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1.0 Introduction

Terra Nova River is the fourth largest river on the island of Newfoundland. Beginning in the early 1900's various initiatives have been undertaken to expand accessible habitat and increase the river's Atlantic salmon population. Permanent infrastructure now includes fishways at Grant Falls (11 km from the ocean), Terra Nova River Falls (22 km from the ocean) and Mollyguajeck Falls (56 km from the ocean).

Between 1985 and 2002 the Terra Nova-Alexander Bay Development Association in partnership with the Department of Fisheries and Oceans undertook a salmon enhancement program to establish a salmon population in the watershed above Mollyguajeck Falls, which until 1985 had been largely inaccessible for salmon migration. This section of river contains approximately sixty percent of the river's spawning capacity above Grant Falls (Bourgeois, 2002). Initially the enhancement program involved the construction of a fishway around Mollyguajeck Falls, then the transfer of 1,412 spawners from the lower river to locations above Mollyguajeck, and finally between 1995 and 2002, the release of 2.5 million salmon fry incubated at a hatchery in Terra Nova in various locations of the upper watershed.

The 2020 Mollyguajeck project was the fifth year since 2015 that the Freshwater-Alexander Bays Ecosystem Corporation has conducted a salmon count to evaluate the extent to which the 1985-2002 salmon enhancement program was successful in establishing a base population in the upper Terra Nova River. The project had two main goals:

- (1) To assess the effectiveness of the Mollyguajeck fishway in accommodating the passage of salmon around Mollyguajeck falls.
- (2) To determine the extent to which the upper Terra Nova River has been colonized with a natural spawning population relative to its habitat capacity.

Previous projects were undertaken in 2015, 2016, 2018, and 2019. The following is a summary of the findings from those projects.

- The 2015 project counted only 297 salmon through the Mollyguajeck fishway as compared to 329 in 2001 - 14 years earlier. However a positive outcome of this project was the identification of a serious deficiency with the fishway during low river conditions. For six weeks after mid-August, there was not enough water in the fishway to allow salmon passage. The project report for that year recommended remedial action be taken by DFO to correct the problem.
- Planning for the 2016 project included the transport of 200 bags of sand to the site as a mitigation measure in case the low water conditions experienced in 2015 were repeated. When low water again became a problem, the sandbags were used to

build a makeshift dam to divert more water from the main river flow into the fishway. This was successful in maintaining adequate water levels in the fishway for the remainder of the season. By project end 965 salmon were counted through the fishway – more than triple the 2015 count.

- In 2016 DFO conducted an assessment of the fishway and designed a permanent diversion dam to divert more flow into the fishway during periods of low water. The dam was constructed in 2017.

Exhibit 1 – Fishway Diversion Dam



- The third Mollyguajeck project took place in 2018 and dry conditions similar to 2015 were experienced. The new dam proved effective and water flow in the fishway remained more than sufficient for the entire season. Whereas the trap had dried up completely for weeks in 2015, it never dropped below 35 cm in 2018. The 2018 salmon count was 1,148, almost four times the 2015 count.
- In 2019 there was a record run of 6,607 salmon through the Grant Falls fishway and 1,570 through the Mollyguajeck fishway. This corresponded to relatively high streamflow flow rates with an average 17.4 m³/second over the 13-week season compared to 11.9 in 2015, 18.8 in 2016, 11.7 in 2017 and 11.4 in 2018.

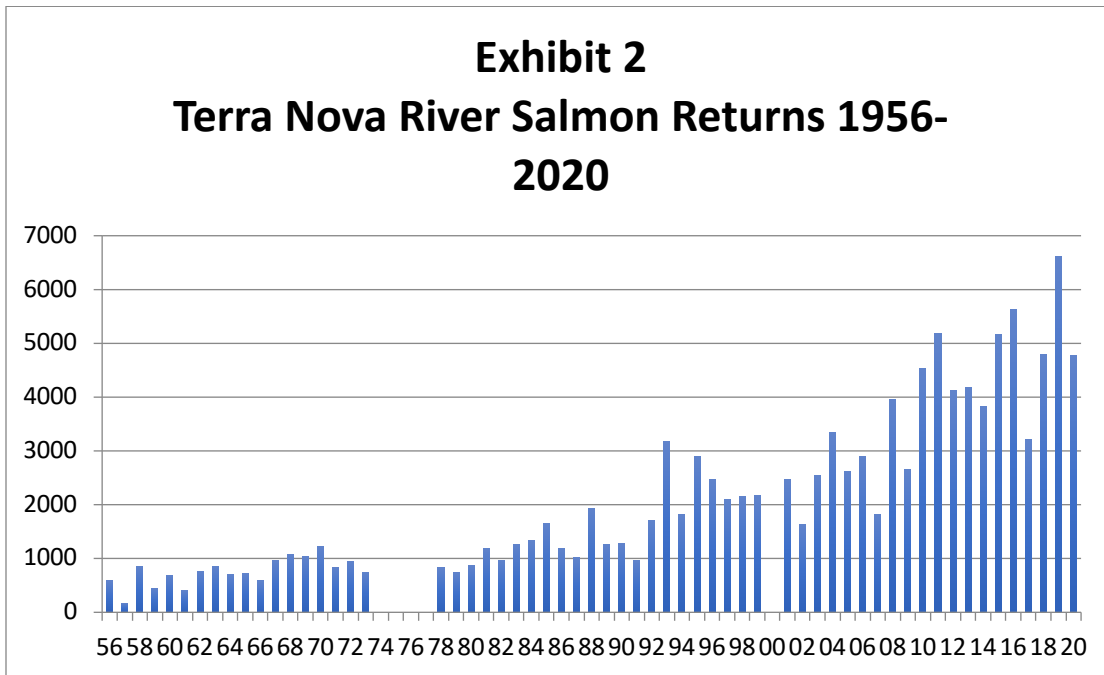
- The conservation requirement for the entire section of Terra Nova River above the Grant Falls is 8,937 salmon returns. Between 2015 and 2019, the conservation level achieved for this watershed ranged from a low of 36.0% (i.e. 3,215/8,937) in 2017 to a high of 73.9% (6,607/8,937) in 2019. While the 2019 run was the highest ever recorded, its conservation level of 73.9% level was well within the Critical zone (<100%) of population health based on DFO criteria. The Cautious zone is classified as 100-150% while the Healthy zone is anything above 150%.
- While spawning escapement to Terra Nova River has improved over time, even 2019's record recruitment fell far short of the river's spawning capacity of 8,937 adult returns. The previous project reports emphasized this point and recommended a continuation of strong salmon conservation measures for the river.

