

Thursday, September 8, 2011

The Fraser River Panel met Thursday, September 8, 2011 to receive an update on the migration of the Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon.

At the meeting today the Panel adopted an Early Summer run size of 570,000 sockeye, a Summer run size of 1,550,000 sockeye, a Birkenhead run size of 325,000 sockeye and a Harrison run size of 1,000,000 sockeye. There were no changes to the Adams / Weaver run-size of 1,000,000 sockeye.

There was no change to the Pink salmon pre-season forecast run size of 17,000,000 fish. Monitoring of the migration of Fraser River pink salmon continues.

The Panel announced the following regulations for Panel Area waters:

CANADIAN FRASER RIVER PANEL AREA WATERS:

As previously announced: Area 29 – 1 to 6: Area H troll continues until further notice. **(Please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

As previously announced: Area 18-1, 18-4, 18-11: Area H troll continues until further notice. **(Please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

As previously announced: Area 29-3, -4, -6, 29-7, 29-9: Portions of these subareas open to Area B seine from 06:00 am to 09:00 pm daily Wednesday, September 7, 2011 and Thursday, September 8, 2011, for the retention of pink salmon only. (Note: This fishery will be monitored closely and could close on short notice, **please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

Area 29-3, -4, -6, 29-7, 29-9, and 29-10: Portions of these subareas open to Area B seine from 06:00 am to 09:00 pm Friday, September 9, 2011, for the retention of pink salmon only. (Note: This fishery will be monitored closely and could close on short notice, **please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

UNITED STATES FRASER RIVER PANEL AREA WATERS:

TREATY INDIAN FISHERY:

As previously announced: Areas 4B, 5 and 6C: Extend for drift gillnets from 12:00 p.m. (noon) Wednesday, September 7, 2011 through 9:00 a.m. Friday, September 9, 2011.

As previously announced: Areas 6, 7, and 7A: Open to net fishing from 5:00 a.m. Wednesday, September 7, 2011 until 9:00 a.m. Friday, September 9, 2011, in the area southerly and easterly of a straight line drawn from Iwersen's dock on Point Roberts in the State of Washington to the Georgina Point Light at the entrance to Active Pass in the Province of British Columbia.

NON-TREATY FISHERY:

Remains closed to fishing.

The next in-season meeting of the Panel is scheduled to occur on Friday, September 9, 2011.