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DRAFT AGENDA PSC Fraser River Panel Meeting

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| FRP | me | eting: Friday, August 9, 2024 at 11:00 am | | |
|----------|-----|---|-----------|-----------------|
| | 1) | Roll Call (Panel and Tech members, others please email Angela Xu, | 5 min | |
| | • | frontdesk@psc.org) | | |
| | 2) | Webinar Etiquette: mute phone & chat feature | 2 min | |
| V | 3) | Agenda | 5 min | |
| | 4) | Overview of run and catch status | 5 min | PSC staff |
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| ✓ | | a) Accounted run to date relative to forecast and adopted run sizesb) Catch-to-date by fishery | | |
| | | c) TAC table | | |
| | 5) | Biological information | 20 min | PSC staff |
| V | ٠, | a) Test fishing catches and acoustics summary | 20 111111 | i Se staii |
| <u>.</u> | | b) Comparison of predictions from Mission to Qualark | | |
| | | c) Species composition review | | |
| _ ✓ | | d) Stock Identification review | | |
| | | e) Management Adjustment (MA) considerations | | |
| √ | | i) Environmental report & current temperatures in areas of Fraser Watershed | | |
| √ | | ii) pDBE forecast and sensitivity analysis | | |
| | | iii) Discharge and migration passage at Big Bar | | |
| √ | | iv) Report on fish condition | | DFO |
| √ | | v) Spawning ground reports | | DFO |
| | 6) | Assessment information | 20 min | PSC staff |
| √ | | a) Daily migration graphs | | |
| | | b) Predicted abundance en route to Mission | | |
| | | c) Diversion rate | | |
| | | d) Technical assessment information | | |
| √ | | e) Run size and timing estimates | | |
| | | f) Predicted allowable harvest based on run size and DBE scenarios | | |
| | | g) Criteria for fishing decisions table | | |
| | | h) Catch evaluation | | |
| _ | 7) | Recommendations on run size, migration timing and MA | 10 min | |
| ✓ | | a) PSC recommendations | | PSC staff |
| | | b) Canadian and/or U.S. recommendations | | Panel |
| | | c) Panel decision | | |
| | 8) | Fisheries recommendations | | |
| | | a) Canadian and U.S. proposals | | Panel |
| | | b) Staff evaluation | | PSC staff |
| | | c) Canadian and U.S. evaluation | | Panel |
| | 0) | d) Panel decision | Гi.я | DCC ataff |
| | • | Assessments from other areas | 5 min | PSC staff |
| √ | 10) | Other business | 10 min | Panel |
| | | a) Weekly Report | | |
| | 111 | b) Other? | 2 main | DCC staff/Dans! |
| ✓ | - | Next FRP meeting and agenda | 2 min | PSC staff/Panel |
| | 12) | Next TC meeting | | PSC staff |

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☐ Not included in the distribution due to not relevant for this meeting or no (new) information

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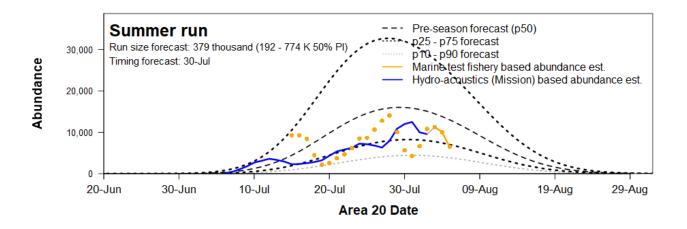
4a. Accounted run to date relative to forecast and adopted runsizes

2024 Run status of Fraser sockeye and pink salmon

The information presented in this distribution has been prepared by PSC Secretariat staff and should be considered preliminary until reviewed by the Fraser River Panel

| Week of: Aug. 4 - Aug. 10, 2024 | Sockeye | | | | | | |
|--|----------|----------|---------------|---------------|---------|--|--|
| | | Managemo | ent Group | | Total | | |
| | E.Stuart | E.Summer | Summer | Late | Fraser | | |
| Mission passage (inclds Pitt, Alouette, Coquitlam) | 200 | 131,300 | 141,700 | 3,000 | 276,200 | | |
| Catch downstream of Mission | 0 | 1,300 | 2,600 | 100 | 4,000 | | |
| Accounted Run To Date | 200 | 132,600 | 144,300 | 3,100 | 280,200 | | |
| Run size adopted in-season ¹ | na | 136,000 | na | na | na | | |
| Run size forecasted pre-season | 180 | 159,000 | 379,000 | 29,000 | 567,000 | | |
| Area 20 timing adopted in-season | na | 13-Jul | na | na | na | | |
| Area 20 timing expected pre-season | 7-Jul | 19-Jul | 30-Jul | 7-Aug | 28-Jul | | |
| Johnstone Str. Diversion Rate | | | Annual ave | erage to date | 42% | | |
| | | Preseaso | n forecast of | annual rate: | 33% | | |

¹ Run sizes are usually not adopted until after the peak of the run has passed through marine test fishery areas in Juan de Fuca and Johnstone straits.



2024 Catch-to-date by fishery

| 2024 Catch-to | o-date by fishery | Date: A | ug. 9, 2024 |
|---------------|--|---------|-------------|
| Week of: Aug. | 4 - Aug. 10, 2024 | Sock | eye |
| | | Total | Fraser |
| Canada | | 855 | 851 |
| Comme | ercial | 0 | 0 |
| | B Purse Seine | 0 | 0 |
| | H Troll | 0 | 0 |
| First Na | ations | 0 | 0 |
| | Food, Social & Ceremonial (FSC) | 0 | 0 |
| | Marine | 0 | 0 |
| | Fraser R. | 0 | 0 |
| | Economic Opportunity (EO) & Demonstration (Demo) | 0 | 0 |
| Escape | ment Surplus to Spawning Requirements (ESSR) | 0 | 0 |
| Recreat | tional | 0 | 0 |
| Charter | r (Albion & A12 Chum test fishery) | 122 | 122 |
| Other* | *** | 733 | 730 |
| nited States | | 0 | 0 |
| Comme | ercial | 0 | 0 |
| | Treaty Tribes (TRB) | 0 | 0 |
| | All Citizen (AC) | 0 | 0 |
| _ | Tribes Ceremonial & Subsistence (C&S) | 0 | 0 |
| | zen Recreational | 0 | 0 |
| Other* | | 0 | 0 |
| Alaska | | na | na |
| | Test Fisheries | 4,554 | 4,346 |
| Panel V | • | 2,545 | 2,494 |
| | Canada | 2,545 | 2,494 |
| | U.S. | 0 | 0 |
| | inel Waters** | 2,009 | 1,852 |
| otal | | 5,409 | 5,197 |
| | eaward of Mission *** | 4,205 | 3,993 |
| Catch U | pstream of Mission | 1,204 | 1,204 |

^{*} Alaska data are processed post-season and so are unavailable in-season.

