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# DRAFT AGENDA PACIFIC SALMON COMMISSION FRASER RIVER PANEL Friday July 28, 2023 at 11:00 am. Via Zoom Webinar

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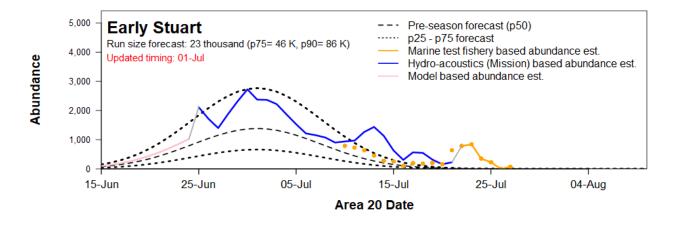
1)	Roll Call (Panel and Tech members, others please email <u>Julie</u> , <u>ehrmantraut@psc.org</u> )	
2)	Webinar Etiquette:	
	<ul><li>a) Mute Phone: Please mute phone unless you are asking a question</li><li>b) Chat feature: Please use for questions regarding the distribution only</li></ul>	
3)	Agenda	
4)	Run status of Fraser River sockeye salmon relative to forecasts and adopted run sizes	PSC Staff
5)	In-season data flow for updating objectives  a) Test fishing catches and acoustics  b) Mission and Qualark comparisons: Total salmon and sockeye  c) Stock proportions  d) Environmental conditions  e) Big Bar update	PSC staff
	f) Observations from the watershed	DFO
6)	Assessments and recommendations  a) Migration graphs, escapement projections, run size assessments	PSC Staff
7)	Review any decisions on staff recommendations	Panel
8)	Other Business a) Weekly Report	Panel
9)	Next FRP Meeting, Tuesday August 1, 11:00 a.m. via Zoom Webinar Next Technical Committee meeting, Thursday August 3, 1:00 p.m. via Zoom	Panel TC

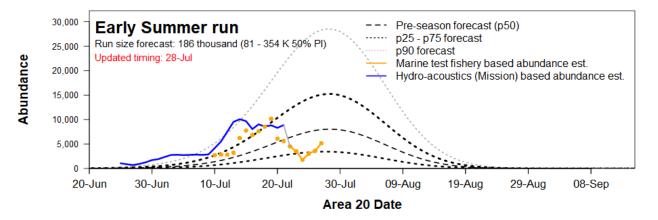
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The information presented in this distribution has been prepared by PSC Secretariat staff and should be considered preliminary until reviewed by the Fraser River Panel

Week of: Jul. 23 - Jul. 29, 2023			Sockeye			Pink
		Managem	ent Group		Total	Total
	E.Stuart	E.Summer	Summer	Late	Fraser	Fraser
Mission passage (inclds Pitt, Alouette, Coquitlam)	39,900	129,900	12,100	300	182,200	0
Catch downstream of Mission	200	1,900	700	0	2,800	100
Accounted Run To Date	40,100	131,800	12,800	300	185,000	100
Run size adopted in-season <sup>2</sup>	na	na	na	na	na	na
Run size forecasted pre-season	23,000	186,000	1,167,000	188,000	1,564,000	6,135,000
Area 20 timing adopted in-season	na	na	na	na	na	na
Area 20 timing expected pre-season	7-Jul	6-Aug	17-Aug	24-Aug	16-Aug	24-Aug
Johnstone Str. Diversion Rate			In-season 5	-day average	61%	na
		Preseaso	on forecast of	annual rate:	67%	53%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Run sizes are usually not adopted until after the peak of the run has passed through marine test fishery areas in Juan de Fuca and Johnstone straits.





