

## SALMON FISHERY UPDATE

A summary of the management events for the 2004 salmon season (updated through August 23) is contained in Attachment 1. Through August 23, there have been 11 inseason management conferences to adjust fisheries. Numerous routine calls were made to adjust landing limits and close seasons as quotas were reached in the non-Indian commercial fisheries north of Cape Falcon and in the Oregon Klamath Management Zone. Action was taken to trade 5,000 chinook from the recreational fishery to the commercial fishery in exchange for 20,000 marked coho north of Cape Falcon. Inseason action was also taken to establish non-mark-selective coho fisheries for the Westport subarea recreational fishery and the non-Indian commercial fishery in the Westport and Columbia River subareas. This is the first time since mark-selective fisheries were established in Council waters that non-Indian fisheries have been allowed to retain unmarked coho.

Mr. Dell Simmons, Chair of the Salmon Technical Team (STT), will provide detailed effort and harvest data for salmon fisheries through the end of August in his report to the Council (Agendum D.1.a, Supplemental STT Report).

### **Council Task:**

**Discuss issues relevant to inseason management of salmon fisheries.**

### **Reference Materials:**

1. Agendum D.1, Attachment 1: Table D.1-1. Sequence of Events in Ocean Salmon Fishery Management through August 23, 2004.
2. Agendum D.1.a, Supplemental STT Report: Status Report of the 2004 Ocean Salmon Fisheries off Washington, Oregon, and California.

### **Agenda Order:**

- a. Salmon Technical Team Report
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

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TABLE D.1-1. Sequence of events in ocean salmon fishery management through August 23, 2004.<sup>a/</sup> (Page 1 of 7)

**GENERAL MANAGEMENT ACTIONS AND INSEASON CONFERENCES**

Mar. 5	National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) provides the Council with a letter outlining the 2004 management guidance for stocks listed under the Endangered Species Act (ESA).
Mar. 12	Council adopts three troll and three recreational ocean salmon fishery management options for public review.
Mar. 17	North of Cape Falcon Salmon Forum meets in Lynwood, Washington to initiate consideration of recommendations for treaty Indian and non-Indian salmon management options.
Mar. 29-30	Council holds public hearings on proposed 2004 management options in three locations within the three Pacific Coast states.
Mar. 30	North of Cape Falcon Salmon Forum meets in Seattle, Washington to further consider recommendations for treaty Indian and non-Indian salmon management options.
Apr. 8	Council adopts final ocean salmon fishery management recommendations for approval and implementation by the U.S. Secretary of Commerce. The proposed measures comply with the salmon fishery management plan (FMP) and the current biological opinions for listed species. An emergency rule is not required for implementation.
May 5	Ocean salmon seasons implemented as recommended by the Council and published in the <i>Federal Register</i> on May 5 (69 FR 25026).  NMFS inseason conference number one results in closure of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, May 5, 2004 as the 29,800 chinook quota was approached, and the preseason intent to reserve at least 500 chinook for the June 26-30 opening was in jeopardy.
May 14	NMFS inseason conference number two results in reopening of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, May 15, 2004 through May 18, 2004 with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
May 21	NMFS inseason conference number three results in reopening of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, May 24, 2004 through May 26, 2004 with a 70 chinook per vessel landing limit for the three-day open period.
June 18	NMFS inseason conference number four results in closure of the Humbug Mt., Oregon to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, June 19, 2004 as the 2,600 chinook quota was reached.
July 2	NMFS inseason conference number five results in changing the landing and possession limit in the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial salmon fishery from 125 chinook to 100 chinook for the first two open periods, and changing the second open period from July 15-19 to July 16-19.
July 14	NMFS inseason conference number six results in changing the landing and possession limit in the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial salmon fishery from 100 chinook to 125 chinook for the July 16-19 period.
July 16	NMFS inseason conference number seven results in changing Queets River to Cape Falcon recreational fishery bag limit to allow retention of two chinook and open seven days per week beginning July 23.
July 19	NMFS inseason conference number eight results in closure of the Humbug Mt., Oregon to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, July 19, 2004 as the 1,600 chinook quota was reached.

