

## **SITUATION UPDATE – COOKE AQUACULTURE**

*Tuesday, Sept. 12*

On Tuesday, Sept. 12, Cooke crews were continuing to remove and store the materials from the damaged Cypress Island Farm Site 2 for inspection by state agencies and tribal governments. All of the walkway structures and the 10 stock nets have been removed from the water.

The predator barrier net, which encircled the farm site, is still being removed from the water and loaded onto a barge for disposal. That work is more than half completed. Once the net is fully removed, a disposal plan will be executed involving a waste removal contractor using multiple trucks in order to expedite the disposal process.

Plans call for side sonar scanning of the area to determine the precise location of any remaining gear that needs to be removed by divers.

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.

Anyone catching Atlantic salmon believed to be escaped from the farm site is 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)