#### 2023 Fraser Sockeye Test Fishing & Escapement Summary

	Johnst	one Strait	Juan de F	uca Strait	Fraser River											
Area/Gear	A12 GN	A12 PS	A20 GN*	A20 PS	A29-13 GN	A29-17 GN	A29-16 GN	Whon CPUE		Qualark		Mission H	ydroacoustics	Hells Gate		
Location	Round Is	Blinkhorn	Port Renfrew	Port Renfrew	Cottonwood	Brownsville	Whonnock	Estimate	GN Catch	Estimate <sup>2</sup>	Method <sup>3</sup>	Estimate <sup>4</sup>	Method <sup>5</sup>	Estimates <sup>6</sup>		
From A20	(-2 days)	(-1 day)	(0 days)	(0 days)	(+5 days)	Bar <sup>1</sup>	(+6 days)	(+6 days)	(+8 days)			(+6 days)		(+10 days)		
7-Jul							0	0.00	8	2,845	RB x 2	4,600	S1+M+A2	No Count		
8-Jul							0	0.00	3 **	1,256	RB + LB	4,500	S1+M+A2	No Count		
9-Jul							0	0.00	1 **	1,715	RB + LB	5,000	S1+M+A2	0		
10-Jul			57				0	0.00	2 **	2,253	RB + LB	5,400	S1+M+A2	0		
11-Jul	1		129				3	0.28	4 **	3,372	RB + LB	3,600	S1+M+A2	0		
12-Jul	6		90			20	0	0.00	5 (Two sets)	4,078	RB + LB	3,800	S1+M+A2	170		
13-Jul	2		39			14	3	0.29	14 **	4,082	RB + LB	4,600	S1+M+A2	300		
14-Jul	17		48			12	13	1.17	9 **	4,777	RB + LB	3,400	S1+M+A2	370		
15-Jul	9		146			19	13	1.17	8 **	3,765	RB + LB	3,200	S1+M+A2	530		
16-Jul	2		26			25	29	2.45	11 **	4,754	RB + LB	4,100	S1+M+A2	580		
17-Jul	10		15			21	29	2.37	4 **	3,245	RB + LB	7,000	S1+M+A2	620		
18-Jul	11		194			12	40	3.03	5 **	5,724	RB + LB	6,100	S1+M+A2	670		
19-Jul	18		73			7	28	2.18	9 **	6,009	RB + LB	9,400	S1+M2+A2	900		
20-Jul	10	67	72			7	18	1.48	10 **	7,528	RB + LB	11,800	S1+M2+A2	560		
21-Jul	3	31	28	167		13	1	0.09	15 **	7,162	RB + LB	7,800	S1+M2+A2	1,580		
22-Jul	3	62	69	28		50	0	0.00	6	4,652	RB + LB	9,000	S1+M2+A2	No Count		
23-Jul	1	349	53	62 (5 sets)		48	2	0.17	12	7,054	RB + LB	8,000	S1+M2+A2	1,880		
24-Jul	15	7 (4 Sets)	10	70		18	5	0.48	27 (5 sets)	8,566	RB + LB	11,500	S1+M2+A2	730		
25-Jul	7	134	6	50		43	2	0.19	15 (5 sets)	9,079	RB + LB	9,200	S1+M2+A2	1,970		
26-Jul	6	1,390	52	73	16	42	4	0.37	15	9,408	RB + LB	10,900	S1+M2+A2	1,880		
27-Jul	15	106	60	127	9	40	2	0.17				8,900	S1+M2+A2	5,000		
28-Jul																
29-Jul																

 $<sup>^{\</sup>rm 1}$  Alternative Lower River Test Fishery - Southern Endowment Fund Project

RB x 2 = Right-bank (RB) x 2

RB + LB = Right-bank (RB) + Left-bank (LB)

S1+M+A2 = Left bank split-beam (S1) + Mobile split-beam (M) + Right bank ARIS (A2)

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 $<sup>^{2}</sup>$  Qualark escapement estimate - does not include Chilliwack, Pitt, Harrison, Birkenhead, Big Silver, Weaver, and Cultus

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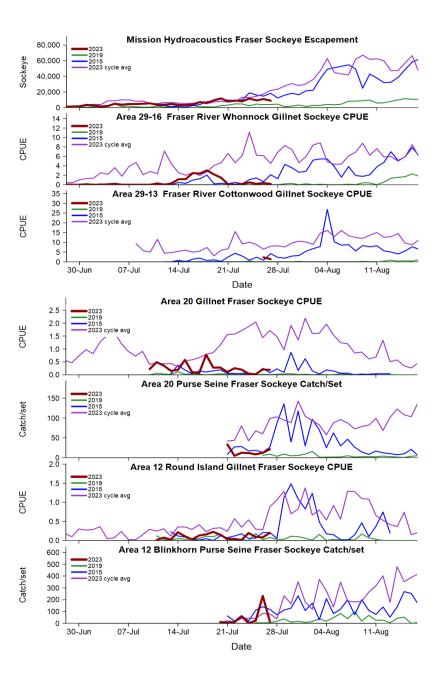
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Mission escapement estimate - does not include Pitt

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Mission source:

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Daily Hells Gate abundance estimate; actual daily count has been expanded.

<sup>\*</sup> Area 20 Gillnet - two boats fishing each day, unless specified otherwise. One boat is fishing with a 5" Alaska twist net, while the other is fishing a 5 1/8" multistrand net.

