

Tuesday, August 15, 2023

The Fraser River Panel met Tuesday, August 15, to receive an update on the migration of Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon and review the status of migration conditions in the Fraser River watershed. It is currently estimated that 567,100 and 16,200 sockeye and pink salmon, respectively, have passed the Mission hydroacoustics site. The Panel adopted an in-season run size of 8,575,000 pink salmon with an associated Area 20 timing of August 18.

The discharge of the Fraser River at Hope on August 14 was 2,304 cms, which is approximately 29% below the historical average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Hope on August 14 was 20.7°C, which is 2.1°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 Friday, August 18, 2023.