

Monday, August 29, 2011

The Fraser River Panel met Monday, August 29, 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 500,000 sockeye, the Summer run size of 1,450,000 sockeye. There were no changes to the run-sizes of the other management groups.

On August 28<sup>th</sup> the Fraser River water discharge at Hope was approximately 4,836 cms, which is about 70% higher than average for this date. The temperature of the Fraser River at Qualark Creek on August 28<sup>th</sup> was 16.4 °C, which is 0.1°C warmer than average for this date.

Monitoring of the migration of Fraser River pink salmon continues. The diversion rate of Fraser River pink salmon is currently estimated to be 50%.

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).**

**Revised:** Area 29-9, 29-11 to 29-17: Open to Area E gillnet from 13:00 hr Tuesday, August 30, 2011 until 19:00 hr Tuesday, August 30, 2011. **(Please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

**Revised:** Area 29-15 to 29-17, and portion of 29-13: Limited effort, Chinook targeted fishery; **Please refer to DFO Fishery Notice FN0815 for further details**

Area 29-6, 29-7, 29-9: Open to Area B seine from 06:00 am to 09:00 pm daily from Wednesday August 31, 2011 to Friday, September 2, 2011. **(Please refer to DFO Fishery Notices for further details).**

**UNITED STATES FRASER RIVER PANEL AREA WATERS:**

**TREATY INDIAN FISHERY:**

Areas 4B, 5 and 6C: Extend for drift gillnets from 12:00 p.m. (noon) Tuesday, August 30, 2011 through 12:00 p.m. (noon) Friday, September 2, 2011.

Areas 6, 7, and 7A: Open to net fishing from 5:00 a.m. until 11:59 p.m. (midnight) Tuesday, August 30, 2011.

**NON-TREATY FISHERY:**

Areas 7 and 7A: Open to reeffnets with non-retention of sockeye from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Tuesday, August 30, 2011, Wednesday, August 31, 2011 and Thursday, September 1, 2011.

## **REVISED**

Areas 7 and 7A: Open to gillnets with non-retention of sockeye from 8:00 a.m. to 11:59 p.m. (midnight) Wednesday, August 31, 2011.

Areas 7 and 7A: Open to purse seines with non-retention of sockeye from 5:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. Wednesday, August 31, 2011.

The next in-season meeting of the Panel is scheduled to occur on Thursday, September 1, 2011.