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**GENERAL MANAGEMENT ACTIONS AND INSEASON CONFERENCES** (continued)

- Aug. 3 NMFS inseason conference number nine results in closure of the Humbug Mt., Oregon to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery effective midnight, August 4, 2004 as the 2,500 chinook quota was reached.
- Aug. 10 NMFS inseason conference number ten results in two actions:
1. Reducing the coho quota in the Queets River to Leadbetter point recreational fishery from 74,900 to 34,900 and increasing the coho quota in the U.S./Canada border to Cape Alava recreational fishery from 21,050 to 27,650 in order to extend the latter fishery into September and maintain impacts on Interior Fraser coho at or below preseason expectations.
  2. The Cape Alava to Cape Falcon all-salmon recreational fishery chinook minimum size limit is reduced from 26 inches total length to 24 inches total length, and the bag limit in the Cape Alava to Queets River subarea is modified to allow retention of two chinook.
- Aug. 18 NMFS inseason conference number eleven results in four actions:
1. Trading 5,000 chinook from the recreational fishery north of Cape Falcon to the non-Indian commercial fishery north of Cape Falcon for 20,000 adipose fin clipped coho from the non-Indian commercial fishery north of Cape Falcon to the Queets River to Leadbetter Point subarea in the recreational fishery north of Cape Falcon. This would allow the commercial fishery to continue through the scheduled closure of September 15.
  2. Allowing retention of unmarked coho in the Queets River to Cape Falcon non-Indian commercial fishery beginning September 1 with a landing limit of 500 coho per five-day open period, and restricting the fishery to a subarea quota of 10,000 non-mark-selective coho. Unmarked coho must be landed in the area (or in Garibaldi as per the preseason regulations) and may not be possessed in areas north of the Queets River.
  3. Allowing retention of unmarked coho in the Queets River to Leadbetter Point recreational fishery beginning August 29 under a 10,000 coho subarea quota. Possession and landing of unmarked coho was allowed in the Queets River to Leadbetter Point subarea only.
  4. The September Humbug, Mt., Oregon to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery was restricted to open dates of September 1-3, 8-10, and 15-30 with a 50 fish per day possession and landing limit.

**NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL TROLL SEASONS**

- Mar. 15 Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through June 30. The fishery reopens July 7 through 12; July 19 through 27; August 1 through 14; August 19 through 24; and September 1 through October 31.
- Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through July 6. The fishery reopens July 13 through 18; July 26 through 29; August 1 through 8; August 15 through 22; August 26 through 29; and September 1 through October 31.
- Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through May 31. The fishery is scheduled to reopen June 1 through the earlier of June 30 or a 2,600 chinook quota; July 1 through the earlier of July 31 or a 1,600 chinook quota; August 1 through the earlier of August 29 or a 2,500 chinook quota; and September 1 through the earlier of September 30 or a 3,000 chinook quota.
- May 1 U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through the earlier of June 30 or a 29,800 chinook quota.
- Pt. Arena to U.S./Mexico border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through August 29. The fishery reopens September 1 through September 30.
- May 5 U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes to ensure the 29,800 chinook quota was not exceeded and at least 500 chinook remain on the quota for the June 26-30 opener.
- May 15-18 U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.

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**NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL TROLL SEASONS** (continued)

May 24-26	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens with a 70 chinook per vessel landing limit for the three-day open period.
May 31	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
June 1	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through the earlier of June 30 or a 2,600 chinook quota. The fishery reopens July 1 through the earlier of July 31 or a 1,600 chinook quota; August 1 through the earlier of August 29 or a 2,500 chinook quota; and September 1 through the earlier of September 30 or a 3,000 chinook quota.
June 19	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes as the 2,600 chinook quota is reached.
June 26	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through June 30 with a 50 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
June 30	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes as scheduled.
	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
July 1	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through the earlier of July 31 or a 1,600 chinook quota. The fishery reopens August 1 through the earlier of August 29 or a 2,500 chinook quota; and September 1 through the earlier of September 30 or a 3,000 chinook quota.
July 6	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
July 7-12	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
July 8-12	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 100 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period. The fishery is scheduled to run through earlier of September 15 or 17,631 chinook quota (14,700 preseason plus 2,931 rollover from the May/June season) or a 67,500 mark-selective coho quota. The 67,500 coho quota includes a subarea quota of 8,000 marked coho for the area between the U.S./Canada border and the Queets River.
July 10	Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through August 29. The fishery reopens September 1-30.
July 13-18	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
July 16-19	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the 4-day open period.
July 19	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes as the 1,600 chinook quota is reached.
July 19-27	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
July 22-26	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
July 26-29	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
July 29-Aug. 2	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.

