

FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

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As of Monday July 9th, the chum fishery at AFK has harvested 2.4 million pounds of chum salmon. The fishery ending July 6th, harvested a total of 166,385 pounds of chum with a 7.1 pound average.

Pink salmon harvest was 1,200 pounds during the last opener.

Wally Noerenberg Hatchery:

As of Monday July 9th, the common property chum harvest in the Coghill district totaled 14.2 million pounds totaling 1,670,628 fish. The opener ending on July 26th, harvested 1.1 million pounds of chums.

Cost recovery for chums was completed in 10 fishing days, with a harvest of 267,386 chum salmon totaling 2,545,432 pounds.

PWSAC began egg take on the 5th, egg takes are going slow as fish have been slow to move into the brood pond. To date 21 million eggs have been collected. Brood collection continues as fish are moving behind the barrier seine at a rate equal to the fish used during egg take. It's estimated 70,000 fish have been collected behind the barrier seine. Another 20,000 fish are estimated within the HEEZ, fish have surveys in the THA and SHA have been difficult as fish do not appear to be showing.

Main Bay Hatchery:

As of July 9th, there has been a total harvest of 3.36 million pounds of sockeye and 999,961 pounds of chum. The opener ending on July 6th, harvested 196,394 pounds of sockeye and 29,629 pounds of chum with a 4.3 pound average for sockeye and 8.6 pound average for chums.

PWSAC has completed brood collection. All sockeye necessary have been secured in the brood pond. The barrier seine will be removed, currently staff is targeting removal on Wednesday if weather will allow.

The next scheduled announcement will be on Thursday, July 12th.