

August is here, and so are the fish! That's the good news, the downside is that so is the rain. Last weekend dropped about 5 inches on us, and the past couple of days have dropped another 3. With all that precipitation all of the rivers are high and off color.

Prior to these high water events a few fish were being caught in Ibeck and Eyak, though not in great numbers. But that's not stopping eager anglers from exploring the side channels that may be holding a few trapped fish!



Figure 1: The Scott River with more rain on the way



Figure 2: A couple of anglers try their luck on Ibeck. Notice the safety gear on the younger one!

While the waters are high and off color your best bet may be to go with a scented bait on your lure if you're going after silvers, but you can always go track down some cutthroat in Pipeline or McKinley Lakes.

One reminder for the day is to please be sure to take all your trash with you when you are done fishing. Leaving empty roe bags or wrappers will encourage bears into the area and could leave to a potential run-in with a future angler. Bears have been sighted in the Ibeck Creek area.

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