



Genetic Comparisons Between Spawning Adult Steelhead, Juvenile Migrants, and Mature Resident *O. mykiss* From Teanaway River and Taneum Creek

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Project overview

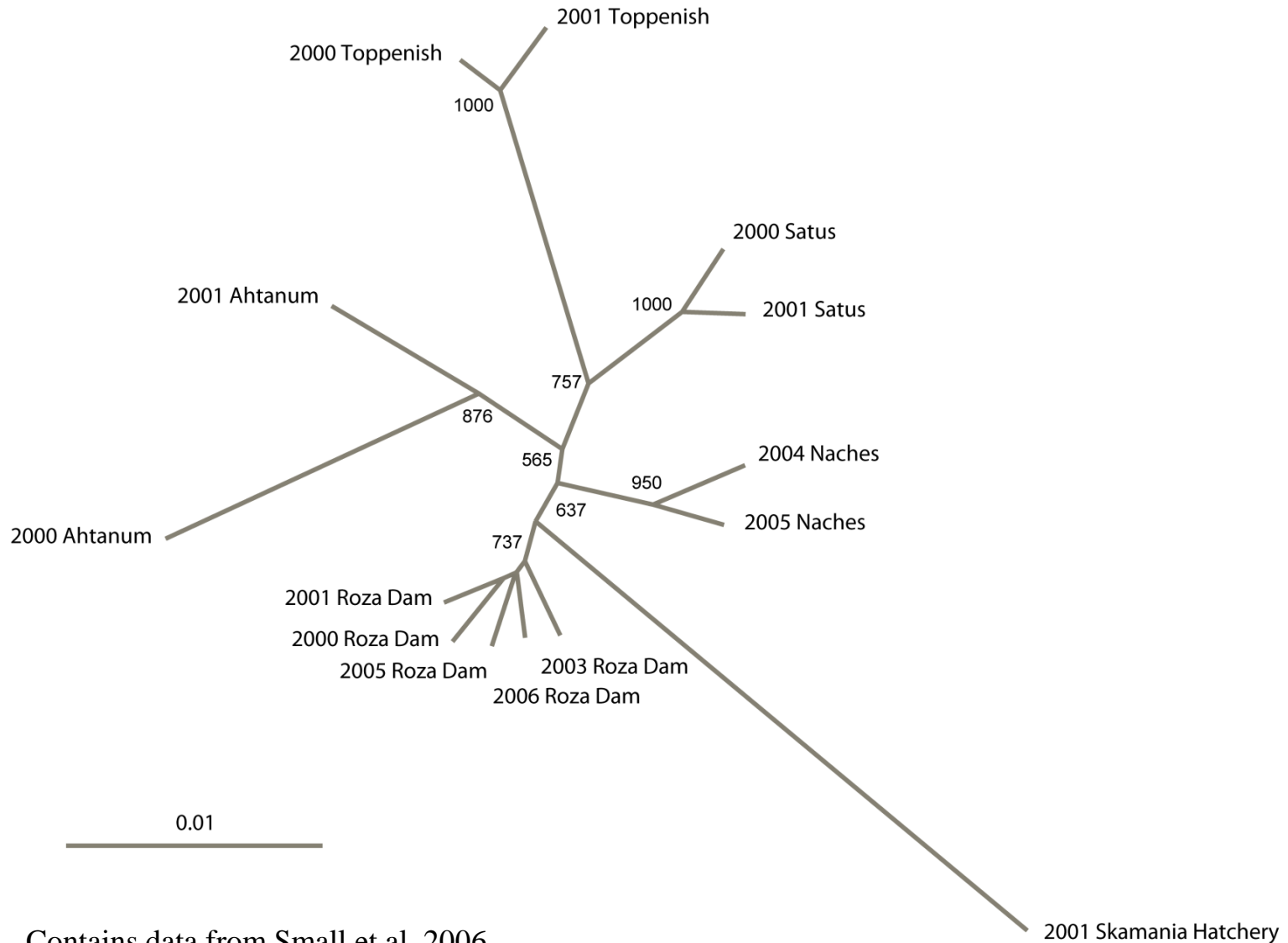
- Characterize the genetic diversity within upper Yakima River *O. mykiss*
 - Anadromous adult steelhead spawners
 - Juvenile migrant
 - Mature residents
- Investigate the genetic affinities between the different life history types
 - Anadromous vs. non-anadromous forms