^{**} Includes Qualark

^{***} All catches in marine areas and in the Fraser River downstream of Mission.

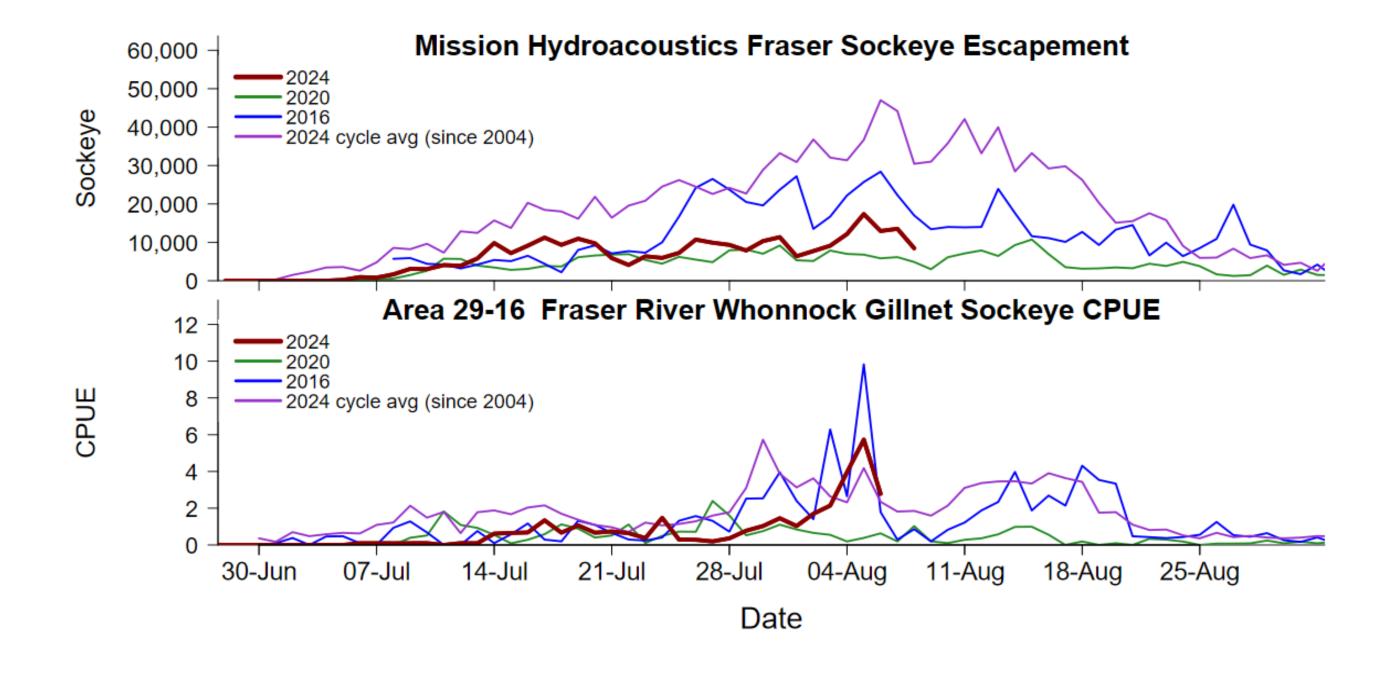
^{****} May include unauthorized directed retention or unauthorized bycatch retention in fisheries directed at other species

5a Fraser Sockeye Test Fishing & Escapement Summary

| | | | Fraser River | | | | | | | |
|-----------------------------------|--|------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|---|---------------------|---|--|--|--|
| Area/Gear Location From A20 | A29-17 GN Brownsville Bar (+5 days) | A29-16 GN Whonnock (+6 days) | Whon CPUE Estimate (+6 days) | GN Catch (+8 days) | Qualark Estimate ¹ | Method ² | Mission Estimate ³ (+6 days) | Hydroacoustics Method ⁴ | Hells Gate Estimates ⁵ (+10 days) | |
| 18-Jul | 37 | 8 | 0.67 | 17 | 11,609 | RB + LB | 9,300 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 2,990 | |
| 19-Jul | 18 | 12 | 1.06 | 24 | 14,049 | RB + LB | 10,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 3,650 | |
| 20-Jul | 27 | 7 | 0.67 | 33 | 14,020 | RB + LB | 9,700 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 21-Jul | 19 | 8 | 0.73 | 45 | 14,545 | RB + LB | 5,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 22-Jul | 9 | 7 | 0.64 | 35 | 11,908 | RB + LB | 4,100 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 3,370 | |
| 23-Jul | 15 | 4 | 0.37 | 19 | 7,413 | RB + LB | 6,400 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 7,090 | |
| 24-Jul | 43 | 17 | 1.47 | 25 | 5,631 | RB + LB | 5,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 25-Jul | 44 | 3 | 0.29 | 23 | 5,669 | RB + LB | 7,200 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 26-Jul | 16 | 3 | 0.28 | 17 | 6,113 | RB + LB | 10,700 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 2,940 | |
| 27-Jul | 57 | 2 | 0.19 | 10 | 5,239 | RB + LB | 9,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 1,770 | |
| 28-Jul | 38 | 4 | 0.36 | 30 | 10,035 | RB + LB | 9,300 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 660 | |
| 29-Jul | 99 | 8 | 0.77 | 47 | 15,995 | RB + LB | 7,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 1,340 | |
| 30-Jul | 64 | 11 | 1.03 | 37 | 14,709 | RB + LB | 10,300 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 31-Jul | 0 | 16 | 1.45 | 24 | 10,011 | RB + LB | 11,300 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 6,110 | |
| 1-Aug | 14 | 11 | 1.03 | 28 | 14,735 | RB x 2 | 6,400 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 2-Aug | 33 | 19 | 1.70 | 27 | 20,666 | RB x 2 | 7,700 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 3,520 | |
| 3-Aug | 29 | 25 | 2.14 | 28 | 14,627 | RB x 2 | 9,100 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 560 | |
| 4-Aug | 76 | 49 | 3.95 | 34 | 11,558 | RB x 2 | 12,100 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 5-Aug | 42 | 73 | 5.73 | 12 (3 sets) | 9,762 | RB x 2 | 17,300 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 6-Aug | 35 | 34 | 2.78 | DNF | NA | NA | 12,900 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | No Count | |
| 7-Aug | 18 | DNF | NA | 0 | 125 | RB x 2 | 13,500 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 0 | |
| 8-Aug | 3 | 46 | 3.49 | | | | 8,500 | A1+S1+M2+A2 | 0 | |
| 9-Aug | | 10 | 5.15 | | | | 3,300 | / (I · OI · IVIZ · / \Z | J | |

¹ Qualark escapement estimate - does not include Chilliwack, Pitt, Harrison, Birkenhead, Big Silver, Weaver, and Cultus.

