PRESEASON SALMON MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2007

To plan, announce, and meet Federal Register deadlines for public hearing sites and the entire preseason salmon management process, staff needs to confirm details of the process prior to the end of November. The proposed 2007 process and schedule are contained in Agenda Item I.1.a, Attachment 1.

The sun-setting of the Klamath Act in 2006 means the Klamath Fishery Management Council (KFMC) and the Klamath River Technical Advisory Team (KRTAT) are no longer directly funded, and the Council may want to recommend alternatives to the functions those bodies served in the past. KFMC functions included recommending allocation of Klamath River fall Chinook (KRFC) among commercial and recreational sectors, and between Oregon and California commercial fisheries. KRTAT functions included development of postseason KRFC harvest impact and escapement estimates, and preseason abundance forecasts.

For 2007, Council staff recommends one salmon management option hearing per coastal state, the same schedule as in 2006. The hearings would be:

March 26, 2007  Westport, Washington and Coos Bay, Oregon
March 27, 2007  Santa Rosa, California

In 2007, the March Council meeting will occur in Sacramento, California and the April Council meeting in Seattle, Washington. Therefore, the public comment period on Tuesday of the April meeting in Seattle also serves as a public comment opportunity. If the states desire to have additional hearings, we suggest they organize and staff them as was done in past years. The table below provides the public attendance at the hearing sites since 1995 for Council reference.

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1/ Sites in bold are proposed for Council staffing in 2007.
2/ Hearing staffed by state personnel.
Council Action:

1. Consider alternatives to achieve KFMC and KRTAT functions.
2. Confirm Council-staffed hearing sites and state intentions for additional hearings.
3. Approve staff's overall proposed schedule and process for developing 2007 ocean salmon management measures.

Reference Materials:

2. Agenda Item I.1.d, Public Comment.

Agenda Order:

a. Agenda Item Overview
b. Agency and Tribal Comments
c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
d. Public Comment
e. Council Action: Approve 2007 Preseason Management Schedule and Hearing Sites

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