2.0 Project Partners

FABEC would like to thank our partners who made this project possible. Once again our partners included the Atlantic Salmon Conservation Foundation, Terra Nova National Park, DFO Salmonids Section, DFO Regional Headquarters, and Traytown Builders Ltd.

3.0 Terra Nova River Salmon Returns - 1956-2020

Exhibit 2 shows the progression of Atlantic salmon returns to the Terra Nova River since 1956. The count takes place at the Grant Falls fishway located 11 kilometres upstream from the ocean, therefore does not account for salmon that spawn in the lowest section of the main river and in the Maccle's Brook tributary. As the graph shows, the stock has improved severalfold over the period. In 1992 after the moratorium on commercial fishery came into effect, the count was 1,713. The 2020 count of 4,777 was almost three times higher than 1992 while the record 2019 count of 6,607 salmon was four times higher.



In the first ten years of counting operations at Grant Falls (1956-65), the average return was 632 salmon. The first significant increase in returns began after the commercial salmon fishery was closed in 1992, which coincided with the early years of the Terra Nova River salmon enhancement program. In the ten years after the moratorium, the average count was 2,265 – 3.5 times higher than the 1956-65 period. The average count of 4,751 from 2011 to 2020 was 7.5 times higher than the first ten years and more than double the post-moratorium period.

The highest recorded return occurred in 2019 when the count at Grant Falls was 6,607. While the 2020 return of 4,777 was much lower, it was on par with the 2010-19 average of 4,727.

4.0 Counting Operations – 2020

Mollyguajeck is a rustic fishway, which unlike the river’s two other fishways, was originally constructed without built infrastructure. Explosives were used to blast a channel through bedrock. Water flowing through the fishway comes from a side flow off the river’s main channel. It then follows the artificial portion of the fishway into a natural channel lying below the falls, thus creating a bypass route around the falls for salmon to navigate.

The photo in Exhibit 3 shows the location and flow direction of the fishway. The inflow channel receives water from the main river and then turns 90° towards the bottom of the falls. The square in the photo shows where the fish trap was installed. The other channel,

which flows toward the bottom of the photo, previously contained water only when river levels were relatively high. However since the new diversion dam was constructed in 2017, water now flows in this channel throughout the summer. The installation includes a fish fence across this stream to prevent salmon from bypassing the trap.

The photo in Exhibit 4 shows the fishway and Mollyguajeck Falls during high water. The arrows show the flow direction toward the trap and back to the main river flow at the base of Mollyguajeck Falls.

Exhibit 3 – Fishway Location and Water Flow Direction



Exhibit 4 – Water Flow Through the Fishway



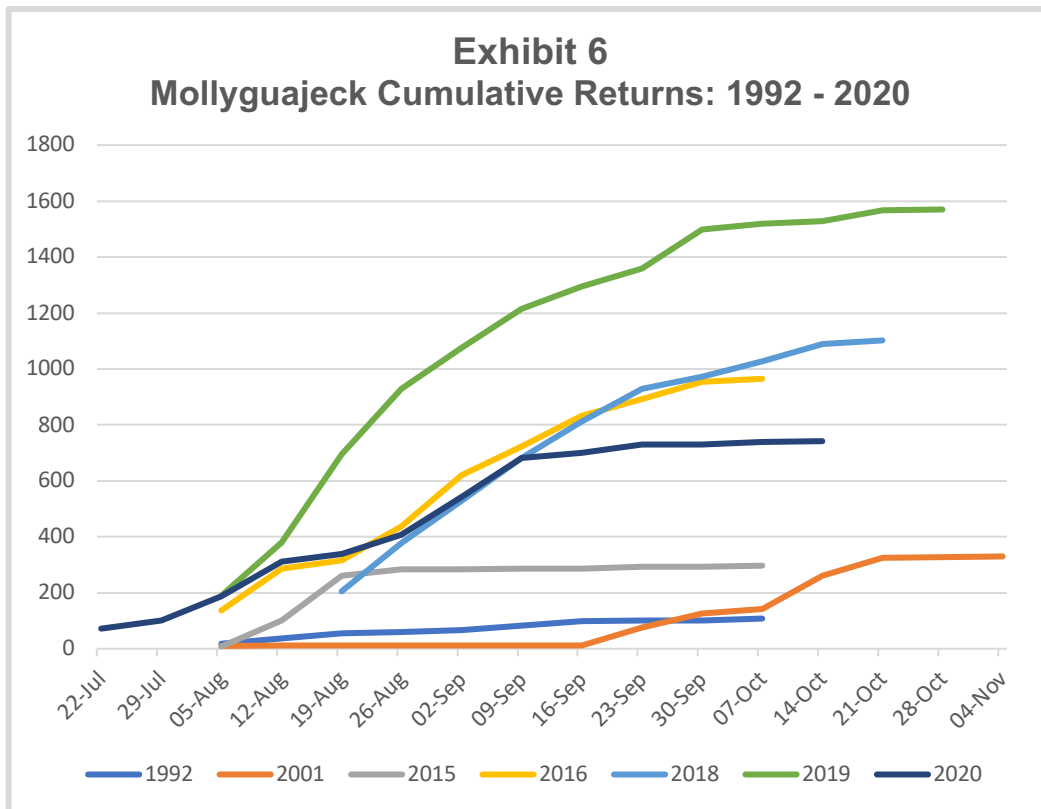
The 2020 counting ran from July 11 (two weeks earlier than previous projects) to October 14. Two interruptions resulted in 15 days of downtime over this period. Two days were lost on July 14-15 due to the illness of an employee. Another 13 days were lost from September 21 to October 3 when high waters caused by a rainstorm created unsafe working conditions. The trap was closed to salmon passage during both downtime periods. In total counting took place for 81 days out of the total 96 days from project start to finish.