⁵ Daily Hells Gate abundance estimate; actual daily count has been expanded.



² Qualark source: RB + LB = Right-bank and Left-bank $RB \times 2 = Right$ -bank $(RB) \times 2$

³ Mission escapement estimate - does not include Pitt

⁴ Mission source: A1 + S1 + M2 + A2 = Left-bank ARIS (A1) + Left-bank split-beam (S1) + Mobile ARIS (M2) + Right bank ARIS (A2)

5aii. Mission Hydroacoustics Estimates

Environmental conditions observed at Mission August 5 - 8

- Mobile and right-bank ARIS systems were halted the evening of August 5th in anticipation of debris arrival overnight.
 - However, no change in environmental conditions was observed until the evening of August 6
- Effects of the slide arrived in 3 main stages:
 - o Overnight Aug 6 morning Aug 7 Increased water levels and minor debris.
 - o *Midday/overnight Aug 7* Large debris.
 - Evening/overnight Aug 7 Significant sediment load reducing Secchi reading from 35cm to 5cm.
 - o Aug 7 Aug 8 gradual improvement on systems (Secchi currently 15cm)
- Due to the environmental challenges, not all systems were operational and the missing data was imputed for the daily estimates.

Missing data due to landslide and imputation^{1,2}

| Mission | Hours | Imputed l | by Sonar S | Total Salmon Estimates (% | | |
|---------|-------|-----------|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| Date | A1 | S1 | M2 | A2 | imputed) | |
| Aug 5 | N/A | N/A | 10 | 10 | 30,616 (5%) | |
| Aug 6 | N/A | N/A | N/A | 9 | 22,083 (5%) | |
| Aug 7 | N/A | 12 | 12 | 24 | 24,472 (40%) | |
| Aug 8 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12 | 12,806 (41%) ³ | |

¹A1 = left-bank ARIS; S1 = left-bank split-beam; M2 = mobile ARIS; A2 = right-bank ARIS

Changes in migration behaviour

- As of 4pm on August 7th no changes in fish behaviour were observed at Mission based on metrics of:
 - Downstream ratios
 - Upstream/downstream swim speed
 - o Proportions coming from each sonar system (e.g., cross river distribution)
- Data from August 7th, 4pm to Aug 8 mid day, is limited to 10m on the left-bank split-beam. However, fish targets that were observed have been following normal patterns of fish behaviour.
- As of August 8th, there has been a small increase in downstream ratio on A1 and A2 but data limited due to poor sonar visibility. Some milling observed during low tide, common occurrence at Mission.

² Reference for imputation: <u>Bzonek and Hornsby</u>, 2022

³Preliminary estimate to be reviewed

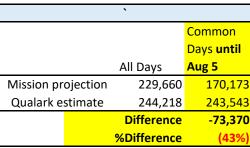
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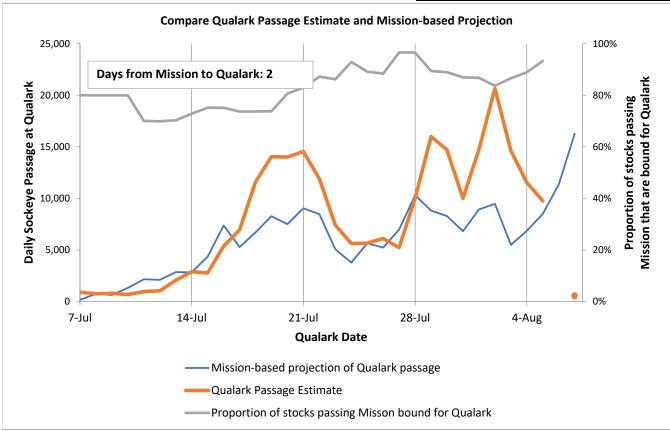
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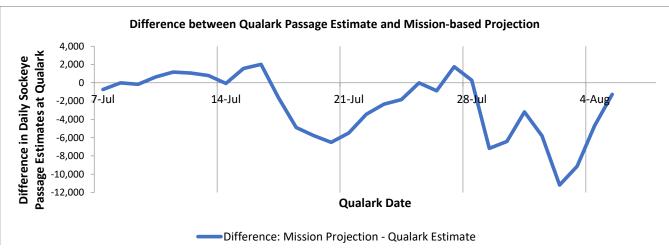
5b. Comparison of predictions from Mission to Qualark

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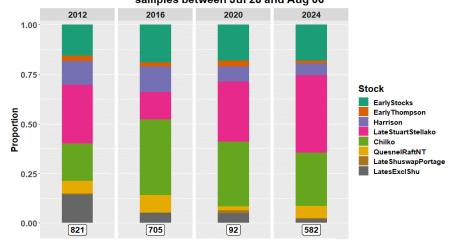


