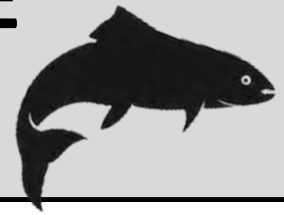


BIG BAR LANDSLIDE UPDATE

AUGUST 31, 2019



Incident Webpage

BC River Forecast

- For the first time, sockeye salmon are confirmed to have been able to swim past the landslide using restored passageways. A section of fish ladder was successfully installed as a portion of restored channel. Ongoing rock manipulation contributed to improving the passage.
- Rock scalers will begin working to install an anchor point on the east wall of the canyon. This will facilitate further work to restore the natural passageway. BC Wildfire Service crews will work to construct helipads on the east bank of the river to assist with the anchors.
- Crews conducted successful test runs of the new road using a five-tonne truck carrying two tanks. Processes such as turnarounds, loading and unloading were assessed and honed. Ground transport of salmon could be incorporated into operations as early as today.
- A feasibility assessment is underway looking at the possibility of a second road to the base of the slide that would further increase access to the area.
- The possibility of moving specialized heavy machinery—a spider excavator—to the base of the slide appears promising. Having this equipment available would be highly beneficial to efforts to restore the natural passage.



Rock scalers have further opened the passageway. Sockeye salmon are now successfully making their way past the slide.



Crews continue fishing efforts to move salmon upstream by helicopter. More than 50,000 fish have been transported to date.

Salmon Transported by Helicopter



Daily Total		Total to Date	
Sockeye: 2,289	Chinook: 143	Sockeye: 43,636	Chinook: 8,263
Coho: —	Pink: 11	Coho: 3	Pink: 41