As shown in the project log sheet (Appendix A), the average low water depth in the salmon trap over the 81 operating days was 41.7 cm. The lowest recorded depth - 36.5 cm on August 23 – was more than adequate for salmon passage. This corresponds with the findings from 2018 and 2019 that water flow in the fishway is no longer an impediment to salmon passage. The new diversion dam has been proven effective in maintaining adequate water in the fishway during low river conditions.

5.0 Salmon Returns

Exhibit 5 provides 2020 total and weekly salmon returns at Mollyguajeck Falls compared to previous years in which a count took place. Exhibit 6 provides a graphical comparison of cumulative returns in each of these years.

Exhibit 5							
Mollyguajeck Salmon Returns: 1992 - 2020							
Week Ending	1992	2001	2015	2016	2018	2019	2020
22-Jul							72
29-Jul							28
05-Aug	18	10	8	137		190	88
12-Aug	20	2	93	150		190	123
19-Aug	17	0	160	29	205	315	29
26-Aug	5	0	22	121	173	235	68
02-Sep	6	0	0	183	150	146	135
09-Sep	16	0	3	103	155	139	138
16-Sep	17	0	0	109	129	79	20
23-Sep	2	63	7	60	117	65	29
30-Sep	1	51	0	62	44	139	0
07-Oct	6	16	4	11	55	22	8
14-Oct		118			60	8	4
21-Oct		66			14	38	
28-Oct		2			46	4	
04-Nov		2					
Total	108	330	297	965	1148	1570	742
Weekly Average (2001 adjusted)	10.8	23.6 (31.1)	29.7	96.5	104.4	120.8	57.1



In 2020 the Mollyguajeck daily counts were taken on 81 days out of the total 96 days from project start to finish. As the trap remained closed to passage over the downtime periods, it is assumed that the 15 days of downtime had no effect on the final count for the year. As shown in Exhibits 5 and 6, the count of 742 salmon was the lowest since 2015.

Water conditions in 2020 were favourable with an average streamflow at the Glovertown water station of 19.8 m³/second during active counting days. That compares to 11.9m³, 18.7m³, 11.4m³ and 17.4 m³/second in 2015, 2016, 2018, and 2019 respectively. As shown in Appendix A, streamflow fell below 15 m³/second for only 16 days in 2020 as compared to 67 days in 2018 and 49 days in 2019. The results confirm the conclusion from the 2018 and 2019 projects that the new water diversion dam has solved the problem of low water flow as a constraint to salmon passage in the fishway.

The 2020 Mollyguajeck count of 742 salmon represents a reversal of the upwards trend experienced from 2016 to 2019. The count was 35% lower than 2018 and 53% lower than 2019. Relative to the lower fishway, only 15.5% of the salmon that migrated past Grant Falls were counted at Mollyguajeck, which compares to 23.0% in 2018 and 23.8% in 2019.

The overall Mollyguajeck results since 2016 provide compelling evidence that a spawning population of Atlantic salmon is gradually becoming established in the upper watershed.

While 2020 saw a lower number than the previous three counts, it must be remembered that prior to 1985 no salmon at all, except perhaps the odd stray, were able to navigate past Mollyguajeck Falls. Along with the Terra Nova River's strong conservation program, FABEC feels that the enhancement program was a significant factor in the river's population growth since 1985.

This growth was achieved despite the obvious ineffectiveness of Mollyguajeck fishway during years of extended low water conditions. Based on our correlation of streamflow data with fishway water levels, there were a number of years when many - probably most - of the salmon destined for the upper watershed remained stranded below Mollyguajeck Falls due to a lack of water in the fishway.

Based on the three years of operations (2018, 2019 and 2020) since the diversion dam was constructed, FABEC is confident that the fishway itself will no longer be a constraint to salmon migration for as long as the dam remains in place.

6.0 Stock Conditions Versus Conservation Requirements

Exhibits 7 and 8 compare escapement to the 100% conservation baseline for the years 2001 and 2015 to 2020. There was a count at Mollyguajeck Falls in all of those years except 2017. In 2020 salmon escapement on Terra Nova River above Grant Falls achieved 53.5% of conservation with 112.9% being achieved in the middle watershed and 13.9% achieved in the watershed above Mollyguajeck Falls.

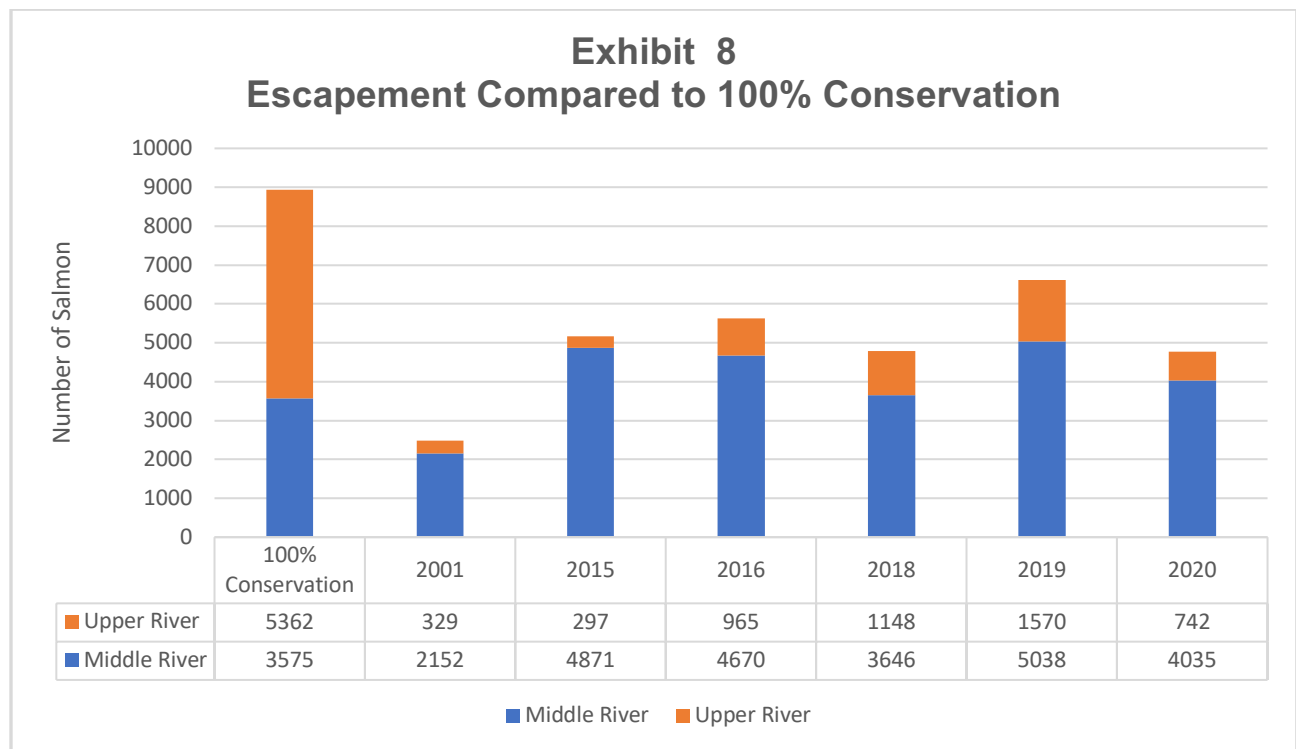
The 53.5% achievement rate for both sections of river compares to a low of 27.8% in 2001 and a high of 73.9% in 2019. While these rates show considerable variation from year to year, average returns in the past decade represent a major increase over previous decades.