<sup>\*\*</sup> Three sets performed for Qualark Gillnet



#### 2023 Fraser Pink Test Fishing & Escapement Summary

	Johns	tone Strait	Juan de	Fuca Strait						Fraser Ri	ver			
Area/Gear	A12 GN	A12 PS	A20 GN *	A20 PS	A29-13 GN	A29-17 GN	A29-16 GN	Whon CPUE		Qualark		Mission Hy	droacoustics	Hell's Gate
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7-Jul							0	0.00	0	0	RB x 2	0	S1+M+A2	No Count
8-Jul							0	0.00	0	0	RB x 3	0	S1+M+A2	No Count
9-Jul							0	0.00	0	0	RB x 4	0	S1+M+A2	0
10-Jul			5				0	0.00	0	0	RB x 5	0	S1+M+A2	0
11-Jul	1		14				0	0.00	0	0	RB x 6	0	S1+M+A2	0
12-Jul	3		34			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB x 7	0	S1+M+A2	0
13-Jul	0		9			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
14-Jul	7		31			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
15-Jul	3		94			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
16-Jul	1		10			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
17-Jul	7		36			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
18-Jul	11		56			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M+A2	0
19-Jul	48		220			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
20-Jul	24	302	45			0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
21-Jul	27	931	50	128		0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
22-Jul	9	549	281	410		0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	No Count
23-Jul	3	1,782	112	1344 (5 sets)		0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
24-Jul	24	69 (4 sets)	36	2,440		0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
25-Jul	11	927	34	1,150		0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
26-Jul	8	9,305	191	3,364	0	0	0	0.00	0	0	RB+LB	0	S1+M2+A2	0
27-Jul	19	3,334	136	10,148	0	0	0	0.00	0			0	S1+M2+A2	0
28-Jul														

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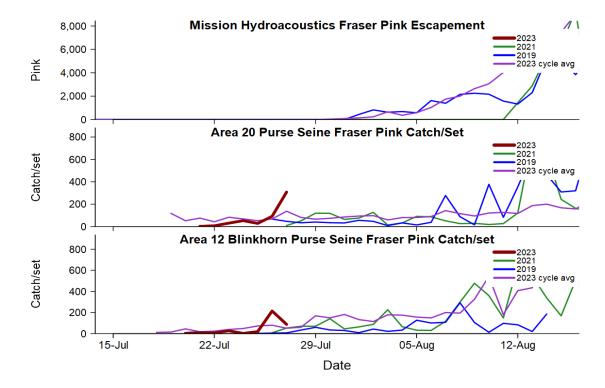
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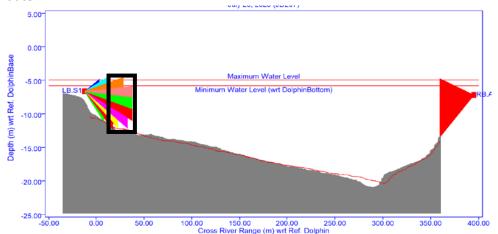
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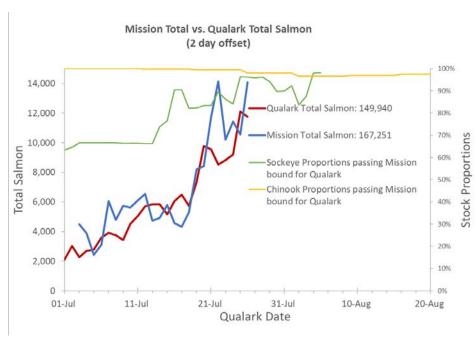
Daily Hells Gate abundance estimate; actual daily count has been multiplied by 2

## Mission Estimate Updates

- Historically, the mobile estimate covering the mid-section of the river is the most uncertain part
  of the Mission estimate<sup>1</sup>. In 2023, the impact of the uncertainty and potential bias associated with the mobile
  split-beam estimate is larger compared to other years due to the higher offshore migration.
- Alternative mobile ARIS technology has been explored recently<sup>2</sup> but has not yet been used in-season to estimate offshore abundance as we have limited historic data (2022 onward).
- However, looking at the common area of overlap between the two shore based estimates and the two mobile
  estimates, the results indicate that the mobile splitbeam system is an underestimate and the mobile ARIS
  system might provide more accurate offshore estimates, based on information from 2022 and 2023 season to
  date.



• As a result, the mobile ARIS system has been adopted as the official offshore estimator from July 19 onwards. We will continue to closely monitor comparisons between all these systems.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Conrad, B., A. Dufault, M. Hawkshaw, A. Huang, E. Jenkins, C. Lagasse, M. Lapointe, M. Litz, F. Martens, C. Michielsens, J. Scroggie, M. Staley, T. Whitehouse, C. Wor, and Y. Xie. 2019. Hydroacoustics Review Technical Summary. Pacific Salmon Comm. Tech. Rep. No 41: 369 p.

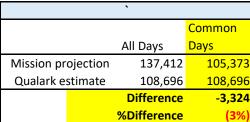
<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Hornsby, R. et al. 2023. Mobile ARIS data update. April FRP presentation, Squamish, BC.

