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Yukon River Chinook Spawning Goal Unlikely to be Met this Year

The in-season counts from Eagle Sonar, located in Alaska near the Yukon border, indicate that it is highly unlikely that the lower end of the Chinook spawning escapement goal (42,500 to 55,000) will be met this year. The current Eagle estimate was 22,418 adult Chinook (up to August 2). The average estimate for this date is 49,135 and the previous minimum was 24,409.

As such, the Yukon Salmon Sub-Committee has recommending that all First Nations on the Yukon River and its tributaries implement additional measures to conserve Chinook Salmon.

Should you require further information or clarification please contact Elizabeth MacDonald, Executive Director of the YSSC, at 867- 393- 6725.

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