

PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL SCHEDULE AND PROCESS FOR  
DEVELOPING 2007 OCEAN SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT MEASURES

- Nov. 12-17,  
2006 The Council and advisory entities meet at the Hilton Del Mar, Del Mar, California to: (1) adopt the management process and schedule for 2007 ocean salmon fisheries; (2) consider any changes to methodologies used in the development of abundance projections or regulatory options; (3) consider development of a genetic stock identification study design and exempted fishing permit; and (4) Consider adopting an amendment to the Salmon Fishery Management Plan to allow de minimis fisheries for Klamath River fall Chinook .
- Jan. 16-19,  
2007 The Salmon Technical Team (STT) and Council staff economist meet in Portland, Oregon to draft *Review of 2006 Ocean Salmon Fisheries*. This report summarizes seasons, quotas, harvest, escapement, socioeconomic statistics, achievement of management goals, and impacts on species listed under the Endangered Species Act. (February 5 print date, mailed to the Council February 22, and available to the public February 27.)
- Feb. 6-9 STT meets in Portland, Oregon to complete *Preseason Report I Stock Abundance Analysis for 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries*. This report provides key salmon stock abundance estimates and level of precision, harvest and escapement estimates when recent regulatory regimes are projected on 2007 abundance, and other pertinent information to aid development of management options. (February 15 print date, mailed to the Council February 22, and available to the public February 27.)
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Mar. 4 State and tribal agencies hold constituent meetings to review preseason abundance projections and range of probable fishery options.
- Feb. 27 Council reports summarizing the 2006 salmon season and salmon stock abundance projections for 2007 are available to the public from the Council office.
- Mar. 4-9 Council and advisory entities meet at the Doubletree Hotel Sacramento, Sacramento, California, to adopt 2007 regulatory options for public review. The Council addresses inseason action for fisheries opening prior to May 1 and adopts preliminary options on March 6, adopts tentative options for STT analysis on March 7, and final options for public review on March 9.
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Apr. 1 Management agencies, tribes, and public develop their final recommendations for the regulatory options. North of Cape Falcon Forum meetings are usually scheduled for around March 21-22 (Portland area) and March 27-28 (Seattle area).

- Mar. 20 Council staff distributes *Preseason Report II: Analysis of Proposed Regulatory Options for 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries* to the public. The report includes the public hearing schedule, comment instructions, option highlights, and tables summarizing the biological and economic impacts of the proposed management options.
- Mar. 26 and 27 Sites and dates of public hearings to review the Council's proposed regulatory options are: Westport, Washington (March 26); Coos Bay, Oregon (March 26); and Santa Rosa, California (March 27). Comments on the options will also be taken during the Council meeting on April 3 in Seattle, Washington.
- Apr. 1-6 Council and advisory entities meet to adopt final regulatory measures at the Seattle Marriott Hotel Sea Tac, Seattle, Washington. The *Preseason Report II: Analysis of Proposed Regulatory Options for 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries* and information developed at the Council meeting is considered during the course of the week. The Council will tentatively adopt final regulatory measures for analysis by the STT on April 3. Final adoption of recommendations to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) are scheduled to be completed on April 5.
- Apr. 7-12 The STT completes *Preseason Report III: Analysis of Council-Adopted Regulatory Measures for 2007 Ocean Salmon Fisheries*.
- Apr. 13-20 Council and NMFS staff completes required National Environmental Policy Act documents for submission.
- Apr. 20 Council staff distributes adopted ocean salmon fishing management recommendations, and *Preseason Report III* is made available to the public.
- May 1 NMFS implements federal ocean salmon fishing regulations.

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