attention:** **Community Members of the Klamath Basin**

**Please report occurrences of numerous dead or sick fish in the Klamath River and its tributaries!!!**

Large fish kill events occurred in the Klamath River during the summer months of 2000 (juvenile salmon), and 2002 (adult salmon). State, federal, private, and Tribal organizations have assembled a Klamath Fish Health Assessment Team (KFHAT) to assess and monitor river conditions and fish health in the Klamath Basin. KFHAT members have been trained to respond to fish kill events.

We would greatly appreciate local citizens, organizations, and agencies notifying us if you believe you may be witnessing a fish kill event. Fish kills typically occur in short periods of time and can result in high numbers of sick and dead fish. Fish kills can occur from a variety of causes, including disease and toxic chemicals. Quick response by trained people is important. **Individuals are cautioned not to attempt to examine fish or put themselves in harm's way during a fish kill event.**

Sick fish generally congregate at creek mouths and other coldwater refugia areas during stressful periods. Dead fish generally accumulate in eddy and backwater areas.



**Call KFHAT. We will investigate the fish kill.**

**Please report any observations of large numbers of dead or dying fish to the Office of Emergency Services (OES) Warning Center at the tollfree number below, and OES will contact KFHAT.**

**1-800-852-7550**