

# Wet'suwet'en Fisheries

2004 Summary

# Retained Salmon in Moricetown Canyon

- Chinook: 1146
- Coho: 394
- Pink: 1821
- Sockeye 246

# Mark and Recapture program

- Estimated Sockeye population: 6,500
- Estimated Coho population: 25,000

# Nanika Agreement

- Commercial fishermen donated 8,000 sockeye to the Wet'suwet'en
- The Wet'suwet'en conserved sockeye in return for the donated sockeye

# Conservation concerns

- Nanika and Morice sockeye runs have declined from 65,000 in 1995 to 6,500 in 2004
- There is a genetically distinct run in the upper Bulkley. Approximately 20 sockeye were caught at the Houston fence. SARA concern?