5d. Fraser River Sockeye Salmon Stock identification Review

Recent stock composition estimates for sockeye salmon

| Recent stock | • | | | | | | | | | Fras | er-only St | tock Pro | portions | by Repo | rting Gr | oup ⁴ (%) | | | | | Age (%) |
|------------------------|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|----------|----------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|-----------------|---------------|--------------------|--------------|---------------|----------------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|---------------|--------------------|
| | | | | | | Early Stuart | | | | | | | Late | | | | Overall Stocks | | | | |
| | Fishing | | | Sample | | | | Pitt Alouette | Nadina Bowron Gates Nahat- | Early | Early Summer | Harri- son | Late | Chilko | Raft North | Summer | Birken- head | Late | | Late | |
| Area/Gear ¹ | Sector ² | Date | Type ³ | Size (n) | %Fraser | Early Stuart | Chilli- wack | Coquit- lam | latch Taseko | Thomp- son | sub- total | Widg- eon | Stuart Stellako | Ques- nel | Thomp- son | sub- total | Big Silver | Shuswap Portage | Weaver Cultus | sub- total | Age-4 ₂ |
| Johnstone S | Strait & Que | en Charlotte | Strait | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A12 ps | tf | Jul 30 | DNA | 82 | 94% | 0% | | | 16% | | 16% | 4% | 37% | 32% | 8% | 80% | 3% | | 1% | 4% | 82% |
| A12 ps | tf | Aug 1 | DNA | 97 | 97% | 0% | 2% | 4% | 5% | | 10% | 2% | 35% | 38% | 10% | 84% | 5% | | 1% | 5% | 80% |
| A12 ps | tf | Aug 2 | DNA | 98 | 96% | 0% | | | 9% | | 9% | 4% | 33% | 44% | 6% | 86% | 3% | | 1% | 4% | 76% |
| A12 ps | tf | Aug3-4 | DNA | 77 | 91% | 0% | | 1% | 2% | | 4% | 1% | 40% | 37% | 11% | 90% | 3% | 1% | 3% | 6% | 68% |
| A12 ps | | Aug 9 | Prediction | 1 | 97% | 0% | | 0% | 6% | | 6% | 2% | 19% | 54% | 10% | 84% | 8% | 0% | 2% | 10% | NA |
| Juan de Fuc | a Strait & V | ashington 8 | & Other | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| A20 ps | tf | Aug2-3 | DNA | 148 | 99% | 0% | | 2% | 12% | 0% | 14% | 10% | 21% | 36% | 10% | 77% | 8% | 0% | | 8% | 84% |
| A20 ps | | Aug 9 | Prediction | 1 | 100% | 0% | | 0% | 5% | 0% | 6% | 11% | 16% | 49% | 10% | 86% | 7% | 1% | | 9% | NA |
| In-river | | | | | <u> </u> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| BB gn | tf | Aug1-3 | DNA | 76 | 100% | 0% | 3% | | 16% | | 19% | 5% | 38% | 35% | 1% | 80% | 1% | | | 1% | 86% |
| BB gn | tf | Aug 4 | DNA | 75 | 100% | 0% | 1% | | 8% | 0% | 10% | 4% | 47% | 30% | 7% | 89% | 1% | | | 1% | 88% |
| BB gn | tf | Aug5-6 | DNA | 76 | 100% | 0% | | | 12% | | 12% | 5% | 42% | 30% | 6% | 82% | 5% | | | 5% | 89% |
| AB gn | tf | Aug5-6 | DNA | 83 | 100% | 0% | | 1% | 11% | 3% | 16% | 2% | 42% | 36% | 2% | 82% | 2% | | | 2% | 85% |

Stock proportion comparison across years for VMGN samples between Jul 28 and Aug 06



In-river samples collected at AB & BB test fisheries, grouped (box shows n).

Notes for sockeye and pink tables:

- ¹ BB GN=29_13 (Cottonwood,Brownsville), AT = Alaska Twist, AB GN= 29_16 (Whonnock), MA FW=Matsqui Fish Wheel, QU GN=Qualark
- ² TF=sample from test fishery catch, CM=sample from commercial catch, C&S=ceremonial & subsistence catch, FSC=food, social,
 - & ceremonial catch, rec= recreational catch
- ³ Predictions for sockeye are multinomial extrapolations of current year data to 5 days after the last observation; Predictions for pink salmon are projections of stock compositions based on historic and current data
- ⁴ Further information relating stock group descriptions to spawning ground locations and population definitions can be found at
 - http://www.psc.org/FRPWeb/Escapement/PSC Fraser Sockeye_ Stock Group Definitions.pdf

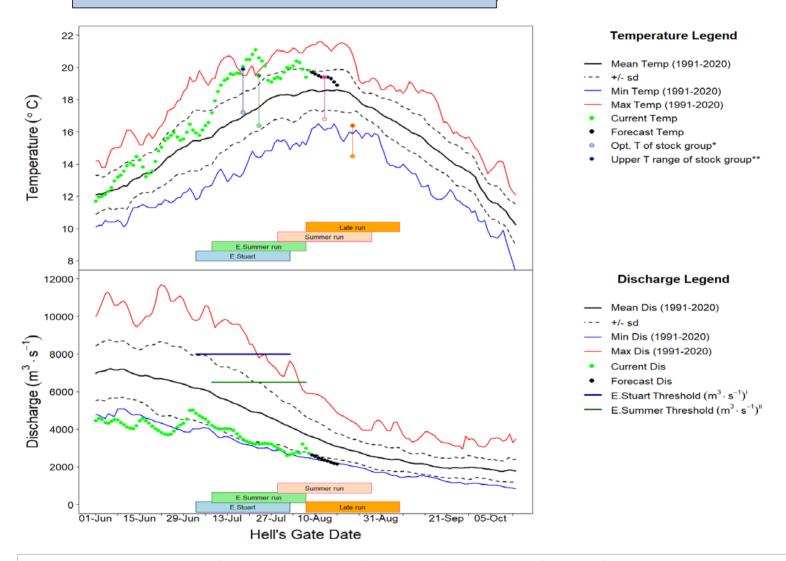
Results in grey text have been presented to the Panel previously

Fraser River Environmental Report for August 08, 2024

| Observed Fraser River Temperature at Qualark for 08-Aug 19.8°C | | | | | | |
|---|--------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Average (1991-2020) Historical Temperature on this day | 18.6°C | | | | | |
| Deviation from Average | 1.2°C | | | | | |
| Forecast Temperature for 14-Aug-24 | 19.4°C | | | | | |
| The forecast in Kamloops is for above average temperatures until Aug. 14. The | | | | | | |

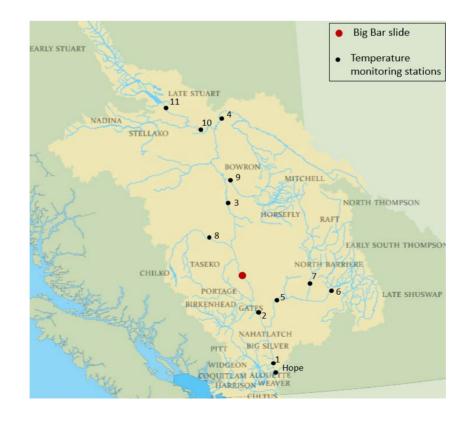
The forecast in Kamloops is for above average temperatures until Aug. 14. The forecast in Prince George is for above average temperatures.

| Observed Fraser River Discharge at Hope for 08-Aug 2711 m ³ ·s ⁻¹ | | | | | | | |
|---|--------------------------------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Average (1991-2020) Historical Discharge on this day | 3650 m ³ ·s ⁻¹ | | | | | | |
| % above or below Historical Discharge | -26% | | | | | | |
| Forecast Discharge for 14-Aug-24 | 2311 m ³ ·s ⁻¹ | | | | | | |
| The forecast in Kamloops and Prince George is for 13 mm and 5 mm, re | spectively. | | | | | | |