Previous genetic studies

- Genetic data defines five steelhead populations in Yakima Basin
 - Satus Creek
 - Toppenish Creek
 - Ahtanum Creek
 - Naches River
 - Upper Yakima River

Limited interaction between hatchery and natural steelhead

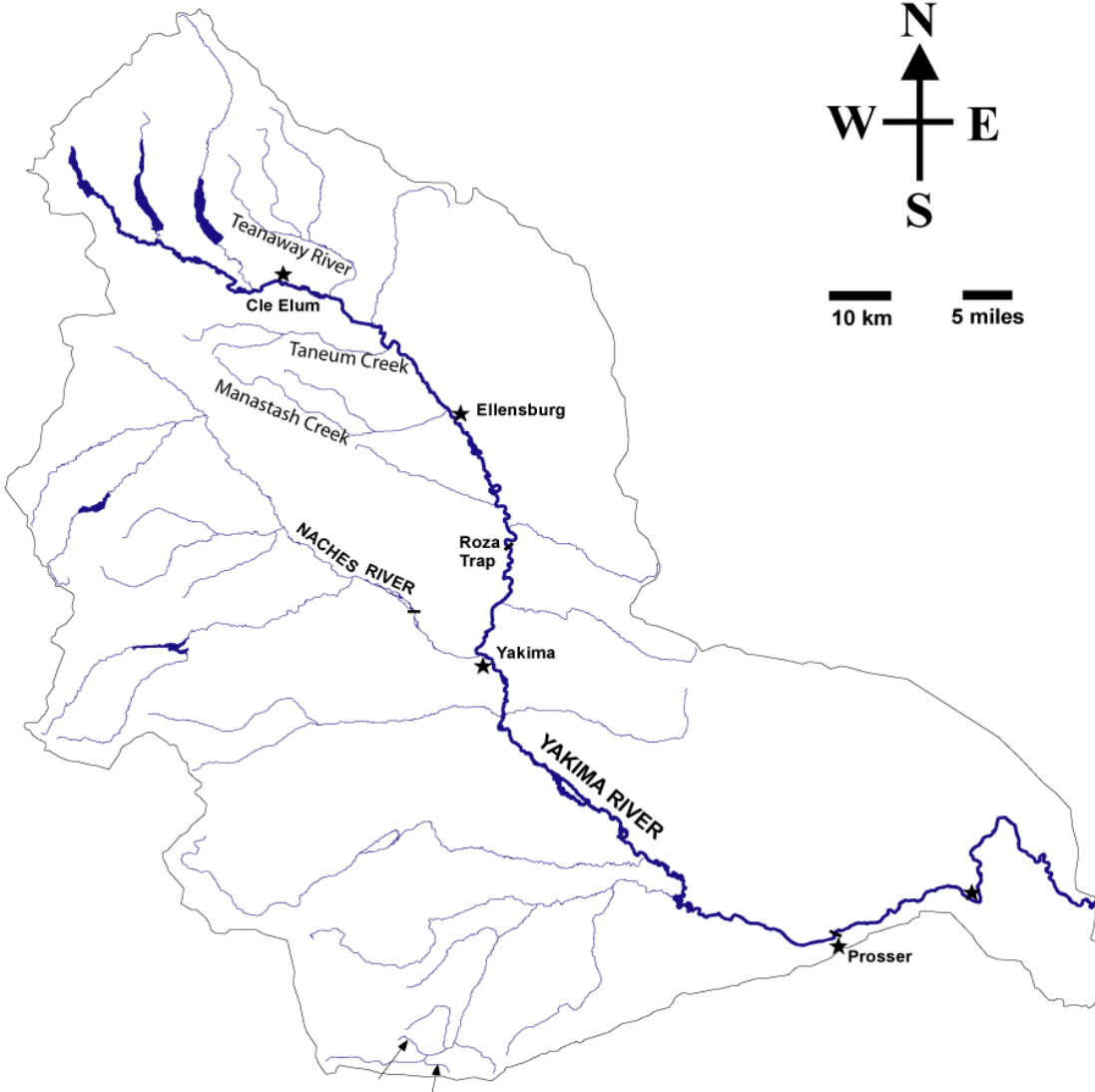
Interaction unlikely between hatchery *O. mykiss* and natural steelhead