In 2015, when a healthy 5,168 fish passed through the lower fishway, only 297 or 5.7% migrated past Mollyguajeck. Whereas 136.3% of conservation was achieved in the middle watershed, only 5.5% was realized in the upper watershed. This imbalance in distribution improved in subsequent years with the conservation level in the upper watershed rising to 18.0% in 2016, 21.4% in 2018, and 29.3% in 2019. However with the lower Mollyguajeck count in 2020, the conservation level fell to 13.9%.

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Exhibit 7 Salmon Escapement Compared to Conservation Requirements				
		Grant Falls to Mollyguajeck	Above Mollyguajeck	Entire River above Grant Falls
Conservation Requirement*		3,575	5,362	8,937
2001	Spawning Escapement	2,152	329	2,481
	Conservation Level Achieved	60.2%	6.1%	27.8%
2015	Spawning Escapement	4,871	297	5,168
	Conservation Level Achieved	136.3%	5.5%	57.8%
2016	Spawning Escapement	4,670	965	5,636
	Conservation Level Achieved	130.6%	18.0%	63.1%
2017	Spawning Escapement	No data collected	No data collected	3,215
	Conservation Level Achieved			36.0%
2018	Spawning Escapement	3,646	1,148	4,794
	Conservation Level Achieved	102.0%	21.4%	53.6%
2019	Spawning Escapement	5,038	1,570	6,607
	Conservation Level Achieved	140.9%	29.3%	73.9%
2020	Spawning Escapement	4,035	742	4,777
	Conservation Level Achieved	112.9%	13.9%	53.5%

* (Bourgeois, 2002)



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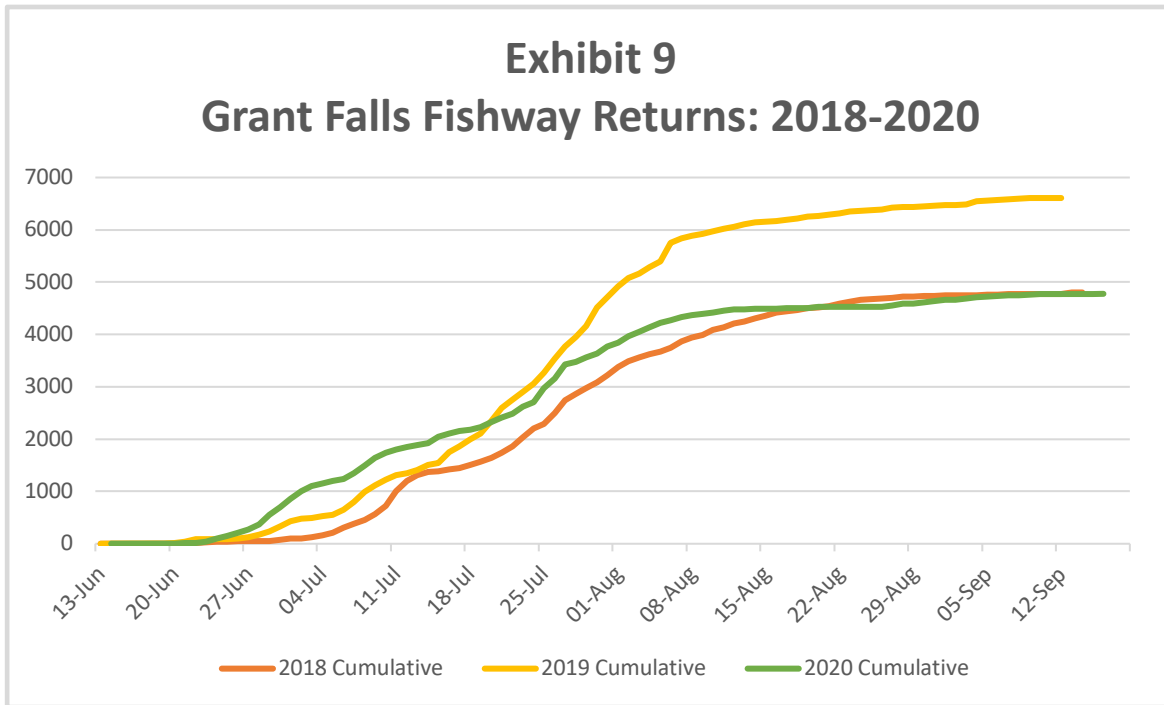
After 2015, when the low Mollyguajeck count was attributed to insufficient water in the fishway for most of the season, returns to the upper watershed continued upward until 2019 but dropped off in 2020. Whereas the conservation achieved above Mollyguajeck was 5.5% in 2015, it climbed progressively to 18.0% in 2016, 21.4% in 2018, and 29.3% in 2019 but fell to 13.9% in 2020.