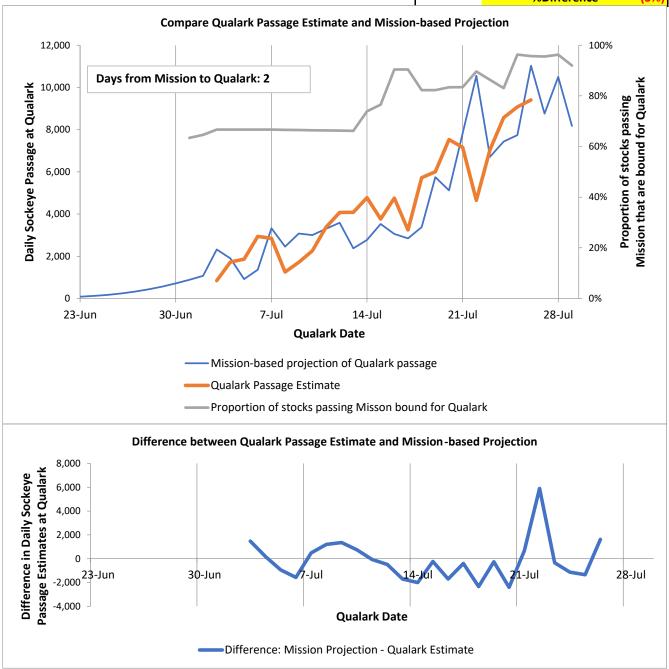
### Fraser Sockeye: Qualark Passage Estimate and Mission-based Projection

Year: **2023** 

Date: 28-Jul-23

Time: 9:51 AM





#### 2023 Fraser River Sockeye Salmon Stock identification Review

Recent stock composition estimates for sockeye salmon

	•									Fras	er-only S	tock Pro	portions	by Repo	orting Gr	oup <sup>4</sup> (%)					Age (%)
						Early															Overall
						Stuart		Ea	ırly Sumı	mer				Summe	r			Late	е		Stocks
									Nadina												
									Bowron												
								Pitt	Gates		Early	Harri-			Raft		Birken-				
	Fishing			Sample				Alouette	Nahat-	Early	Summer	son	Late	Chilko	North	Summer	head	Late		Late	
						Early	Chilli-	Coquit-	latch	Thomp-	sub-	Widg-	Stuart	Ques-	Thomp-	sub-	Big	Shuswap	Weaver	sub-	
Area/Gear <sup>1</sup>	Sector <sup>2</sup>	Date	Type <sup>3</sup>	Size (n)	%Fraser	Stuart	wack	lam	Taseko	son	total	eon	Stellako	nel	son	total	Silver	Portage	Cultus	total	Age-4 <sub>2</sub>
Johnstone S	trait & Que	en Charlotte	Strait																		
A12 ps	tf	Jul20-21	DNA	88	77%	5%	6%	4%	56%	4%	70%		21%	3%		24%				0%	38%
A12 ps	tf	Jul 23	DNA	97	90%	2%	2%	1%	39%	2%	44%		32%	18%		50%			3%	3%	35%
A12 ps	tf	Jul 25	DNA	100	87%	0%		6%	36%	6%	48%	1%	27%	22%		50%	2%			2%	48%
A12 gn	tf	Jul 24	DNA	15	73%	0%		18%	55%	9%	83%		17%			17%				0%	NA
A12 gnps		Jul 30	Prediction	1	94%	0%		2%	12%	2%	16%	1%	47%	36%		83%	1%			1%	NA
Juan de Fuca	a Strait & W	ashington 8	Other																		
A20 ps	tf	Jul21-22	DNA	118	86%	0%	2%	8%	55%	3%	68%	6%	14%	11%		31%			1%	1%	26%
A20 at	tf	Jul22-24	DNA	70	85%	6%	4%	22%	42%	4%	72%	9%	3%	5%	5%	21%				0%	35%
A20 ps	tf	Jul 23	DNA	56	86%	0%	2%	11%	47%	12%	72%	4%	20%	4%		28%				0%	29%
A20 ps	tf	Jul 25	DNA	45	89%	0%	5%	10%	36%	12%	63%	13%	12%	10%		34%	2%	0%		2%	33%
A20 gnps		Jul 30	Prediction	1	94%	0%	1%	3%	8%	4%	15%	15%	43%	25%		83%	1%			1%	NA
In-river																					
AB gn	tf	Jul24-25	DNA	6	100%	0%			50%		50%	17%	33%			50%				0%	50%
BB gn	tf	Jul24-25	DNA	58	100%	0%	1%	4%	59%	9%	73%	2%	13%	11%		27%				0%	33%
BB gn	tf	Jul 26	DNA	38	100%	0%	3%	13%	55%	3%	74%	5%	16%	2%		24%		3%		3%	29%
Hop-Qua gn	tf	Jul23-24	DNA	19	100%	10%			84%		84%	5%				5%				0%	NA

#### 2023 Fraser River Pink Salmon Stock identification Review

Recent stock composition estimates for pink salmon

	Fishing			Sample	DNA	% Estimates by	Group
							Canada
Area/Gear <sup>1</sup>	Sector <sup>2</sup>	Date	Type <sup>3</sup>	Size (n)	Fraser River	Washington	South Coast
Johnstone S	trait						
A12 PS	TF	Jul21	DNA	96	10%	15%	76%
A12 PS	TF	Jul24-25	DNA	96	7%	16%	77%
A12		Jul29	Prediction	1	17%	20%	63%
Juan de Fuca	a Strait						
A20 PS	TF	Jul24	DNA	95	12%	19%	69%
A20		Jul29	Prediction	1	19%	26%	55%
Washington							
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#### Notes for sockeye and pink tables:

- BB GN=29\_13 (Cottonwood,Brownsville), AT = Alaska Twist, AB GN= 29\_16 (Whonnock), MA FW=Matsqui Fish Wheel, QU GN=Qualark
- <sup>2</sup> TF=sample from test fishery catch, CM=sample from commercial catch, C&S=ceremonial & subsistence catch, FSC=food, social, & ceremonial catch, rec= recreational catch
- <sup>3</sup> Predictions for sockeye are multinomial extrapolations of current year data to 5 days after the last observation; Predictions for pink salmon are projections of stock compositions based on historic and current data
- <sup>4</sup> Further information relating stock group descriptions to spawning ground locations and population definitions can be found at

http://www.psc.org/FRPWeb/Escapement/PSC Fraser Sockeye Stock Group Definitions.pdf

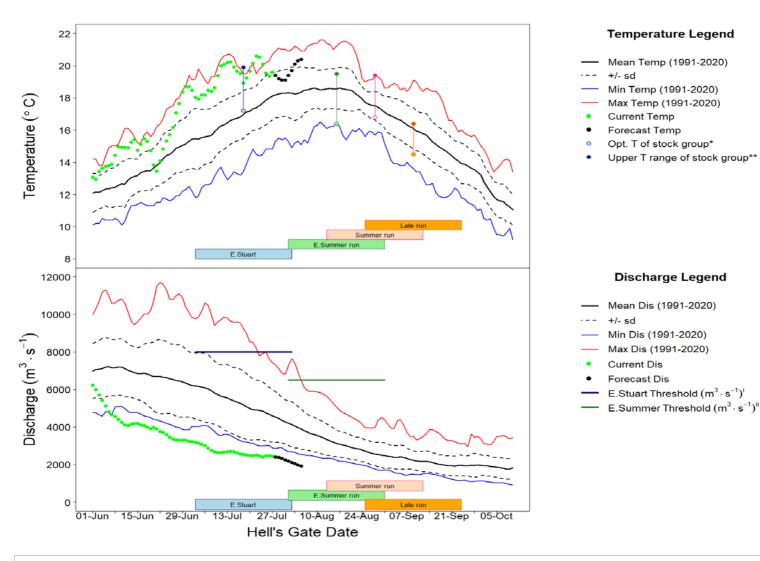
Results in grey text have been presented to the Panel previously

Observed Fraser River Temperature at Qualark for 27-Jul	19.6°C
Average (1991-2020) Historical Temperature on this day	18.1°C
Deviation from Average	1.5°C
Forecast Temperature for 02-Aug-23	19.7°C

The forecast in Kamloops is for below average air temperatures until July 28 and variable for the rest of the forecast period. The forecast for Prince George is for below average air temperature until Aug 1 and above average temperature for the rest of the forecast period.

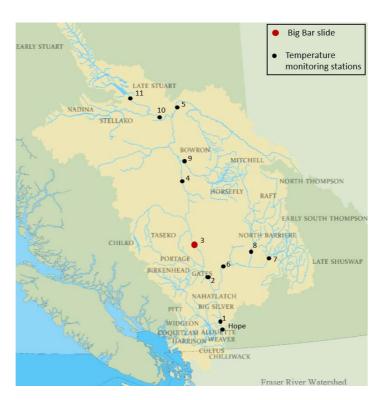
Observed Fraser River Discharge at Hope for 27-Jul	2447 m <sup>3</sup> ·s <sup>-1</sup>
Average (1991-2020) Historical Discharge on this day	4591 m <sup>3</sup> ·s <sup>-1</sup>
% above or below Historical Discharge	-47%
Forecast Discharge for 02-Aug-23	2118 m <sup>3</sup> ·s <sup>-1</sup>

The forecast in Kamloops is for 8 mm precipiatation. The forecast in Prince George is for 16 mm of precipitation.



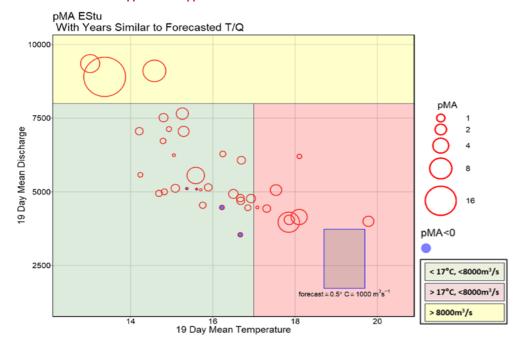
Run timing bars represent a 31 day spread of the run centered around the Hell's Gate date. Hell's gate timing is 5 days from Mission for Early Stuart and Late run; and 4 days from Mission for Early Summer and Summer run.'pMA is the proportional increase to spawning escapement targets to help ensure targets are achieved."%DBE is %difference between estimates of potential spawning escapement and spawning escapement.\*This is the optimum temp for aerobic swimming - T<sub>pejus</sub>. iDischarge threshold of 8000cms for Early Stuart from Macdonald (2000). Can. Tech. Rep. Fish. Aquat. Sci. 2315: 120p. iDischarge threshold of 6500cms for Early Summer run from Macdonald et al. (2010). Trans. Am. Fish. Soc. 139: 768-782. 19 days of T & Q data are required to calculate a pMA - 15 days before the Hell's Gate Date and 3 days after. MA estimates can be calculated 4 days after the Area 20 date.