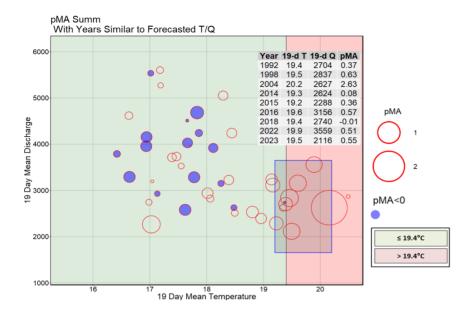
Run timing bars represent a 31 day spread of the run centered around the Hell's Gate date. Hell's gate timing is 5 days from Mission for Early Stuart and Late run; and 4 days from Mission for Early Summer and Summer run.'pMA is the proportional increase to spawning escapement targets to help ensure targets are achieved."%DBE is %difference between estimates of potential spawning escapement and spawning escapement.*This is the optimum temp for aerobic swimming - T_{pejus}. Discharge threshold of 8000cms for Early Stuart from Macdonald (2000). Can. Tech. Rep. Fish. Aquat. Sci. 2315: 120p. Discharge threshold of 6500cms for Early Summer run from Macdonald et al. (2010). Trans. Am. Fish. Soc. 139: 768-782. 19 days of T & Q data are required to calculate a pMA - 15 days before the Hell's Gate Date and 3 days after. MA estimates can be calculated 4 days after the Area 20 date.

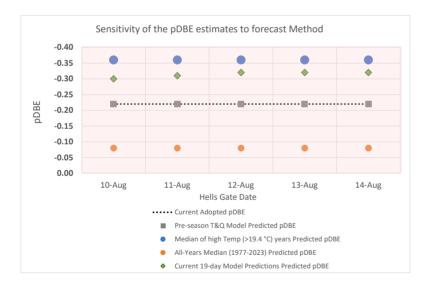
| | | Current Temperatures | | | | |
|------------------|------|------------------------------|------------|------------------|---|---------------------|
| Upriver of Slide | Map# | 07-Aug | Daily Mean | Historic Mean | Deviation from Historical Mean | Historic Year Range |
| | | Fraser River Mainstem | | | | |
| | 1 | Fraser River @ Qualark | 19.4 | 18.5 | 0.9 | 1991-2020 |
| | 2 | Fraser River @ Texas Creek | 18.9 | 18.7 | 0.2 | 2006-2023 |
| • | 3 | Fraser River @ Marguerite | 18.5 | 18.6 | -0.1 | 2015-2023 |
| • | 4 | Upper Fraser @ Shelley | 17.1 | 15.5 | 1.6 | 1994-2023 |
| | | Fraser River Tributaries | | | | |
| | 5 | Thompson R. @ Ashcroft | 19.0 | 18.2 | 8.0 | 1995-2023 |
| | 6 | South Thompson @ Chase | 20.9 | 19.4 | 1.5 | 1994-2023 |
| | 7 | North Thompson @ McLure | NA | 16.0 | NA | 2006-2023 |
| • | 8 | Chilcotin River @ Hanceville | 15.6 | 16.0 | -0.4 | 2019-2023 |
| • | 9 | Quesnel R. @ Quesnel | 16.1 | 17.1 | -1.0 | 2000-2023 |
| • | 10 | Nechako R. @ Isle Pierre | 19.4 | 19.4 | 0.0 | 2006-2023 |
| • | 11 | Stuart R. @ Ft. St. James | 20.3 | 18.8 | 1.5 | 2000-2023 |



Summer run pDBE Forecast and Sensitivity Analysis for August 09, 2024

Based on the retrospective analysis evaluation of 2010-2023 for Summer run, the best performing in-season model is the 31-day pre-season T & Q model when temperature is ≤ 19.4°C and the Median of high Temp (>19.4°C) years when Temperature is > 19.4°C.





| N | Aodel Perfo | rmance Base | d of Retrospective | of "In-season | | Best if Temp | Best If Temp | | |
|----|-------------|-------------|--------------------|-----------------------------|---------|----------------|--------------|------------------|-------------|
| p | DBE Metho | od" | | | | ≤ 19.4 °C | > 19.4 °C | | |
| | | | | | | | Median of | | |
| | | | | | | | high Temp | | Current 19- |
| | | | | | Current | Pre-season | (>19.4 °C) | All-Years Median | day Model |
| | | | | | Adopted | T&Q Model | years | (1977-2023) | Predictions |
| | | Hells Gate | Average | Average | | | Predicted | | Predicted |
| Α | rea 20 Date | Date | Temperature ºC | Discharge m ³ /s | pDBE | Predicted pDBE | pDBE | Predicted pDBE | pDBE |
| | 30-Jul | 10-Aug | 19.7 | 2802 | -0.22 | -0.22 | -0.36 | -0.08 | -0.30 |
| | 31-Jul | 11-Aug | 19.7 | 2753 | -0.22 | -0.22 | -0.36 | -0.08 | -0.31 |
| L | 01-Aug | 12-Aug | 19.7 | 2702 | -0.22 | -0.22 | -0.36 | -0.08 | -0.32 |
| k | 02-Aug | 13-Aug | 19.7 | 2653 | -0.22 | -0.22 | -0.36 | -0.08 | -0.32 |
| | 03-Aug | 14-Aug | 19.6 | 2608 | -0.22 | -0.22 | -0.36 | -0.08 | -0.32 |
| In | nplied pMA | | <u> </u> | • | , | | | · | • |
| | 02-Aug | 13-Aug | 19.7 | 2653 | 0.28 | 0.28 | 0.56 | 0.09 | 0.47 |

*Currently last day with 19 days of observed (11 days) and forecasted (8 days) Temp & Disch data.

5eii2. Information from David Patterson and DFO's Environmental Watch program

- Based on previous slides in the Chilcotin (1964, 2004), it is assumed the slide area will be cleared of acute hydraulic challenges within the week.
- Concerns at the moment are the migration delay and migratory stress salmon experience due to the high concentration of suspended sediments and water clarity (high turbidity levels).
 - Adult salmon will delay upstream migration if sediment levels are too high and suffer physiological impairment. If turbidity is high, salmon cannot see far and will sustain damage when moving through high velocity canyon areas.
 - Suspended sediment and turbidity will improve once the main slide material has scoured out, but there will be episodic pulses of sediment from continued sloughing in the mainstem Chilcotin. This impact will be diluted once it hits the Fraser mainstem.
 - The Chilcotin typically makes up < 10% of Middle Fraser flows and < 5% of lower Fraser Canyon flows.
- Estimated flows during the drainage of the backwater have not been sufficient to cause hydraulic challenges for upstream salmon migration in the mainstem of the Fraser River (below Hells Gate and at Big Bar).
- It is currently assumed that no major changes have happened to the Farwell Canyon topology that would influence hydraulics.
- It is possible that Chilcotin bound fish already in the system would be disoriented from the lack of olfactory cues for the past 5 days (observations from Chilcotin slide in 1964).