The reason(s) for the lower 2020 Mollyguajeck count can only be speculated. A comparison of 2020 with 2018 is worthwhile given that the lower fishway counts in both years were almost identical in (4,794 in 2018 versus 4,777 in 2020).

A comparison of water conditions shows that average streamflow during the counting period was 11.43 m³/second in 2018 versus 23.12 m³/second in 2020. Streamflow was lower than 16 m³/second for 66 days during the 2018 count versus 17 days in 2020. A review of water temperature data taken at Mollyguajeck showed insignificant difference during the same periods in both years. Hence, given the more favourable water conditions in 2020, the lower salmon run relative to the lower fishway is likely a consequence of other factors.

One suggested reason for the lower 2020 count at Mollyguajeck was that some number of salmon may have already migrated through the fishway before the count began on July 11. The basis of this argument is that the 2020 salmon run occurred earlier than normal.

Exhibit 9 shows the extent of the early run in 2020. By July 11, the first day of the Mollyguajeck count, 1,800 salmon had passed Grant Falls compared to 1,007 on the same date in 2018 and 1,316 in 2019. Eight days earlier on July 3, the 2020 count was 1,105 compared to 127 in 2018 and 487 in 2019. If some portion this number had also passed Mollyguajeck before July 11, then the actual escapement to the upper watershed would have been higher than the final count of 742. Of course this argument is purely circumstantial and has no way of being verified.



While the Mollyguaieck count was lower in 2020, the overall picture for salmon recruitment to the upper watershed since 2015 is a positive one. After mitigative action was taken to overcome the low water problems in Mollyguaieck fishway, the count increased from 297 in 2015 to 965 in 2016, 1,148 in 2018, 1,570 in 2019, and 742 in 2020.

With a permanent diversion dam now in place, Mollyguaieck fishway is no longer a constraint to salmon migration that it was prior to 2016. All else being equal there is room for optimism that the population will continue to grow.

Despite this encouraging outlook, the river still has a way to go to emerge from Critical zone status (i.e. <100% conservation) and much further to achieve Healthy zone status (i.e. >150% conservation).

According to DFO current estimates, the entire river above Grant Falls achieved 75% of conservation requirements in 2020 (Nick Kelly, *Technical Briefing*, March 12, 2021). This differs from the picture portrayed in Exhibit 7, which relies on the assessment method used by Bourgeois et al in their 2002 study of Terra Nova River. Based on that method, the conservation level achieved was 53.5% for the entire river above Grant Falls and 13.9% in the upper watershed. Thus there remains a significant imbalance in spawning recruitment relative to capacity between the two sections of river.

7.0 Conclusion and Recommendation

While the 2020 Mollyguajeck count was considerably lower than the previous three counts, FABEC does not regard this as a significant setback to the goal of populating the upper Terra Nova River to its spawning capacity. Until 2017 Mollyguajeck fishway was a weak link in the Terra Nova salmon enhancement initiative. With the installation of the new diversion dam, we are confident that low water in the fishway will no longer be an impediment to salmon passage.

Recommendation

Terra Nova River is classified as Class 2 for a small portion of the river and Class 0 (catch and release only) for all of the remainder. While there is reason to hope that the population will gradually improve with increasing escapement to the upper watershed, this is tempered by the fact that even with the record return in 2019, the upper watershed was less than 30% seeded while the river as a whole achieved only 74% of conservation.

FABEC recommends no change to the current management plan for the river. It is our opinion that the status quo should be maintained for all areas of the river that are designated as Class 2 and Class 0.

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APPENDIX A
MOLLYGUAJECK FISHWAY LOG SHEET - 2020
JULY 11 to OCTOBER 14

2020 Mollyguajeck Fishway Log Sheet

Day	Date	Air Temp (°C)		Water Temp (°C)		Water Depth in Trap (cm)		Rain TN (mm)	Glovertown Water		Salmon Count			
		Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo		Streamflow (m3/sec)	Temp (°C)	<63	>63	Total	Cumulative
											cm	cm		
1	11-Jul	28.0	11.0	21.5	21.4	42.5	42.5	0.0	18.2	18.5	9	2	11	11
2	12-Jul	20.5	17.1	20.1	19.6	43.0	42.0	0.0	18.8	19.0	13	1	14	25
3	13-Jul	27.5	19.1	25.0	19.1	41.0	41.0	0.0	18.9	18.9	6	0	6	31
4	14-Jul	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	12.9	16.4	20.5	N/A	N/A	0	31
5	15-Jul	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	23.9	16.7	17.6	N/A	N/A	0	31
6	16-Jul	18.1	14.0	20.7	18.8	44.0	43.0	0.0	18.6	15.4	8	1	9	40
7	17-Jul	23.6	13.6	17.7	16.3	43.0	43.0	0.0	18.2	15.7	4	0	4	44
8	18-Jul	25.0	20.0	19.0	18.0	43.0	41.0	0.0	18.0	16.2	6	0	6	50
9	19-Jul	25.0	11.0	22.0	18.2	41.5	41.0	0.0	18.2	18.1	19	3	22	72
10	20-Jul	25.0	19.5	21.1	19.5	43.0	42.0	0.0	18.4	19.8	12	3	15	87
11	21-Jul	24.2	20.0	20.1	18.1	43.5	43.5	3.7	19.1	21.3	9	1	10	97
12	22-Jul	24.0	22.0	21.2	21.0	44.0	44.0	0.0	18.4	22.1	0	0	0	97
13	23-Jul	25.0	20.0	22.8	20.4	43.5	42.0	0.0	17.2	22.2	1	0	1	98
14	24-Jul	20.0	19.0	20.6	20.6	43.5	43.0	15.3	17.0	21.9	0	0	0	98
15	25-Jul	21.0	18.0	20.6	20.0	44.0	44.0	0.9	17.5	20.5	0	0	0	98
16	26-Jul	16.7	16.4	24.0	23.0	45.0	43.0	22.8	18.7	20.3	2	0	2	100
17	27-Jul	16.0	11.0	24.0	17.7	45.0	44.5	0.6	22.8	18.6	23	0	23	123
18	28-Jul	22.4	9.0	20.0	19.2	44.5	43.5	0.0	21.1	18.3	13	0	13	136
19	29-Jul	18.3	14.4	19.3	18.3	44.5	44.5	3.2	19.7	18.8	6	0	6	142
20	30-Jul	18.6	15.0	19.6	19.1	45.0	44.5	6.2	19.4	19.2	6	2	8	150
21	31-Jul	20.0	15.0	19.8	19.1	46.0	45.5	1.2	19.6	18.9	8	2	10	160
22	01-Aug	22.0	17.5	21.6	19.2	47.0	47.0	6.8	19.6	18.9	14	4	18	178
23	02-Aug	15.0	12.0	19.0	18.1	46.5	46.0	0.0	22.1	18.6	9	1	10	188
24	03-Aug	28.0	28.0	22.6	21.7	45.0	45.0	0.6	24.7	19.0	11	0	11	199
25	04-Aug	25.0	16.0	21.7	21.0	45.0	45.0	4.0	26.3	20.3	22	3	25	224
26	05-Aug	23.4	6.0	22.7	19.6	47.0	45.0	0.0	24.9	20.1	29	6	35	259