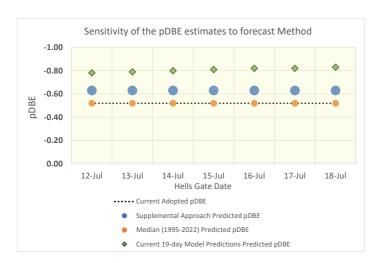
		Current Temperatures				
Upriver of Slide	Map#	26-Jul	Daily Mean	Historic Mean	Deviation from Historical Mean	Historic Year Range
		Fraser River Mainstem				
	1	Fraser River @ Qualark	19.4	18.0	1.4	1991-2020
	2	Fraser River @ Texas Creek	18.7	17.6	1.1	2006-2022
	3	Fraser River @ Big Bar Creek	NA	NA	NA	2019-2022
•	4	Fraser River @ Marguerite	17.7	16.9	0.8	2015-2022
•	5	Upper Fraser @ Shelley	15.7	14.9	0.8	1994-2022
		Fraser River Tributaries				
	6	Thompson R. @ Ashcroft	20.1	17.2	2.9	1995-2022
	7	South Thompson @ Chase	19.1	18.5	0.6	1994-2022
	8	North Thompson @ McLure	16.6	14.6	2.0	2006-2022
•	9	Quesnel R. @ Quesnel	17.1	15.2	1.9	2000-2022
•	10	Nechako R. @ Isle Pierre	NA	19.0	NA	2006-2022
•	11	Stuart R. @ Ft. St. James	17.9	18.5	-0.6	2000-2022



## Early Stuart pDBE Forecast and Sensitivity Analysis for July 28, 2023

Based on the retrospective analysis evaluation of 2010-2021 for Early Stuart the best performing in-season model is the Supplemental Approach



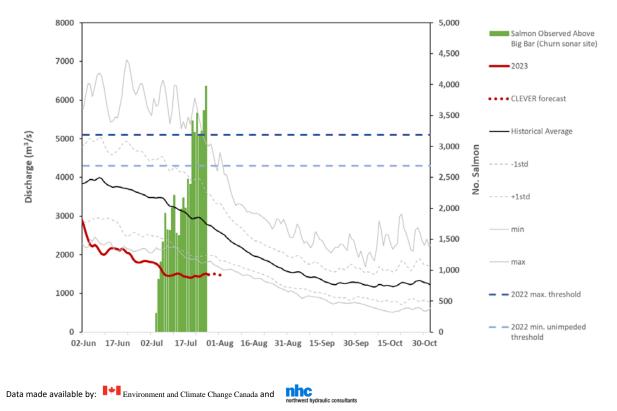


		d on "In-season pD	BE Approach"				
Retrospectiv	ve				Best	2	3
							Current 19-
				Current	Supplemental	Median	day Model
				Adopted	Approach	(1995-2022)	Predictions
	Hells Gate	Average	Average			Predicted	Predicted
Area 20 Date	Date	Temperature <sup>o</sup> C	Discharge m <sup>3</sup> /s	pDBE	Predicted pDBE	pDBE	pDBE
01-Jul	12-Jul	18.8	2966	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.78
02-Jul	13-Jul	18.9	2930	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.79
03-Jul	14-Jul	19.0	2891	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.80
04-Jul	15-Jul	19.0	2851	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.81
05-Jul	16-Jul	19.1	2809	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.82
06-Jul	17-Jul	19.1	2768	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.82
07-Jul	18-Jul	19.2	2730	-0.52	-0.63	-0.52	-0.83
Implied pMA	•						
07-Jul	18-Jul	19.2	2730	1.08	1.70	1.08	4.88

<sup>\*</sup> Currently adopted timing with updated forecast information (19 observed and 0 forecast days)

