



Lions Gate and Creative Salmon starting trial to treat processing plant effluent

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TOFINO B.C. – Effluent from the Lions Gate Fisheries processing plant in Tofino will be treated before discharge to the ocean.

The effluent treatment trial project has been in development since late 2017 and will be up and running in January.

“As a certified organic company we always strive to do better for our fish and for the environment where we operate,” says Creative Salmon General Manager Tim Rundle. “We worked with Lions Gate and the provincial government to amend the discharge permit to allow this trial and that is now in place.”

The pilot was designed in partnership with Lions Gate, which processes Creative Salmon’s certified organic farm-raised Chinook salmon, and with the help of an expert consultant.

“Everything takes longer than you would like when it comes to permits and geo-technical work and acquiring equipment and building infrastructure,” says Rundle, “but we are ready to start the trial as soon as the last pieces of the treatment system are in place and we are confident the trial project will be effective and will lead to a permanent treatment system.”

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About Creative Salmon

Creative Salmon is a Canadian company founded in 1990. It is one of the smallest salmon farming companies in Canada and currently the country’s only certified organic farm raised salmon producer. Creative Salmon employs 55 people full-time, year-round on the West Coast of Vancouver Island.