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Copper River In-Season Salmon Teleconference Summary

August 7th, 2025, 11 AM

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Kelsey Stanbro
Jim Simon

NPS-

Amber Cohen

ADFG-

Tracy Hansen-
Glennallen

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Key Updates:

- **Tracy Hansen, ADFG- Sonar Counts (Miles Lake – ended July 28):**
 - 4,900 king salmon
 - 10,700 sockeye salmon
- **Sport Fishing:** Catch-and-release king salmon fishing open until **August 10**.
- **Amber Cohen, NPS- Permits:**
 - 566 permits issued for the upper Copper River District (above average).
 - Subsistence effort tapering off as focus shifts toward moose season.
- **Kelsey Stanbro, AITRC- Health Assessment:**
 - Positive salmon health results so far.
 - One dip net charter in Chitina completed; two more are operating until **August 16**.
 - Fish beginning to turn red; many fish wheels are being pulled.
- **Subsistence Reports:**
 - High river levels are affecting some fish wheels.
 - Example shared of a fish wheel stuck due to a large tree in the river.

Next Meetings:

- **August 14** – Final teleconference
- **August 28** – Final in-person teleconference & potluck lunch at Tazlina Community Hall