

REVISED  
Friday, August 10, 2018

The Fraser River Panel met Friday, August 10 to receive an update on the migration of Fraser sockeye and review the status of migration conditions in the Fraser River watershed.

Assessments of Early Summer-run sockeye abundance are ongoing and run-size estimates should be available in early August after their peak migration through marine areas. Assessments of Summer-run are also ongoing and run-size estimates should be available in mid-August.

On August 9, the Fraser River water discharge at Hope was approximately 2,881 cms, which is approximately 23% below average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Qualark Creek on August 9 was 20.4°C, which is 2.3°C above average for this date. Fraser River water temperatures are forecast to decrease to slightly to 20.0°C over the next few days. Sustained water temperatures in this range can cause severe stress to migrating sockeye and may lead to significant en route mortality. Migration conditions for Fraser sockeye will be monitored closely over the next several weeks and appropriate management actions will be taken.

**CANADIAN FRASER RIVER PANEL AREA WATERS:**

Area 18-1, 18-11 and Area 29-1 to 6: As previously announced, open to Area H troll ITQ fishery from 12:01 a.m. Monday August 6, 2018 until further notice (Please refer to DFO Fishery Notice for further details)

**UNITED STATES FRASER RIVER PANEL AREA WATERS:**

**TREATY INDIAN FISHERY:**

Areas 4B, 5 and 6C: As previously announced, extended for drift gillnets 12:00 p.m. (noon), Wednesday, August 08, 2018, to 12:00 p.m. (noon) Saturday, August 11, 2018

Areas 4B, 5 and 6C: Extended for drift gillnets 12:00 p.m. (noon), Saturday, August 11, 2018, to 12:00 p.m. (noon) Wednesday, August 15, 2018

**ALL CITIZEN FISHERY:**

Remains closed to fishing.

(Note: U. S. Non-Treaty fishers should check the U.S. hotline and WDFW regulations before fishing as there are additional State of Washington regulations, including time restrictions that may be in effect).

The next in-season meeting of the Panel is scheduled to occur on Tuesday, August 14, 2018.