

## **SITUATION UPDATE – COOKE AQUACULTURE**

*Friday, Sept. 8*

On Friday, Cooke crews working with a salvage contractor and a waste removal contractor, disposed of the final three stock nets from Cypress Farm Site 2 following inspection by the company and appropriate state agencies.

The disposal effort began at 8am Friday and was completed in 3.5 hours. Nets were offloaded directly into waste disposal trucks, covered with a roll-top tarp and hauled directly to a waste transfer station.

The company's final count on fish removed from the damaged structure is 145,851. This includes 5,166 fish that were harvested before the major damage occurred on Aug. 20. In addition, Cooke crews captured 388 escaped Atlantic salmon using beach seines under an emergency permit issued by the Department of Fish and Wildlife.

Daily water quality sampling shows no irregularities compared with ambient samples taken up and downstream from the site. These results are shared daily with the appropriate government agencies.

Tribal, commercial, and recreational fishers who recapture Atlantic salmon from the site are asked to voluntarily report catch numbers and locations online  
here:[http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/salmon/atlantic\\_catch\\_map.php](http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/salmon/atlantic_catch_map.php)