

Wednesday, August 08, 2001

The Fraser Panel met Wednesday, August 08, to review the status of the Fraser sockeye migration. The Panel expressed concern about the very low level of catch taken in commercial and test fisheries in Juan de Fuca and Johnstone Straits at the beginning of the week. After review of the available information, the Panel opted to take a conservative approach and adopted a provisional run-size estimate of 4.0 million summer-run sockeye. All commercial fisheries in Panel Area waters remain closed, with a review at the next Panel meeting, Friday August 10.