Contains data from Small et al. 2006

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[map made from huc maps 17030003, 17030002, and 17030001 from StreamNet]

- Adult steelhead spawners (2002, 2003, 2005, 2006)

Teanaway = 130

Taneum = 16

- Juveniles migrants (2006)

Teanaway = 23

- Mature residents (2006, 2007)

Teanaway = 121

Taneum = 39

Manastash = 8

● Genetic markers

- ▶ SPAN standardized microsatellite suite (15 loci)
- ▶ Microsatellites are short amplified fragments that vary for the number of DNA nucleotides they contain.

● Genetic analyses

- ▶ Basic statistics – Allelic diversity, Hardy-Weinberg, LD
- ▶ Factorial Correspondence Analysis (FCA)
- ▶ Genic Differentiation
- ▶ F_{ST}

Anadromous steelhead adults

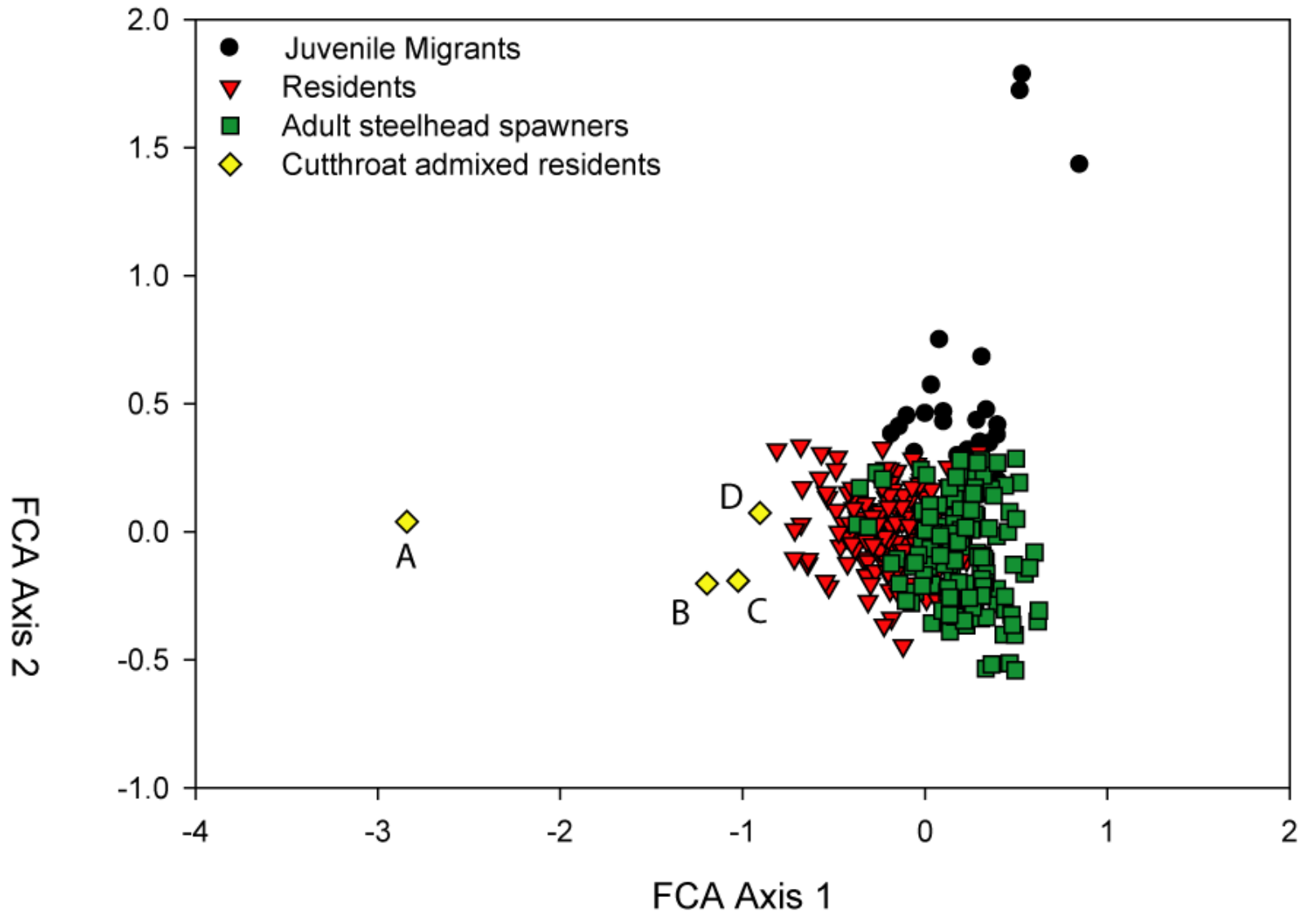
- Collection combining all steelhead samples:
 - ▶ Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium observed
 - ▶ Minimal LD observed
- Conclusion: Collections of adult steelhead adult spawners represent samples from the same underlying population

