## **BIG BAR LANDSLIDE UPDATE**

**SEPTEMBER 16, 2019** 

Incident Webpage

BC River Forecast

- With seasonal changes and shorter operational periods over the coming weeks the focus is currently forward planning while maintaining operations.
  Sockeye, Chinook, Pink and Coho salmon continue to achieve natural passage through the slide site. A contingency plan outlining Pink salmon transport triggers is currently in place, should it be required.
- Yesterday, rock scalers made good progress on both the east and west river banks. They continue to work on rock manipulation on the west bank as well as ensuring site safety by removing loose debris on both banks. Rock scaling operations will continue today, pending weather conditions and responder safety.
- Throughout the incident, drone footage has been collected. The bird's eye view helps the Environmental Unit monitor fish passage channels. Extensive drone footage will be collected over the coming days to help support forward planning.
- Going forward, these operational updates will no longer be provided on a daily basis. Instead, updates will be issued every second day.



Rock scalers work at the bottom of the west canyon wall and manipulate rock at river level to maximize successful passage of salmon.



Mike Hawkshaw, Program Head for the Fraser Sockeye and Pink Analytic Program, narrates a drone footage compilation of the Big Bar Landslide. Watch the video here: <u>Big Bar Landslide</u>, <u>Drone Overview July 26 – September 12</u>

Video edited by <u>Trevor Mack</u>, an award-winning Tsilhqot'in nation filmmaker from the interior of British Columbia, Canada.

## FISH SWIMMING PAST THE LANDSLIDE (estimated)

Latest daily total: 5,600 Total to date: 187,000





