

Friday, July 25, 2025

The Fraser River Panel met Friday, July 25 to receive an update on the migration of Fraser River sockeye salmon and review the status of migration conditions in the Fraser River watershed.

The marine purse seine test fisheries began July 24 and 25 in Area 12 and 20, respectively. It is currently estimated that 734,600 sockeye have passed the Mission hydroacoustics site.

On July 24 the discharge of the Fraser River at Hope was 3,250 cms, which is approximately 33% below the average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Qualark on July 24 was 19.6°C, which is 1.9°C above the average for this date. Fraser River discharge levels, water temperatures and migration conditions in the Chilcotin River 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, July 29, 2025.