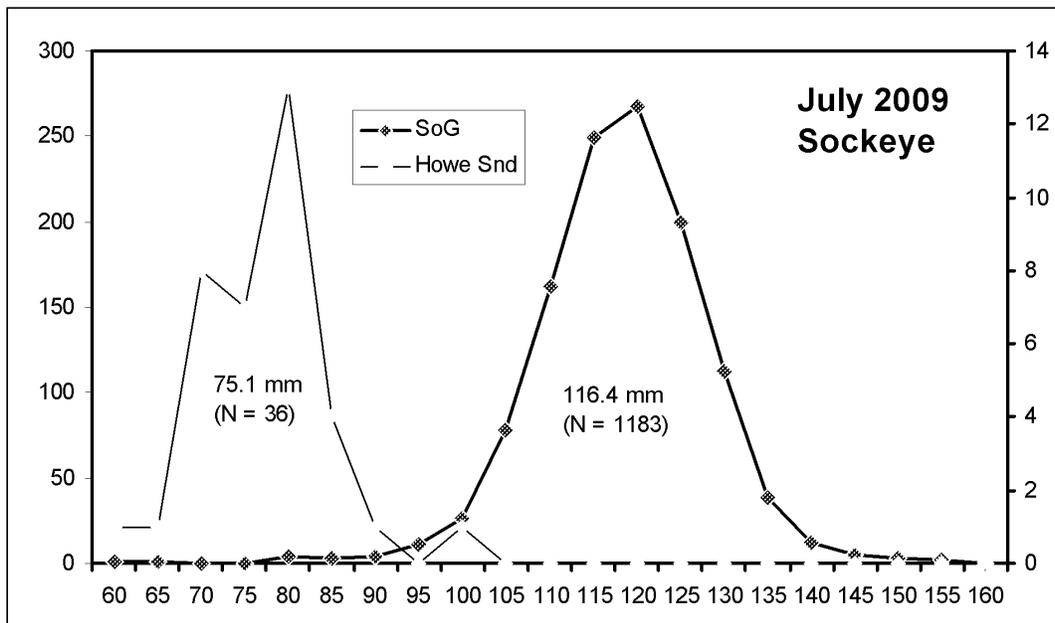


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Sent: Monday, October 26, 2009 1:24 PM
To: Saunders, Mark
Subject: Harrison Sockeye

Mark, note the size differences. I am trying to find time to look at the daily growth rings which will tell me when they enter the strait. We know that these sockeye remain in the strait and we have diet information for mid-July, mid-September and late October. There must be a reason why these sockeye are doing so well. My best guess so far is that the predation on these fish diminished in recent years, because of the reduced abundance of coho and chinook. However, this may be in combination with more smaller plankton around the Fraser River estuary in June and July. We do need money for DNA analysis to confirm the identity, if you come across any new support for the sockeye issue.
Dick

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If you can keep your head when all about are losing theirs, perhaps you have misunderstood the situation. (Steve Head)

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