

SITUATION UPDATE – COOKE AQUACULTURE

Sunday, Sept. 3

On Sunday, Cooke Aquaculture crews continued to deconstruct damaged net pen array two, removing a third anchor and the tenth and final cage net from the wreckage.

Walkways that were removed on Saturday were prepared and split to 40 foot lengths for lifting by the crane barge.

Fish recovery continued as the final net was removed.

Water quality samples are being conducted daily at locations up current, adjacent to, and down current from the farm site - and show no adverse effects. Sampling results are being provided daily to the Unified Incident Command.

Tribal, commercial, and recreational fishers continue to recapture fish that escaped the enclosure and Washington's Department of Fish and Wildlife is collecting data on those catches.

Catches can be reported online here: http://wdfw.wa.gov/fishing/salmon/atlantic_catch_map.php