FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

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As of Thursday July 12th, the chum fishery at AFK has harvested 2.6 million pounds of chum salmon. The fishery ending July 10th, harvested a total of 154,087 pounds of chum with a 7.6 pound average.

Pink salmon harvest was 444 pounds during the last opener.

Wally Noerenberg Hatchery:

As of Thursday July 12th, the common property chum harvest in the Coghill district totaled 14.8 million pounds totaling 1,744,160 fish. The opener ending on July 10th harvested 558,275 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 46 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. Fish surveys in the THA and SHA have been difficult as fish do not appear to be showing. To date 71,000 fish have been used for brood collection.

Main Bay Hatchery:

As of July 12th, there has been a total harvest of 3.8 million pounds of sockeye and 1 million pounds of chum. The opener ending on July 10th, harvested 177,488 pounds of sockeye and 50,666 pounds of chum with a 4.2 pound average for sockeye and 7.5 pound average for chums.

PWSAC has completed brood collection. All sockeye necessary have been secured in the brood pond. The barrier seine has been removed.

The next scheduled announcement will be on Monday, July 16th .