

As part of an integrated strategy to protect and rebuild wild salmon in BC, I am pleased to inform you that today the Minister of Fisheries, Oceans and the Canadian Coast Guard, the Honourable Jonathan Wilkinson announced the release of the [Wild Salmon Policy 2018 – 2022 Implementation Plan](#), as part of the [International Year of the Salmon](#) launch at Jack Poole plaza in Vancouver. The [final 2018 Cohen Response Status Update](#) was also released today.

We greatly appreciated all the feedback we received through open houses and submitted comments that contributed towards the final document. In addition to the Plan, please see the [summary of feedback received and response](#) to the input we received.

This Plan describes Fisheries and Oceans Canada's commitment to *Canada's Policy for Conservation of Pacific Wild Salmon* (Wild Salmon Policy or WSP) through three key themes: Assessment, Maintaining and Rebuilding Stocks, and Accountability. Over the next five years, DFO will be focussing efforts on the development of common guidance, standardized methods, and useful tools to advance the long-term goal and objectives of the WSP. We know that full success in meeting the objectives of the WSP will depend on cooperation among all who have an interest in wild Pacific salmon.

Please feel free to share the [WSP Implementation Plan](#) widely with your memberships and networks.

We look forward to your continued interest and opportunities for collaboration in protecting and rebuilding wild salmon and salmon habitat in Pacific Region going forward.

Sincerely,

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