

### 5.4.6 Summary

Damages estimates presented in this section are summarized in Table 5.6. The estimates from scaling past damages calculations based on unit cost per volume of oil spilled do not account for specific natural resource injuries that may occur; instead, they are based on damages that occurred in similar habitats or on similar scales as the effective WCD spill.

**Table 5.6. Summary of damages estimates for the effective WCD spill in the LCR**

| Method   | Damages estimate                                    |
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| Range-finding based on past major spills (\$/bbl) <sup>a</sup>                                   | \$48 million to \$122 million                       |
| Range-finding based on past incidents in the Columbia River (\$/gallon) <sup>a</sup>             | \$24.4 million                                      |
| Cost to restore injured river habitat + cost to restore injured floodplain wetland habitat (HEA) | \$54.5 million + \$30.4 million<br>= \$84.9 million |

a. Settlements from other spills in other locations are generally not scalable, but they can be used to suggest a potential range of damages.

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