

Friday, July 28, 2023

The Fraser River Panel met Friday, July 28, to receive an update on the migration of Fraser River sockeye salmon and review the status of migration conditions in the Fraser River watershed. It is currently estimated that 182,800 sockeye have passed the Mission hydroacoustics site. The Panel adopted a run size of 43,000 with an associated Area 20 timing of July 2 and a proportional management adjustment of 1.70 for Early Stuart sockeye at today's meeting.

On July 27 the discharge of the Fraser River at Hope was 2,447 cms, which is approximately 47% below the historical average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Qualark Creek on July 27 was 19.6°C, which is 1.5°C above the historical average for this date. Fraser River discharge levels and water temperatures will be monitored closely to determine if specific management actions are required during the in-river migratory period to help achieve sockeye escapement goals.

All Panel Area Waters remain closed to commercial salmon fishing.

The next in-season meeting of the Panel is scheduled to occur on Tuesday, August 1, 2023.