Alaska Hatchery-Wild Salmon Interaction study

In 2011, the Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) organized a science panel composed of current and retired scientists from ADF&G, University of Alaska, aquaculture associations, and National Marine Fisheries Service, to discuss ways to systematically evaluate interactions of wild and hatchery produced salmon in Alaska. The science panel designed a long-term research project to potentially answer some of the questions. A study plan was prepared, and ADF&G solicited proposals from entities interested in conducting a research program to address interaction of wild and hatchery pink and chum salmon in PWS and SEAK. Prince William Sound Science Center (PWSSC), in conjunction with Sitka Sound Science Center (SSSC), submitted the successful proposal and the contract was approved to conduct a portion of this project. Work on this project began in the summer of 2012.

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