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**NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL TROLL SEASONS** (continued)

Aug. 1	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through the earlier of August 29 or a 2,500 chinook quota. The fishery reopens September 1 through the earlier of September 30 or a 3,000 chinook quota.
Aug. 1-8	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
Aug. 1-14	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
Aug. 4	Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes as the 2,500 chinook quota is reached.
Aug. 5-9	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
Aug. 11-15	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
Aug. 15-22	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
Aug. 18-22	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
Aug. 19-24	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
Aug. 25-29	U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.
Aug. 26-29	Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens.
Aug. 29	Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes. Pt. Arena to U.S./Mexico border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
Sept. 1	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through October 31. Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through October 31. Humbug Mt. to Oregon/California border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through the earlier of September 30 or a 3,000 chinook quota. Oregon/California border to Humboldt south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through the earlier of September 30 or a quota of 6,000 chinook. Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through September 30. Pt. Arena to U.S./Mexico border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through September 30.
Sept. 1-5	Scheduled opening of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period. The quotas for the fishery were modified to 22,631 chinook (14,700 preseason plus 2,931 from the May/June fishery plus 5,000 from a trade with the recreational fishery); coho quotas of 10,000 non-mark-selective coho for the subarea between the Queets River and Cape Falcon, and 8,000 mark-selective coho for the subarea between the U.S./Canada border and the Queets River.
Sept. 8-12	Scheduled opening of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery opens with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the five-day open period.

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**NON-INDIAN COMMERCIAL TROLL SEASONS** (continued)

Sept. 15	Scheduled opening of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Falcon, non-Indian commercial all-salmon fishery. The fishery is open for the last day with a 125 chinook per vessel landing limit for the final one-day open period.
Sept. 30	Scheduled closure of the Oregon/California border to Humboldt south jetty, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery.  Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.  Pt. Arena to U.S./Mexico border, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
Oct. 1	Pt. Reyes to Pt. San Pedro, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens Monday to Friday through October 15.
Oct. 15	Pt. Reyes to Pt. San Pedro, non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
Oct. 31	Cape Falcon to Florence south jetty non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.  Florence south jetty to Humbug Mt., non-Indian commercial all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.

**TREATY INDIAN COMMERCIAL TROLL SEASONS**

May 1	All-salmon-except-coho fisheries open through the earlier of June 30 or a 22,500 chinook quota for the May through June season (any remainder of the quota is not transferable to the July 1 through September 15 season, but overages to be deducted from the July 1 through September 30 quota).
June 19	All-salmon-except-coho fisheries close as the 22,500 quota was reached.
July 1	All-salmon fisheries open through the earlier of September 15, a 22,223 chinook quota (26,500 preseason minus 4,277 overage from the May/June fishery), or a 75,000 non-mark-selective coho quota.
Sept. 15	Scheduled closure of the all-salmon commercial fisheries.

**RECREATIONAL SEASONS**

Feb. 14	Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through November 14.
Mar. 15	Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through October 31. The fishery (along with the area between Humbug Mt. and the Oregon/California border) allows mark-selective coho retention beginning June 19 through the earlier of August 31 or a 75,000 coho quota, then reverts back to all-salmon-except-coho for the remainder of the season.
Apr. 3	Pigeon Pt. to the U.S./Mexico border, all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through October 3.
Apr. 17	Pt. Arena to Pigeon Pt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through November 14.
May 15	Humbug Mt. to Horse Mt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery opens through September 12. The fishery in the area north of the Oregon/California border (including the area between Humbug Mt. and Cape Falcon) allows retention of adipose fin clipped coho beginning June 19 through the earlier of August 31 or a 75,000 coho quota, then reverts back to all-salmon-except-coho for the remainder of the season.
June 19	Cape Falcon to Oregon/California border, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery opens through the earlier of August 31 or a quota of 75,000 coho; all coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. The fishery reopens for all-salmon-except-coho the earlier of September 1 or the attainment of the coho quota, and continues through October 31 for the area north of Humbug Mt., and through September 12 for the areas south of Humbug Mt.

