

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON
STATUS OF MODEL EVALUATION WORKGROUP

Both the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and Salmon Technical Team (STT) have been advocating the formation of a Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) to address issues related to the chinook and coho Fishery Regulation and Assessment Models (FRAM). The STT proposal (Exhibit B.6.b, Supplemental STT Report) differs considerably from the direction of earlier discussions that involved concepts similar to those outlined in Exhibit B.6. The SSC discussion of the two proposals was wide-ranging. However, there was not sufficient time available to reach a consensus. The SSC wants to continue these discussions and report to the Council in April. This report would:

- Summarize our view of the objectives of the MEW.
- Evaluate the two proposals currently before the Council (Exhibit B.6. and B.6.b, Supplemental STT Report).
- Suggest other potential approaches.
- Discuss the potential role of the SSC in the process.

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