## Fraser River Discharge at Big Bar



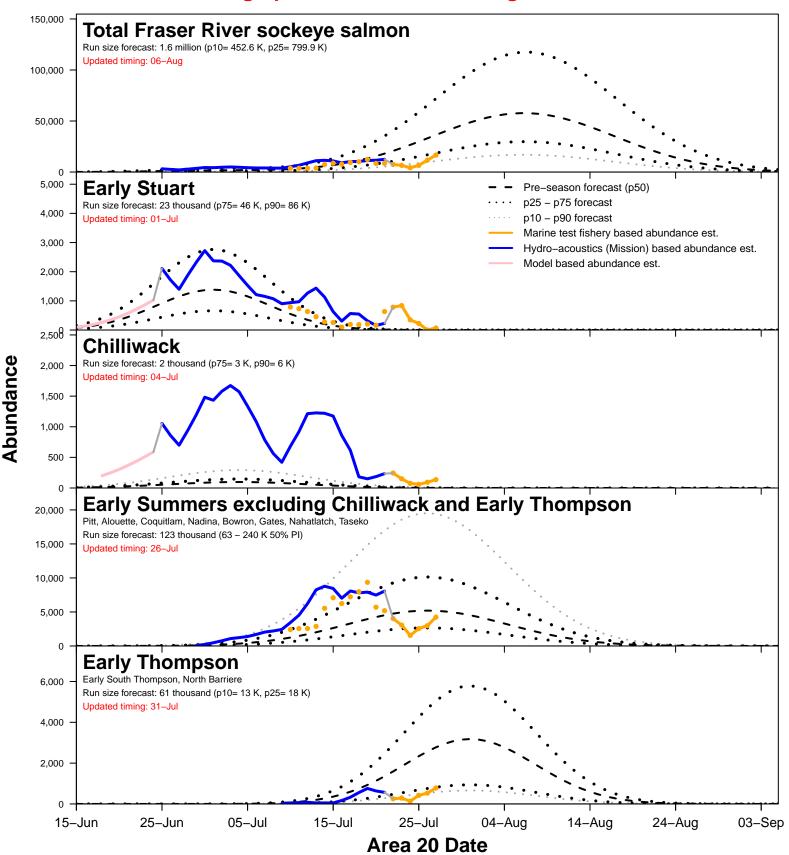


## Migration passage at Big Bar

## **Big Bar Update**

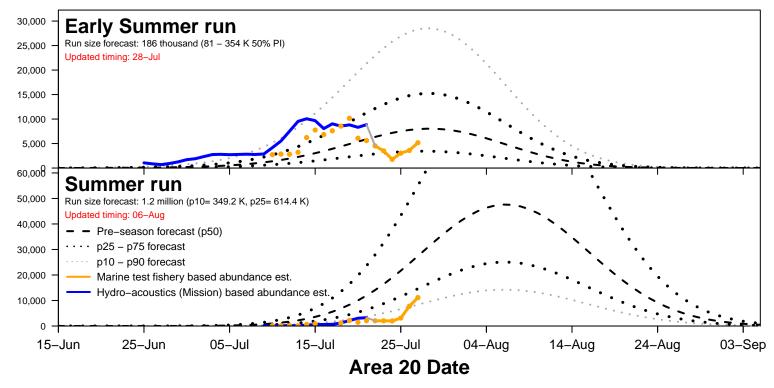
- There have been no upstream migration problems reported at Big Bar.
- A total of 51,522 salmon have been observed 40 km upstream of Big Bar (Churn Creek).
- At total of 64,986 salmon have been observed below Big Bar (Alfalfa).
- The Sonars will run throughout this weekend and the demobilization will take place next week.
- A total of 164 sockeye have been tagged (July 28 is the last day of tagging).

## 2023 Fraser River sockeye salmon daily migration Timing updated based on Timing Correlations



Date: 2023-07-28, Time: 09:48 SW

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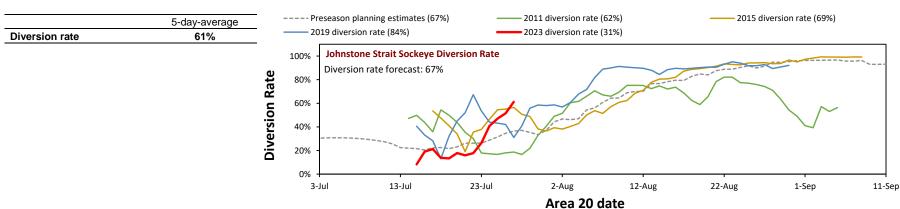
Current date: 28-Jul

