FISHERIES ANNOUNCEMENT

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PWSAC Announcement #3 Thursday, June 21, 2018

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As of Wednesday, June 21st , the chum fishery at AFK has harvested 1.1 million pounds of chum salmon. The fishery began on the June 1st with modest harvests. There have been six openers with the most recent opener harvesting a majority of the year to date harvest.

The female percentage from the last opener at AFK was 34% with an 8 pound average.

Wally Noerenberg Hatchery:

As of Wednesday, June 21st, PWSAC has completed cost recovery with a harvest of 267,386 chum salmon for a total of 2,545,432 pounds completing our cost recovery goal in a total of 10 fishing days.

The most recent age compositions available from ADFG indicate the common property fishery harvest was comprised of 13% six-year old, 63% five-year old, 16% four-year old and 8% three-year old.

The common property chum harvest in the Coghill district as of June 21st has harvested 3.2 million pounds totaling 378,012 fish.

As of June 21st, PWSAC has not collected any brood stock. PWSAC is focusing on collecting brood stock and has lowered the barrier seine and will be watching for fish entry. PWSAC needs to collect 201,000 chum salmon for brood stock.

Main Bay Hatchery:

As of June 21th, there have been six commercial openers resulting in a total harvest of 1.2 million pounds of sockeye and 424,000 pounds of chum. Fish size for sockeye increase slightly with a 4.7 pound average, while chum averaged 8 pounds.

The next scheduled announcement will be at 1 PM on Monday June 25th.