

Support the Canadian ownership, Public Right to Fish, and Priority Access to Salmon

DFO is under pressure to eliminate the principle of Common Property Resource from its Salmon Allocation Policy. Removing this principle from the policy would represent a radical shift that could undermine the rights of Canadians, create uncertainty around the ownership of a common property resource, and disrupt the effective management of the salmon fishery.

Meet with your MP and write Joanne Thompson, Minister of Fisheries, and express your concerns. Please ensure that your emails are personalized and include your history and relationship with salmon and fishing. Copied and pasted responses will be ignored.

We are mobilizing hundreds of thousands of voters to ensure Canadians' property rights are not extinguished, the public's right to fish and priority access to coho and Chinook salmon remains.

Key talking points:

- Salmon are a Common Property Resource belonging to all Canadians
- Salmon must be referred to as a Common Property Resource in the Salmon Allocation Policy
- The Public Right to Fish must be referred to in the Salmon Allocation Policy
- Recreational sector priority access to Chinook and Coho must be maintained after conservation, First Nation Food, Social and Ceremonial (FSC) and Rights-Based commercial fisheries (IRB) and before the commercial sector
- Licensed angling generates nearly \$1.3B in annual revenue, \$643M in GDP, and 9,100 direct jobs
- Licensed anglers generate ~\$20M in license revenue per year.
- Licensed anglers pay nearly ~\$15M in dedicated funds which go to fish conservation, restoration and enhancement in British Columbia.
- Licensed anglers donate hundreds of thousands of hours and millions of dollars annually to salmon conservation, restoration, and enhancement.
- More than 300,000 British Columbians hold a saltwater licence and 280,000 hold a freshwater license.
- Canadians will not accept having their common law rights unnecessarily or unfairly restricted or infringed upon.
- We are holding town halls across B.C. and talking to the media to ensure Canadians know what is at risk.
- We fish and we vote

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