Pacific Salmon Foundation

SEHAB Roundtable February 3 2025

- 1. 856 Community Salmon Program projects were funded over the course of the 2020-2024 DFO-CSP Stamp Agreement, and end-of-term reporting is underway. Staff are reviewing and finalizing all final reports. PSF is currently in the midst of negotiating the renewal of the DFO-CSP Stamp Agreement for 2025-2029, which is expected to be resolved before final approvals in early April.
- 2. PSF-funded marine and estuarine habitat restoration projects are being integrated into PSF's Community Salmon Restoration Atlas, under development by the Marine Science team. This is being developed in concert with DFO's and will serve as a centralized project registry. SEHAB will be contacted to provide thoughts on ease of use and utility of this tool for volunteer stewards as development continues.
- 3. Community groups with BCSRIF and AISPF (Aquatic Invasive Species Prevention Fund) grants approaching their end dates are seeking operational support for PSF-adjacent and PSF-supported activities including BCCF's Community Flow Monitoring Network and the early detection and monitoring for green crab program.
- 4. PSF's Salmon Watersheds Program has release a new report titled The Status of Pacific Salmon and Their Habitats in the Northern Transboundary Region, which provides an overview of status and trends for 44 Conservation Units and identify key habitat threats to across six transboundary river basins in northern BC and the Yukon (Alsek, Chilkat, Taku, Whiting, Stikine, and Unuk rivers). All data and assessments are available on the Pacific Salmon Explorer.
- **5. Hatchery Accessibility Program** in partnership with the Rick Hansen Foundation and piloted with Mossom Creek Hatchery. PSF deploying a funding pot to accommodate assessments and select improvements. Seymour Hatchery was issued a grant to begin accessible improvements but will need several years to complete modifications to spec.
- **6. PSF's State of Salmon Report:** The State of Pacific salmon is a broad-scale evaluation of the state of all six species of Pacific salmon found in BC and the Yukon. The State of Salmon provides clarity on the key question, "how are salmon doing?" by comparing current salmon abundance to a long-term average and by examining short- and long-term trends.

7. PSF is supporting/co-hosting a **6-PPDQ Workshop** in Nanaimo May 8-9 (date and location tentative) following on the work of last spring's workshop in partnership with BCCF.