Juvenile migrants

- Collection of juvenile migrants:
 - ▶ Hardy-Weinberg equilibrium observed
 - ▶ Minimal LD observed
- Conclusion: Collection of juvenile migrants represents a sample from a single population

Mature residents

- Combined collection of mature residents:
 - ▶ Substantial LD
- Separated residents from Teanaway, Taneum, and Manastash
 - ▶ Linkage remained in Teanaway collection
- FCA of Teanaway collection revealed cutthroat admixture



Mature residents

- Comparing residents from Teanaway, Taneum, and Manastash
 - ▶ All genetically differentiated based on allele frequency comparisons
 - ▶ F_{ST} statistically different from zero
 - ▶ Perhaps genetic relationships are inconsistent with geography
 - ▶ Limited sampling precludes robust comparisons among residents

- Known Anadromous Spawners vs. Juvenile Migrants
 - ▶ Not differentiated based on allele frequency comparisons
 - ▶ $F_{ST} = 0.003$ and not significantly different from zero.
- Conclusion: Spawner and migrant collections represent a single population.

Steelhead vs. Mature Resident *O. mykiss*

- Allele frequencies statistically different
- F_{ST} estimates statistically different than zero

Pairwise estimates of F_{ST}	
Residents	Spawners
Teanaway	0.005
Taneum	0.013
Manastash	0.026

Steelhead vs. Mature Resident *O. mykiss*

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- F_{ST} estimates statistically different than zero
- Conclusions:
 - ▶ Steelhead and resident collections are genetically differentiated.
 - ▶ Residents and steelhead from the Teanaway River interact substantially.

Conclusions

- Collections of adult steelhead spawners represent samples from the same underlying population.
- Collection of juvenile migrants represents a sample from a single population (No evidence of mixture)
- Residents from Teanaway, Taneum, and Manastash are all genetically differentiated. (Cutthroat admixture observed)
- Spawner and migrant collections represent a single population.
- Anadromous and resident *O. mykiss* are genetically differentiated.
- Residents and steelhead from the Teanaway River interact substantially.

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