TRIBAL COMMENTS ON PACIFIC SARDINE STOCK ASSESSMENT AND HARVEST GUIDELINE FOR 2007

For the 2007 sardine fishing season, the proposed Harvest Guideline for sardine’s coastwide will be at a level that will be sufficient for a tribal sardine “test” fishery to occur without any disruption to the non-Indian sardine fleet.

The tribes that are interested in participating in a sardine fishery should:
   1) Develop tribal regulations and procedures for 2007,
   2) Coordinate their fishing plans with the Northwest Indian Fisheries Commission.

Beyond 2007, the tribes will likely request an allocation of sardine and present their proposals to the PFMC Coastal Pelagic Species Tribal Allocation Committee.

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