BIG BAR LANDSLIDE UPDATE

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Checking a radio tag prior to affixing it to a salmon.

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Attaching a radio tag to monitor the fish.

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- Crews will be radio-tagging salmon today downstream of the landslide in Lillooet. Radio-tagging is ongoing to monitor the movement, behaviour and health of the salmon.
- Helicopters had a productive day of sluicing the canyon wall to clear loose rock and other debris yesterday. Rock scalers were not able to work due to poor weather and sluicing operations. Scaling work will resume today if conditions are safe.
- Crews conducted maintenance on the fish wheels, as well as mending nets, completing inventories of equipment and other "house-keeping" work.
- Planning and engineering assessments continue to investigate the
 possibility of building a road to the base of the slide as water levels drop.
 This would significantly enhance access to facilitate the restoration of the
 natural passage. All site work is done in consultation with First Nations
 archaeological monitors and an archaeologist.
- The Incident Management Team continues to hone strategies for the largescale arrival of Pink salmon, expected later this week. While data suggests Pinks are successfully swimming past the slide so far, crews are prepared to resume transport by air and ground if required.



Salmon making their way upstream past the landslide.

FISH SWIMMING PAST THE LANDSLIDE (estimated)

Latest daily total: 7,062 Total to date: 154,678