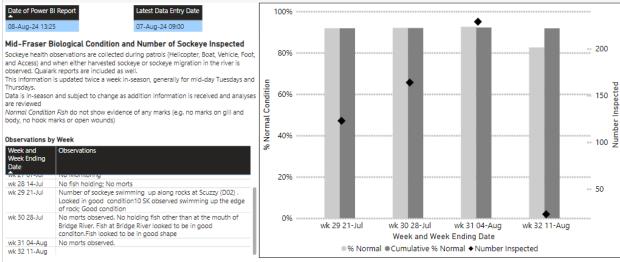
Impact of the landslide event on sockeye stocks

Chilko/Taseko run size and migration timing

- Both Chilko and Taseko have spawning grounds located above the Chilcotin landslide.
- It is estimated to take 12-13 days for sockeye to migrate from Mission to the Chilcotin landslide area assuming average migration conditions.

| Estimates as of August 9 | Taseko | Chilko | | |
|---|-------------------|---------------------------|--|--|
| Run size estimate: Taseko, preseason forecast | 67 | 125,000 | | |
| Chilko, in-season estimate | (14 – 126 80% PI) | (93,000 – 180,000 80% PI) | | |
| Marine timing estimate: Taseko, preseason forecast | July 20 | August 7 | | |
| Chilko, in-season estimate | July 20 | (4 – 9 Aug 80% PI) | | |
| Expected peak migration timing at Chilcotin landslide | August 7-8 | August 25-26 | | |
| Estimated abundance above Big Bar | NA | 4,600 sockeye | | |
| Estimated abundance between Mission and Big Bar | NA | 34,000 sockeye | | |

5eiv. Report on Fish Condition



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| Week and Week End Date | | Sawmill to Hells Gate | | Sam Adams to Siwash Cr | Pooeyelth Creek to Saw Cr | Stein River to Texas Creek | Texas to Railway Bridge Lillooet | Railway bridge Lillooet to Pavilion Creek | Barney Creek to French Bar | Total |
|---------------------------|-----|--------------------------|----|------------------------------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|--|-------------------------------------|-------|
| wk 29 21-Jul | 109 | | | 0 | | | 0 | | 14 | 123 |
| wk 30 28-Jul | 150 | | 14 | | | | | | | 164 |
| wk 31 04-Aug | 229 | | | | | | | | | 229 |
| wk 32 11-Aug | 23 | | | | | | | | | 23 |
| Total | 511 | | 14 | 0 | | | 0 | | 14 | 539 |

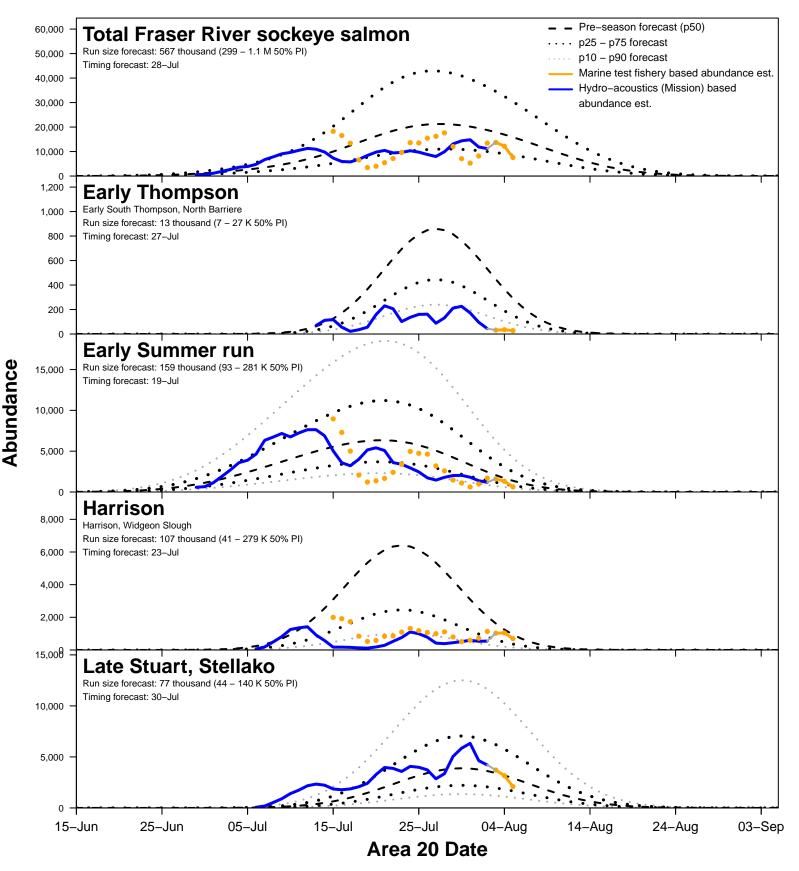
5ev. Spawning ground reports

Table 1. Fraser River Sockeye escapement - 2024 in-season update #4.

| Stock | Survey Method | Start Date | End Date | No. to Date | Spawning | Water Temp. | Water Conditions | Fish Condition |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|---------------|----------|----------------|---|----------------|--|----------------|
| EARLY STUART | | | | | | | | |
| Early Stuart | Visual survey | 20-Jul | Ongoing | | Holding | 7.7-20.6 | Low water levels in several creeks | |
| EARLY SUMMER | | | | | | | | |
| Nadina River | Hydroacoustics | 26-Jul | Ongoing | -56 | | 15.5 | | |
| Upper Chilliwack River | Hydroacoustics | 10-Jul | Ongoing | 8,714 | Primarily holding, some spawning | 10.8 | Low water levels | Appear healthy |
| SUMMER | | | | | | | | |
| Chilko | Hydroacoustics | 31-Jul | Ongoing | 250 | Migrating | 12 | | |
| Stellako (includes Nadina River) | Hydroacoustics | 25-Jul | Ongoing | 11,706* | Migrating or holding | 17 | | |
| LATE | | | | | | | | |
| Cultus Lake | Fence counts | Jul-29 | Ongoing | 0 | | 25 | | |

