CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES

Situation: The Habitat Committee (HC) will meet Monday, September 8, 2003 to develop recommendations on the following agenda items:

B.3 Council Input into NOAA Fisheries Constituent Survey
E.1 Update on Marine Reserves Issues
E.2 Marine Reserves in the Federal Waters Portion of the Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary
C.9 Groundfish Bycatch Program Environmental Impact Statement

The HC will receive a presentation by Dr. Ian Fleming of Oregon State University discussing the effects of salmon net pens on Council-managed species. The HC will also hear updates on Klamath River flows and habitat mapping efforts.

In addition, the Council received a form-letter response from the Grant County Public Utility District regarding the Council’s July 7 comments on the Priest Rapids license application. The letter is attached (Exhibit D.1, Attachment 1).

The HC’s complete agenda is provided in Ancillary D.

Council Action:

1. Consider comments and recommendations developed by the HC at the September meeting.

Reference Materials:

Exhibit D.1, Attachment 1. Letter from Grant County Public Utility District acknowledging comments from the Council.

Agenda Order:

a. Agendum Overview
b. Report of the HC
  Jennifer Gilden
  Stuart Ellis
  c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
t. Public Comment
e. Council Action: Consider HC Recommendations