## 2023 Fraser River sockeye abundance en-route to Mission

	Escapement		Project	ed abundan	ce en route	to Mission	based on m	arine test fis	hery data <sup>1,2</sup>		Escapement +
Area 20 date	past Mission	22-Jul	23-Jul	24-Jul	25-Jul	26-Jul	27-Jul	Total	80	% PI <sup>3</sup>	projections
Mission date	through 27-Jul	28-Jul	29-Jul	30-Jul	31-Jul	01-Aug	02-Aug	Total	10p	90p	through 02-Aug
Total Fraser	182,200	8,600	5,800	4,800	1,500	12,800	20,200	53,700	30,000	92,200	235,900
Early Stuart	39,900	1,500	600	400	100	0	100	2,700	1,300	5,600	42,600
Early Summer Run	129,900	5,700	3,500	1,000	400	7,400	2,800	20,800	10,200	43,100	150,700
Chilliwack	28,000	200	200	0	0	100	100	600	300	1,200	28,600
Pitt/Alouette/Coquitlam	14,800	1,500	1,000	300	100	1,500	400	4,800	2,400	9,900	19,600
Nadina group <sup>4</sup>	83,900	3,500	2,100	600	300	4,700	1,800	13,000	6,400	26,900	96,900
Early Thompson <sup>5</sup>	3,200	500	200	100	0	1,100	500	2,400	1,200	5,000	5,600
Summer Run	12,100	1,400	1,700	3,000	900	5,200	16,900	29,100	17,800	41,900	41,200
Harrison / Widgeon <sup>2</sup>	1,800	600	500	300	300	900	1,300	3,900	2,400	5,600	5,700
Late Stuart / Stellako	6,700	300	700	1,800	400	2,800	9,400	15,400	9,400	22,200	22,100
Chilko / Quesnel	3,500	200	300	900	200	1,500	6,200	9,300	5,700	13,400	12,800
Raft / North Thompson	100	300	200	0	0	0	0	500	300	700	600

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> En route catches are incomplete: catches from present and future fisheries must be deducted from projections and added to the catches removed

## 2023 Fraser River sockeye diversion rates through Johnstone Strait



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Projected abundances en route to Mission include Harrison and Late runs, an uncertain number of which are expected to delay

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> 80% Probabability Interval: there exists an 80% chance that the true abundance lies within this interval

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Nadina / Bowron / Gates / Nahatlatch / Taseko

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Early South Thompson / North Barriere

## 2023 Fraser River run size and timing estimates

The information presented on this page has been prepared by PSC Secretariat Staff. All in-season estimates of run size and timing should be considered draft preliminary estimates unless adopted by the Fraser River Panel.

Preseason forecasts, inseason estimates, and official estimates of run size and associated timing

				Run	Size			Rur	size compone	ents	Run Timing <sup>1</sup>						
	Inseason Adopted	Preseason Forecast	Insea	son estimate	ite Inseason 80% PIs <sup>2</sup> Method		Method	Catch + Escapement	6-day	Seaward Abundance	Inseason Adopted	Preseason Forecast	Inseason estimate	Inseason	80% Pls²	Method	
	Adopted Foreca				10% PI	90% PI		Liscapement	Frojection	Abundance	Adopted	rorecast	estillate	10% PI	90% PI		
Early Stuart Run	NA	23,000	•	43,000	42,000	44,000	Recon	40,000	3,000	0	NA	07-Jul	02-Jul	02-Jul	03-Jul	Recon	
Early Summer Run	NA	186,000						132,000	43,000		NA	06-Aug					
Chilliwack		2,000	<	29,000	28,000	29,000	Recon	28,000	1,000	0		20-Jul	04-Jul	04-Jul	04-Jul	Recon	
Pitt/Nadina Group⁴		123,000	<b>A</b>	186,000	124,000	265,000	Model	100,000	40,000	46,000		05-Aug	21-Jul	17-Jul	25-Jul	Model	
Early Thompson⁵		61,000						4,000	2,000			09-Aug	31-Jul			Timing Corr.	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Run timing refers to the date when 50% of the run migrated past the Area 20 reference point.

#### Run Size Uncertainty Legend<sup>T</sup>

✓ ≥95% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. Clear indication of run size; minor run size updates still expected

≥ 70% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. Good indication of run size; peak fo the run has been observed at Mission, uncertainty relates to seaward abundance

▲ ≥50% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. Decent indication of run size; ≥ 50% confirmed at Mission

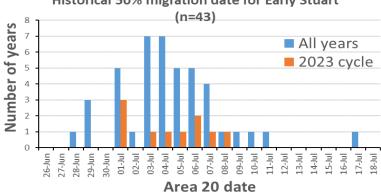
< 50% of the run size has been accounted for in catch + escapement. Uncertain or early indication of run size based on marine data

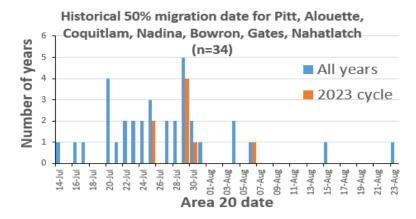
Methods for run size & timing estimation

Model Run size assessment model (median)

Recon Catch + escapement + 6-day test fish projection + model seaward projection

#### Historical 50% migration date for Early Stuart





<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> 80% Probability Interval: there exists an 80% chance that the true abundance lies within this interval

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Normally based on test fishery data. Based on Model if Method = Recon(2).

 $<sup>^4\,</sup>$  Pitt / Alouette / Coquitlam / Nadina / Bowron / Gates / Nahatlatch / Taseko

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Early South Thompson / North Barriere.

<sup>†</sup> The Run Size Uncertainty Indicator is a categorical indication of the degree of uncertainty present in the run size estimate. Estimates are categorized quantitatively based on the proportion of the run that has been accounted for with high certainty in catch + escapement