

**HOOPA VALLEY TRIBAL COMMENTS ON
E.1 Tentative Adoption of 2013 Ocean Salmon Management Measures for Analysis**

The Hoopa Valley Tribe (HVT) has cautioned the Council regarding the allowance for fall commercial fisheries in the Klamath Management Zone. As the Council is aware, impacts occurring in these so called “credit card” fisheries have on occasion led to management constraints in the subsequent year’s fisheries. Generally, we are concerned that with the unprecedented abundances of Klamath River Fall Chinook (KRFC), the Council not depart from employing best management practices. The recurring allowance of fall fisheries should mandate the development of methods to anticipate impacts upon conservation needs and harvest opportunities in the subsequent management year.

With regard management of Klamath River Spring Chinook (KRSC), we note that the majority of these fish returning to the Klamath system are of Trinity River origin. The HVT has consistently advocated for consistent and comprehensive management of this unique resource. Presently, KRSC are subject to varied management approaches ranging from PFMC’s assumed “in the fishery” with Klamath River Fall Chinook approach to terminal fishery regulatory measures applied by tribal and state fishery managers. We’re advocating a coordinated effort among co-managers for identifying consistent objectives inclusive of habitat needs for KRSC. We are prepared to engage collectively with other Klamath-Trinity Basin co-managers in moving forward with alternatives for management.