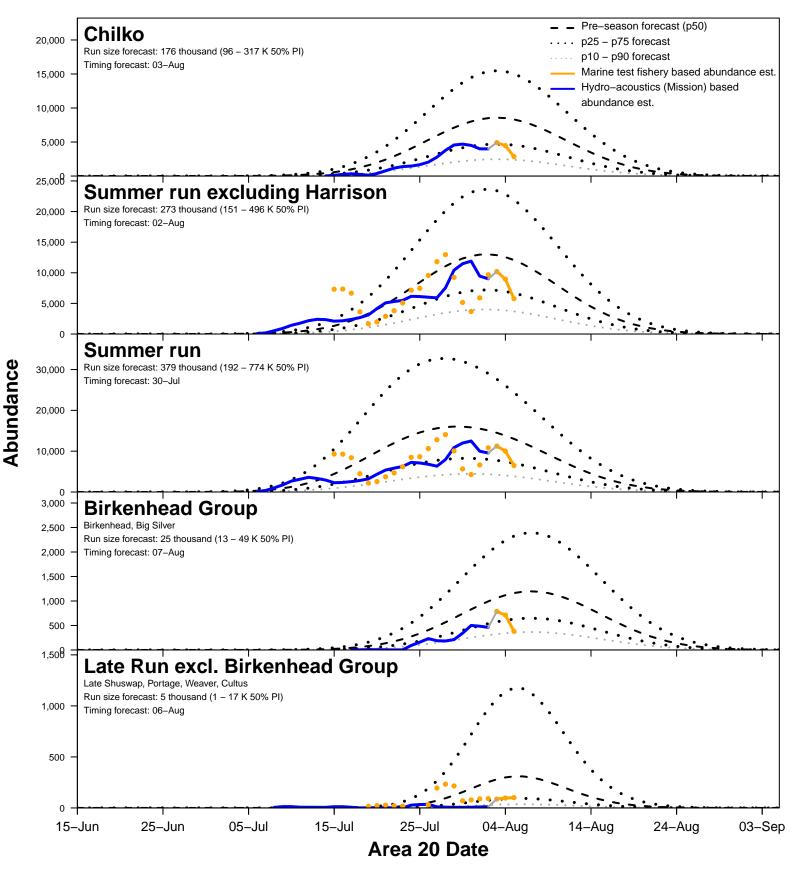
^{*}Uncertainty in SONAR counts to date.

6a. 2024 Fraser River sockeye salmon daily migration



Date: 2024-08-09, Time: 09:35 MF

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6e Fraser River run size and timing estimates

The information presented on this page has been prepared by PSC Secretariat Staff. All in-season estimates of run size and timing should be considered draft preliminary estimates unless adopted by the Fraser River Panel.

Preseason forecasts, inseason estimates, and official estimates of run size and associated timing

| | | Run Size | | | | | | Run size components | | | | Run Timing ¹ | | | | | |
|------------------------|---------------------|-----------------------|------------|---------------------|--------------------|--------------------------------|-----------|-----------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------|--------------|-------------------------|-----------------------|--------|--------|----------------------|----------|
| | Inseason Adopted | Preseason Forecast | | nseason estimate | Inseason 10% PI | 80% PIs ² 90% PI | Method | Catch + Escapement | 6-day Projection ³ | Seaward Abundance | • | Inseason Adopted | Preseason Forecast | | | 80% PIs ² | Method |
| Early Stuart Run ‡ | NA | 181 | | | | | No in-sea | ason assessm | ents due to | lack of in-sea | son data foi | r Early Stu | art in 2024 | | | | |
| Early Summer Run | 136,000 | 159,000 | ~ | 138,000 | 135,000 | 140,000 | Sum | 133,000 | 5,000 | 0 | 0 | 13-Jul | 19-Jul | 14-Jul | 13-Jul | 14-Jul | Recon |
| Chilliwack | | 34,000 | ~ | 19,000 | 19,000 | 19,000 | Recon | 19,000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | | 09-Jul | 10-Jul | 10-Jul | 10-Jul | Recon |
| Pitt/Nadina Group⁴ | | 111,000 | ~ | 115,000 | 113,000 | 117,000 | Recon | 111,000 | 4,000 | 0 | 0 | | 21-Jul | 14-Jul | 14-Jul | 14-Jul | Recon |
| Early Thompson⁵ | | 13,000 | • | 4,000 | 3,000 | 4,000 | Recon(2) | 3,000 | 1,000 | 0 | 0 | | 27-Jul | 29-Jul | 25-Jul | 29-Jul | Recon(2) |
| Summer Run | NA | 379,000 | A | 274,000 | 223,000 | 339,000 | Sum | 145,000 | 53,000 | 68,000 | 9,000 | NA | 30-Jul | 01-Aug | 30-Jul | 03-Aug | Weight |
| Harrison / Widgeon | | 107,000 | A | 28,000 | 17,000 | 46,000 | Model | 16,000 | 2,000 | 1,000 | 9,000 | | 23-Jul | 25-Jul | 20-Jul | 28-Jul | Model |
| Late Stuart / Stellako | | 77,000 | • | 104,000 | 91,000 | 116,000 | Recon(2) | 80,000 | 15,000 | 9,000 | 0 | | 30-Jul | 28-Jul | 26-Jul | 29-Jul | Recon(2) |
| Chilko/Quesnel/Raft/NT | | 196,000 | \Diamond | 142,000 | 115,000 | 177,000 | Model | 48,000 | 36,000 | 58,000 | 0 | | 03-Aug | 06-Aug | 04-Aug | 08-Aug | Model |

 $^{^{\}rm 1}$ Run timing refers to the date when 50% of the run migrated past the Area 20 reference point

Methods for run size & timing estimation

Run size assessment model (median) Model

Catch + escapement + 6-day test fish projection + model seaward projection

Catch + escapement + model projections

Sum of individual groups

Weighted average of individual groups

Run Size Uncertainty Legend[†]

≥ 95% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. The CV associated with the run size is < 5%. Clear indication of run size; minor run size updates still expected

- ≥ 70% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. The CV associated with the run size is < 20%. Good indication of run size; peak fo the run has been observed at Mission, uncertainty relates to seaward abundance
- ≥ 50% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. The CV associated with the run size is < 35%. Decent indication of run size.
- < 50% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. The CV associated with the run size can be as high as 80%. Uncertain or early indication of run size based on marine data

% Seaward of

† The Run Size Uncertainty Indicator is a categorical indication of the degree of uncertainty present in the run size estimate. Estimates are categorized quantitatively based on the proportion of the run that has been accounted for with high certainty in catch + escapement.

