

## SITUATION UPDATE – COOKE AQUACULTURE

*Sunday, Sept. 24*

Working toward a deadline of Sunday, Sept. 24, to have all equipment removed from the collapsed Cypress Island Farm Site 2, Cooke Aquaculture Pacific and a salvage contractor spent the weekend continuing to scan the area for small pieces of gear.

The salvage operations have been successful and the sea bed appears clean and clear of farm equipment, however, the company will continue to monitor the area to ensure no equipment has been left behind. Thorough inspections of the sea bottom will continue this week.

There is some chain and three or four anchors that were too heavy for a smaller crane barge to remove last week. They will be removed by a larger crane on Monday. On Sunday, the crew buoyed this equipment and prepared it so it is ready for retrieval. The company asked for an extension to achieve this, as the larger crane barge will be available on Monday afternoon.