

REVISED  
Tuesday, August 21, 2018

The Fraser River Panel met Tuesday, August 21 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 and Summer-run sockeye abundance are ongoing and run-size estimates should be available in mid-August. Test fishing catches indicate 28% of the Fraser sockeye are currently passing through Johnstone Strait.

On August 20, the Fraser River water discharge at Hope was approximately 2,401 cms, which is approximately 22% below average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Qualark Creek on August 20 was 17.3°C, which is 0.7°C below average for this date. Fraser River water temperatures are forecast to decrease to 17.2°C over the next few days.

#### **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)

Area 29: Portions of 29-3, 4, 6, 7, 9, 10 and 11 to 17: As previously announced, open to Area E gillnets from 10:00 a.m., to 6:00 p.m., Tuesday August 21, 2018 (Please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details)

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

##### **TREATY INDIAN FISHERY:**

Areas 4B, 5 and 6C: Extended for drift gillnets 12:00 p.m. (noon), Wednesday, August 22, 2018, to 1:00 p.m. Friday, August 24, 2018

Areas 6, 7, 7A: Open for net fishing from 5:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Friday, August 24, 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 Thursday, August 23, 2018.