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**RECREATIONAL SEASONS, (continued)**

June 27	<p>U.S./Canada border to Cape Alava, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery opens seven days per week through the earlier of September 19 or a 21,050 coho quota, with a 3,700 chinook guideline. Daily-bag-limit is two fish, only one of which can be a chinook; all coho must have a healed adipose fin clip.</p> <p>Cape Alava to Queets River, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery opens seven days per week through the earlier of September 19 or, or a 5,200 coho quota, with a 1,900 chinook guideline. Daily-bag-limit is two fish, only one of which can be a chinook; all coho must have a healed adipose fin clip.</p> <p>Queets River to Leadbetter Pt., all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery opens through the earlier of September 19 or a 74,900 coho quota, with a 30,800 chinook guideline. Fishery runs Sunday to Thursday through July 23, then seven days per week thereafter. Daily-bag-limit is two fish, only one of which can be a chinook; all coho must have a healed adipose fin clip.</p> <p>Leadbetter Pt. to Cape Falcon, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery opens through the earlier of September 30 or a 101,250 coho quota, with a 8,000 chinook guideline. Fishery runs Sunday to Thursday through July 23, then seven days per week thereafter. Daily-bag-limit is two fish, only one of which can be a chinook; all coho must have a healed adipose fin clip. Closed between Tillamook Head and Cape Falcon beginning August 1.</p>
July 23	<p>Queets River to Cape Falcon, all-salmon recreational fishery is opened seven days per week and the bag limit is modified to allow retention of two chinook.</p>
Aug. 13	<p>Cape Alava to Cape Falcon all-salmon recreational fishery chinook minimum size limit is reduced from 26 inches total length to 24 inches total length, and the bag limit in the Cape Alava to Queets River is modified to allow retention of two chinook.</p> <p>Queets River to Leadbetter Pt. all-salmon recreational fishery mark-selective coho quota is reduced from 74,900 to 34,900 to allow the U.S./Canada border to Cape Alava coho quota to be increased by 6,600 to 27,650, and remain impact neutral with respect to Interior Fraser (Thompson River, British Columbia) coho.</p>
Aug. 29	<p>Queets River to Leadbetter Pt. all-salmon recreational fishery coho regulations were modified to allow non-mark-selective retention of all legal sized coho, and the fishery scheduled to run through the earlier of September 19 or a non-mark-selective coho quota of 10,000, with a chinook guideline of 25,800 (30,800 preseason minus 5,000 for the trade to the commercial fishery).</p>
Aug. 31	<p>Cape Falcon to Oregon/California border, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery closes as scheduled.</p>
Sept. 1	<p>Cape Falcon to Oregon/California border, all-salmon-except-coho fishery reopens through October 31.</p>
Sept. 12	<p>Humbug Mt. to Horse Mt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.</p>
Sept. 19	<p>Scheduled closure of the U.S./Canada border to Cape Alava, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery.</p> <p>Scheduled closure of the Cape Alava to Queets River, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery.</p> <p>Scheduled closure of the Queets River to Leadbetter Point, all-salmon non-mark-selective fishery.</p>
Sept. 25	<p>La Push area ( 47°58'00" to 47°50'00" inside 3 nm), all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery reopens through the earlier of October 10, a 100 chinook quota, or a 100 coho quota.</p>
Sept. 30	<p>Scheduled closure of the Leadbetter Pt. to Cape Falcon, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery.</p>
Oct. 3	<p>Pigeon Pt. to U.S./Mexico border, all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.</p>
Oct. 10	<p>Scheduled closure of the La Push area, all-salmon mark-selective coho fishery.</p>

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**RECREATIONAL SEASONS**, (continued)

Oct. 31	Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
Nov. 14	Horse Mt. to Pt. Arena, all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.
	Pt. Arena to Pigeon Pt., all-salmon-except-coho fishery closes.

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a/ Unless stated otherwise, season openings or modifications of restrictions are effective at 0001 hours of the listed date. Closures are effective at midnight.