



## INCIDENT NAME

Big Bar Landslide

## INCIDENT LOCATION

North of Big Bar on the Fraser River

## DATE PREPARED

August 2, 2019



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## UPDATES

- Unified Command is asking the public to refrain from entering areas near the landslide site. When the public enters an area of operation, they put themselves, our crews and others at risk. The top priority of the Unified Command is the safety of our personnel and the public. These incursions by members of the public not only pose a safety issue, but also slow our efforts to clear the slide.
- Highly skilled experts completed a controlled blast on-site yesterday. The blast operation successfully increased the amount of material available for boulder manipulation on the rivers edge. A subsequent blast is planned for this Sunday.
- The Kitsumkalum fish wheel was deployed yesterday, and was towed into position by the fish wheel crew and river specialist boats. Testing and calibration of the fish wheel will be undertaken today. Full operation of the wheel is expected to commence tomorrow.
- Today's weather forecast could hinder operations as there are showers and a 30% chance of thunderstorms being predicted. This has the potential to interfere with air operations and pose a safety risk to scaling personnel.
- As anticipated, the number of salmon counted by the Big Bar acoustic monitoring equipment continues to increase daily due to their natural migration up the Fraser River.
- The capture and transport operations continue to ramp up and remain successful. As of today approximately 3100 Sockeye and Chinook salmon have been transported upstream from the slide.



Fish capture crews receive a safety briefing at a beach seining site.



River specialist boats towing the Fish Wheel in to position.