144,000

Summer run size based on timing

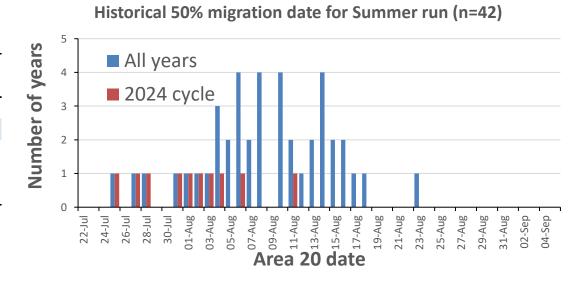
Catch+Escapement To Date:

| 6-day Projection: | 53,000 | |
|---------------------------|----------|-----------|
| | Method | Run Size* |
| Based on timing of 30-Jul | 50% Date | 228,000 |
| Based on timing of 01-Aug | 50% Date | 273,000 |
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| | wietnoa | Kun Size | Mission |
|---------------------------|-----------|----------|---------|
| Based on timing of 30-Jul | 50% Date | 228,000 | 37% |
| Based on timing of 01-Aug | 50% Date | 273,000 | 47% |
| Based on timing of 03-Aug | 50% Date | 322,000 | 55% |
| Based on timing of 05-Aug | 50% Date | 348,000 | 59% |
| Based on timing of 07-Aug | % Seaward | 453,000 | 68% |
| | | | |

^{*}Based on % seaward in 2012, 2016 and 2020 if timing is later than 05-Aug

^{*}Equal to double the reconstructed abundance if timing is earlier than 06-Aug



² 80% Probability Interval: there exists an 80% chance that the true abundance lies within this interval

³ Normally based on test fishery data. Based on Model if Method = Recon(2).

⁴ Pitt / Alouette / Coquitlam / Nadina / Bowron / Gates / Nahatlatch / Taseko

⁵ Early South Thompson / North Barriere.

 $^{^{\}ddagger}$ No in-season assessments will be provided for Early Stuart run size or timing.

7a Recommendations on Run Size, Timing, and MA

The following table presents the run size estimates on which run size recommendations from PSC staff will be based. Additional consideration is given to the potential strength of the tail of the run based on past observations. The Panel may either accept or reject the run size recommendations or propose alternative estimates. The run size estimates presented here may not reflect the final estimates adopted by the Fraser River Panel.

| | | Run Size | Tim | ning | PSC Staff | | |
|-------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------------|
| Management Group | Currently | In-season | In-season 80% PIs | | Currently | In-season | Recommendation |
| | Adopted | Estimate | 10% PI | 90% PI | Adopted | Estimate | |
| Early Stuart Run | No in-season assessments due to la | ack of in-season dat | a for Early Stuart | t in 2024 | | | |
| Early Summer Run | 136,000 | 138,000 | 135,000 | 140,000 | Jul 13 | Jul 14 | Maybe |
| Summer Run | 396,000 (pre-season forecast) | 274,000 | 223,000 | 339,000 | Jul 30 | Aug 01 | Yes |
| Late Run | | | | | | | No |

Recommended timing estimates are dependent on the recommended run size estimates.

PSC staff recommends pDBE estimates which will be converted into MA estimates for consideration by the Panel. When making a pDBE recommendation, additional consideration is given to the number of observed days of temperature (T) and discharge (Q). The Panel may either accept or reject the MA estimates associated with the pDBE recommendations or propose alternative estimates, by incorporating additional information that is not accounted for in the current quantitative approach. The Management Adjustment estimates presented here may not reflect the final estimates adopted by the Fraser River Panel.

| | pDBE | and associated | d pMA estimat | te | Observed Davis | DCC Stoff | | |
|--------------------|-----------|----------------|--------------------|------|----------------|--------------------------|--|--|
| Management Group _ | Currently | Adopted | In-season estimate | | Observed Days | PSC Staff Recommendation | | |
| | pDBE | рМА | pDBE | рМА | - Т & Q | Recommendation | | |
| Early Stuart Run | -0.66 | 1.94 | -0.66 | 1.94 | 19 | No | | |
| Early Summer Run | -0.36 | 0.56 | -0.36 | 0.56 | 19 | No | | |
| Summer Run | -0.22 | 0.28 | -0.36 | 0.56 | 11 | Yes | | |
| Late Run | -0.33 | 0.49 | -0.33 | 0.49 | | No | | |



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DRAFT AGENDA PSC Fraser River Panel Meeting

In-person: Wall Centre Vancouver Airport

Via Zoom Webinar: https://psc-org.zoom.us/j/89632608507

| FRP | me | eting: Tuesday, August 13, 2024 at 10:30 am | | | | | | | |
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| | 1) | Roll Call (Panel and Tech members, others please email Angela Xu, | 5 min | | | | | | |
| | | frontdesk@psc.org) | | | | | | | |
| | 2) | Webinar Etiquette: mute phone & chat feature | 2 min | | | | | | |
| √ | 3) | Agenda | 5 min | | | | | | |
| | 4) | Overview of run and catch status | 5 min | PSC staff | | | | | |
| √ | -, | a) Accounted run to date relative to forecast and adopted run sizes | | | | | | | |
| | | b) Catch-to-date by fishery | | | | | | | |
| | | c) TAC table | | | | | | | |
| | 5) | Biological information | 20 min | PSC staff | | | | | |
| √ | - | a) Test fishing catches and acoustics summary | | | | | | | |
| √ | | b) Comparison of predictions from Mission to Qualark | | | | | | | |
| | | c) Species composition review | | | | | | | |
| √ | | d) Stock Identification review | | | | | | | |
| | | e) Management Adjustment (MA) considerations | | | | | | | |
| √ | | i) Environmental report & current temperatures in areas of Fraser Watershed | | | | | | | |
| √ | | ii) pDBE forecast and sensitivity analysis | | | | | | | |
| | | iii) Discharge and migration passage at Big Bar | | | | | | | |
| | | iv) Report on fish condition | | DFO | | | | | |
| | | v) Spawning ground reports | | DFO | | | | | |
| | 6) | Assessment information | 20 min | PSC staff | | | | | |
| √ | | a) Daily migration graphs | | | | | | | |
| | | b) Predicted abundance en route to Mission | | | | | | | |
| | | c) Diversion rate | | | | | | | |
| | | d) Technical assessment information | | | | | | | |
| √ | | e) Run size and timing estimates | | | | | | | |
| | | f) Predicted allowable harvest based on run size and DBE scenarios | | | | | | | |
| | | g) Criteria for fishing decisions table | | | | | | | |
| | ٦١ | h) Catch evaluation | 10 | | | | | | |
| | 7) | Recommendations on run size, migration timing and MA | 10 min | DCC -+- ff | | | | | |
| √ | | a) PSC recommendations b) Consider and (as LLS recommendations | | PSC staff | | | | | |
| | | b) Canadian and/or U.S. recommendationsc) Panel decision | | Panel | | | | | |
| | 8) | Fisheries recommendations | | | | | | | |
| | 0) | a) Canadian and U.S. proposals | | Panel | | | | | |
| | | b) Staff evaluation | | PSC staff | | | | | |
| | | c) Canadian and U.S. evaluation | | Panel | | | | | |
| | | d) Panel decision | | runci | | | | | |
| | 9) | Assessments from other areas | 5 min | PSC staff | | | | | |
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