

Klamath Fishery Management Council

Working to Restore Anadromous Fish in the Klamath River Basin

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Mr. Robert Treanor
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Dear Mr. Treanor:

The Klamath Fishery Management Council (KFMC) would like to take this opportunity to inform the California Fish and Game Commission on the results of our meeting of February 23-25, 2000, in Brookings Harbor, Oregon. We discussed, among other items, recommendations regarding this year's Klamath fall chinook fishery management options, including issues associated with the freshwater sport fishery.

The KFMC reached consensus on the following motion:


That any Klamath fall chinook that are agreed to be available for harvest and that are not used by ocean fisheries be allocated to the non-tribal Klamath in-river fishery in terms of maturing adult fish, such that:

- **This does not affect 50/50 fish-for-fish tribal/non-tribal sharing**
- **It meets natural spawner escapement objectives.**
- **It is intended that the ocean fishery allocations be finalized by the end of the April PFMC meeting for the California Fish and Game Commission's consideration.**

The KFMC attempted to develop a recommendation on the in-river sport fishery allocation, but was unable to reach consensus at this time.

We appreciate your consideration of these recommendations.

Sincerely,


Mary Ellen Mueller, Ph. D.
Chair