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27	06-Aug	25.0	12.0	20.3	18.0	45.0	44.0	0.0	25.9	20.8	4	0	4	263
28	07-Aug	23.0	23.0	21.6	21.0	44.0	44.0	0.0	25.0	21.4	18	0	18	281
29	08-Aug	25.0	14.0	22.5	20.4	44.0	44.0	0.0	22.1	21.5	15	3	18	299
30	09-Aug	27.0	13.0	22.2	21.0	42.5	42.0	0.0	21.0	21.8	12	0	12	311
32	10-Aug	25.0	15.0	21.6	21.2	43.0	42.5	0.0	20.0	22.2	8	0	8	319
32	11-Aug	28.0	28.0	24.4	23.7	41.5	41.5	0.0	18.7	22.9	2	0	2	321
33	12-Aug	24.0	16.0	23.0	22.6	41.5	41.5	0.0	18.3	23.3	6	0	6	327
34	13-Aug	26.0	16.0	23.6	22.8	41.0	40.0	0.0	17.3	23.6	4	0	4	331
35	14-Aug	22.0	14.0	22.6	20.4	40.5	40.5	0.6	15.4	22.8	1	0	1	332
36	15-Aug	23.0	22.3	22.3	22.1	40.0	40.0	0.0	14.1	20.7	0	0	0	332
37	16-Aug	28.0	13.0	24.3	20.0	39.5	39.5	0.0	13.7	20.7	8	0	8	340
38	17-Aug	28.0	13.0	23.9	23.0	39.5	39.0	0.0	13.4	20.6	5	0	5	345
39	18-Aug	18.0	10.0	21.1	20.6	39.0	39.0	0.0	12.3	20.0	5	0	5	350
40	19-Aug	21.4	15.0	23.6	20.0	40.0	39.0	9.3	12.2	19.1	12	4	16	366
41	20-Aug	20.0	17.0	21.5	20.6	38.5	38.0	0.0	13.3	19.1	9	0	9	375
42	21-Aug	21.0	10.0	20.6	18.0	38.5	38.0	0.0	14.0	19.4	7	0	7	382
43	22-Aug	18.0	15.1	19.2	19.2	37.0	37.0	0.0	12.8	19.7	11	0	11	393
44	23-Aug	25.0	17.0	21.4	21.3	36.5	36.5	1.0	11.3	19.8	14	1	15	408
45	24-Aug	19.0	9.0	21.6	19.5	38.0	37.5	3.1	11.1	19.3	14	0	14	422
46	25-Aug	22.0	7.0	21.5	19.0	37.5	37.5	0.6	10.8	19.0	10	2	12	434
47	26-Aug	12.0	11.0	19.1	19.1	38.0	38.0	19.3	11.5	19.3	2	0	2	436
48	27-Aug	24.0	12.0	19.4	19.1	39.0	39.0	0.0	13.5	17.6	29	7	36	472
49	28-Aug	18.1	6.0	18.0	17.1	40.0	39.5	0.0	14.7	16.7	35	4	39	511
50	29-Aug	14.0	6.0	16.2	14.0	40.0	40.0	0.0	14.6	16.4	25	1	26	537
51	30-Aug	12.0	8.0	17.1	16.3	40.0	40.0	26.0	14.7	15.6	6	0	6	543
52	31-Aug	12.0	9.0	17.5	16.6	43.0	42.0	1.2	19.2	14.8	30	4	34	577

