

U.S. Porcupine River Management Summary

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Fishing Branch River Fall Chum Salmon Projection

- Based on a drainagewide Yukon River inseason projection of less than 450,000 fall chum salmon.
 - Canadian-origin Fishing Branch River projection of less than 18,000 fall chum salmon.
 - IMEG 22,000 to 49,000 fish would likely not be achieved.
- Subsistence salmon fishing in the U.S. portion of Porcupine River was expected to be closed.

Fall Season Management Actions

- No commercial salmon fishing in the U.S.
- Subsistence fall chum salmon fishing closed in Yukon River drainage.
 - Porcupine River drainage closed for entire season.

Assessment

- Escapement monitored at Fishing Branch River weir.
- 2020 total fall chum salmon run, and Fishing Branch River escapement was the lowest on record back to 1974.

Questions?

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