SITUATION UPDATE – COOKE AQUACULTURE

Thursday, Sept. 14

On Thursday, Sept. 14, Cooke crews finished removing the Cypress Farm Site 2 predator barrier net from the water and loaded it onto the deck of a service barge where it will be available for inspection by state agencies before disposal.

A side scan sonar was deployed and two items were identified for inspection and retrieval. That work is expected to be carried out Friday.

Crews continue to remove the site's anchors.

The offload and disposal of equipment removed from the water and stored on the barge is expected to commence early next week – Monday or Tuesday.

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