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Day	Date	Air Temp (°C)		Water Temp (°C)		Water Depth in Trap (cm)		Rain TN	Glovertown Water		Salmon Count			
		Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	Hi	Lo	(mm)	Streamflow (m3/sec)	Temp (°C)	<63	>63	Total	Cumulative
											cm	cm		
53	01-Sep	13.0	5.0	17.4	16.6	45.0	44.5	0.0	20.0	15.2	20	2	22	599
54	02-Sep	18.0	7.0	17.4	16.7	45.0	45.0	0.0	20.4	15.2	16	3	19	618
55	03-Sep	15.0	10.0	16.1	16.0	45.0	45.0	0.0	21.9	15.9	3	0	3	621
56	04-Sep	24.0	22.5	18.2	17.7	46.0	45.0	2.5	22.4	17.3	18	1	19	640
57	05-Sep	21.0	15.0	18.3	17.1	48.0	48.0	8.9	22.7	18.5	25	3	28	668
58	06-Sep	22.0	14.6	19.0	17.1	49.0	48.0	0.0	23.6	18.5	11	2	13	681
59	07-Sep	18.0	13.8	18.6	17.6	48.0	48.0	0.0	24.0	18.4	1	0	1	682
60	08-Sep	21.0	15.0	18.8	18.8	46.0	45.5	0.0	23.9	17.9	5	0	5	687
61	09-Sep	25.0	12.0	19.7	19.2	48.0	46.0	0.0	24.5	18.4	5	0	5	692
62	10-Sep	17.0	10.0	19.4	18.5	46.5	46.0	0.0	23.4	18.6	4	0	4	696
63	11-Sep	7.0	7.0	18.1	18.0	46.0	46.0	9.4	24.0	17.7	0	0	0	696
64	12-Sep	14.0	10.2	18.1	17.3	48.0	48.0	0.6	25.3	15.8	1	0	1	697
65	13-Sep	15.2	7.3	19.8	16.7	48.5	47.0	0.0	25.3	14.8	4	0	4	701
66	14-Sep	19.0	9.0	17.6	16.0	47.0	47.0	4.6	25.1	14.5	1	0	1	702
67	15-Sep	11.0	6.0	15.2	14.2	47.0	47.0	0.0	25.7	14.4	0	0	0	702
68	16-Sep	16.0	15.0	16.4	16.1	45.0	45.0	0.0	22.7	13.9	9	2	11	713
69	17-Sep	16.0	8.0	16.4	15.1	45.5	45.0	1.1	24.7	13.9	8	2	10	723
70	18-Sep	7.0	5.0	15.6	15.2	46.0	45.0	69.7	23.5	14.1	4	0	4	727
71	19-Sep	4.0	3.0	14.2	14.1	50.0	50.0	5.6	58.2	12.7	2	0	2	729
72	20-Sep	11.1	8.0	14.2	14.2	61.5	60.0	0.6	54.7	12.7	1	0	1	730
73	21-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	61.1	13.2	N/A	N/A	0	730
74	22-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.7	66.7	13.8	N/A	N/A	0	730
75	23-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	8.3	72.3	14.3	N/A	N/A	0	730
76	24-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	82.1	15.4	N/A	N/A	0	730
77	25-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	80.1	14.4	N/A	N/A	0	730
78	26-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	79.1	13.0	N/A	N/A	0	730

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											cm	cm		
79	27-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	75.4	12.8	N/A	N/A	0	730
80	28-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	73.2	14.3	N/A	N/A	0	730
81	29-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	69.8	16.0	N/A	N/A	0	730
82	30-Sep	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	0.0	65.6	17.3	N/A	N/A	0	730
83	01-Oct	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	1.6	61.9	18.1	N/A	N/A	0	730
84	02-Oct	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.5	55.4	17.1	N/A	N/A	0	730
85	03-Oct	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	2.3	52.9	16.4	N/A	N/A	0	730
86	04-Oct	10.0	8.0	16.3	16.2	56.0	56.0	0.0	48.7	15.5	7	1	8	738
87	05-Oct	5.0	2.0	15.8	15.2	56.0	55.0	0.0	45.2	13.7	1	0	1	739
88	06-Oct	10.0	-3.0	15.4	15.4	54.0	54.0	0.0	42.5	12.1	2	0	2	741
89	07-Oct	7.0	4.0	14.2	14.2	54.0	54.0	3.9	40.4	11.9	1	0	1	742
90	08-Oct	14.4	14.1	14.2	13.3	55.0	55.0	16.2	39.5	12.4	0	0	0	742
91	09-Oct	6.0	1.0	13.5	12.0	55.0	55.0	0.7	46.6	11.9	0	0	0	742
92	10-Oct	11.5	0.2	11.5	11.4	56.0	56.0	0.6	41.8	9.7	0	0	0	742
93	11-Oct	12.0	10.0	11.5	11.3	56.0	56.0	6.4	38.0	9.6	0	0	0	742
94	12-Oct	9.0	5.0	11.3	11.2	53.0	53.0	0.0	36.6	9.7	0	0	0	742
95	13-Oct	4.0	2.0	11.2	11.0	54.0	54.0	0.0	35.2	9.1	0	0	0	742
96	14-Oct	-2.0	-2.0	11.0	11.0	54.0	54.0	0.0	35.9	9.0	0	0	0	742
Total								310.4			671	71	742	
Avg per Day		18.7	12.3	19.4	18.2	42.0	41.7	3.2	29.2	17.2	8.3	0.9	9.2	

Notes: July 14-15 – No counts due to employee illness.

September 21-October 3 - No counts due to high water conditions and related safety hazards.

APPENDIX B
GRANT FALLS FISHWAY COUNT
2018, 2019 & 2020

Daily Salmon Count – Grant Falls Fishway

Date	2020				2019				2018			
	≤ 63 cm	> 63 cm	Total	Cumu-lative	≤ 63 cm	> 63 cm	Total	Cumu-lative	≤ 63 cm	> 63 cm	Total	Cumu-lative
13-Jun					0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14-Jun	1	0	1	1	2	0	2	2	0	0	0	0
15-Jun	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
16-Jun	1	0	1	2	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0
17-Jun	0	0	0	2	2	0	2	4	0	0	0	0
18-Jun	1	0	1	3	1	0	1	5	0	1	1	1
19-Jun	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	5	2	0	2	3
20-Jun	2	0	2	5	12	0	12	17	1	0	1	4
21-Jun	4	1	5	10	21	2	23	40	2	1	3	7
22-Jun	3	0	3	13	37	9	46	86	8	2	10	17
23-Jun	21	6	27	40	2	0	2	88	4	0	4	21
24-Jun	52	2	54	94	1	0	1	89	11	7	18	39
25-Jun	52	3	55	149	2	1	3	92	3	1	4	43
26-Jun	54	1	55	204	7	1	8	100	3	0	3	46
27-Jun	61	4	65	269	19	3	22	122	0	0	0	46
28-Jun	92	3	98	364	48	3	51	173	3	0	3	49
29-Jun	178	12	190	554	52	5	57	230	1	0	1	50
30-Jun	140	9	149	703	93	6	99	329	18	4	22	72
01-Jul	146	12	158	861	101	5	106	435	24	2	26	98
02-Jul	135	9	144	1005	43	7	50	485	7	0	7	105
03-Jul	91	9	100	1105	2	0	2	487	21	1	22	127
04-Jul	49	2	51	1156	33	3	36	523	33	3	36	163
05-Jul	44	1	45	1201	23	4	27	550	45	1	46	209
06-Jul	37	1	38	1239	97	6	103	653	88	7	95	304
07-Jul	95	19	114	1353	136	13	149	802	73	6	79	383
08-Jul	127	14	141	1494	184	8	192	994	62	8	70	453
09-Jul	133	11	144	1638	116	4	120	1114	114	3	117	570
10-Jul	94	6	100	1738	102	4	106	1220	148	5	153	723
11-Jul	60	2	62	1800	93	3	96	1316	261	23	284	1007
12-Jul	49	1	50		33	1	34	1350	190	8	198	1205

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13-Jul	28	2	30	1880	61	2	63	1413	104	5	109	1314
14-Jul	47	1	48	1928	88	5	93	1506	55	2	57	1371
15-Jul	100	13	113	2041	41	2	43	1549	14	0	14	1385
16-Jul	62	8	38	2149	191	13	204	1753	35	1	36	1421
17-Jul	30	8	38	2149	96	8	104	1857	24	4	28	1449
18-Jul	20	13	33	2182	135	7	142	1999	47	6	53	1502
19-Jul	42	4	46	2228	93	13	106	2105	61	6	67	1569
20-Jul	82	11	93	2321	224	20	244	2349	61	6	67	1636
21-Jul	81	15	96	2417	230	19	249	2598	94	12	106	1742
22-Jul	55	15	70	2487	144	16	160	2758	114	9	123	1865
23-Jul	103	31	134	2621	136	12	148	2906	145	19	164	2029
24-Jul	68	18	86	2707	137	12	149	3055	158	16	174	2203
25-Jul	218	50	268	2975	197	17	214	3269	77	8	85	2288
26-Jul	145	42	187	3162	241	29	270	3539	195	17	212	2500
27-Jul	238	28	266	3428	218	18	236	3775	221	22	243	2743
28-Jul	45	8	53	3481	163	20	183	3958	117	10	127	2870
29-Jul	79	4	83	3564	186	16	202	4160	96	11	107	2977
30-Jul	59	9	68	3632	314	37	351	4511	100	8	108	3085
31-Jul	116	22	138	3770	192	13	205	4716	129	8	137	3222
01-Aug	68	10	78	3848	202	5	207	4923	141	15	156	3378
02-Aug	99	14	113	3961	152	6	158	5081	94	10	104	3482
03-Aug	76	12	88	4049	75	3	78	5159	78	5	83	3565
04-Aug	76	10	86	4135	112	11	123	5282	54	5	59	3624
05-Aug	71	11	82	4217	110	8	118	5400	46	5	51	3675
06-Aug	59	0	59	4276	326	21	347	5747	67	6	73	3748
07-Aug	53	3	56	4332	92	2	94	5841	102	8	110	3858
08-Aug	40	2	42	4374	35	5	40	5881	64	11	75	3933
09-Aug	16	3	19	4393	42	3	45	5926	53	4	57	3990
10-Aug	26	1	27	4420	45	2	47	5973	81	5	86	4076
11-Aug	35	2	37	4457	41	1	42	6015	49	6	55	4131

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12-Aug	20	0	20	4477	40	1	41	6056	56	9	65	4196
13-Aug	5	0	5	4482	51	1	52	6108	39	3	42	4238
14-Aug	4	0	4	4486	30	3	33	6141	52	4	56	4294
15-Aug	10	0	10	4496	12	0	12	6153	50	2	52	4346
16-Aug	1	0	1	4497	13	1	14	6167	55	6	61	4407
17-Aug	7	1	8	4505	18	4	22	6189	23	1	24	4431
18-Aug	2	0	2	4507	22	2	24	6213	31	2	33	4464
19-Aug	1	0	1	4508	32	1	33	6246	25	1	26	4490
20-Aug	13	3	16	4524	18	2	20	6266	15	1	16	4506
21-Aug	4	1	5	4529	21	2	23	6289	28	2	30	4536
22-Aug	3	0	3	4532	21	2	23	6312	43	1	44	4580
23-Aug	0	0	0	4532	31	2	33	6345	33	4	37	4617
24-Aug	0	0	0	4532	21	2	23	6368	28	3	31	4648
25-Aug	0	0	0	4532	8	1	9	6377	14	0	14	4662
26-Aug	0	0	0	4532	12	0	12	6389	17	1	18	4680
27-Aug	19	0	19	4551	29	4	33	6422	10	3	13	4693
28-Aug	32	5	37	4588	12	2	14	6436	15	1	16	4709
29-Aug	3	2	5	4593	3	0	3	6439	8	0	8	4717
30-Aug	17	2	19	4612	11	0	11	6450	10	0	10	4727
31-Aug	21	10	31	4643	16	0	16	6466	5	1	6	4733
01-Sep	12	6	18	4661	7	1	8	6474	10	0	10	4743
02-Sep	5	1	6	4667	2	0	2	6476	0	0	0	4743
03-Sep	20	6	26	4693	11	0	11	6487	0	0	0	4743
04-Sep	14	1	15	4708	55	5	60	6547	0	0	0	4743
05-Sep	10	0	10	4718	10	0	10	6557	4	0	4	4747
06-Sep	20	0	20	4738	13	0	13	6570	6	0	6	4753
07-Sep	5	3	8	4746	14	1	15	6585	9	0	9	4762
08-Sep	4	1	5	4751	10	0	10	6595	1	0	1	4763
09-Sep	8	3	11	4762	10	1	11	6606	0	0	0	4763
10-Sep	8	1	9	4771	1	0	1	6607	0	0	0	4763

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11-Sep	0	2	2	4773	0	0	0	6607	1	0	1	4764
12-Sep	1	0	1	4774	0	0	0	6607	3	1	4	4768
13-Sep	0	0	0	4774					26	0	26	4794
14-Sep	0	0	0	4774								
15-Sep	0	0	0	4774								
16-Sep	3	0	3	4777								
Total	4231	546	4777		6136	471	6607		4415	379	4794	

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