

CONSERVATION OBJECTIVES FOR CENTRAL VALLEY WINTER AND SPRING CHINOOK

Situation: At its November 2002 meeting, the Council recommended the salmon fishery management plan amendment process for establishing conservation objectives for Central Valley winter and spring chinook be suspended for at least two years pending additional information on cohort analyses for the two stocks. The Council also requested the Sacramento River Winter and Spring Chinook Workgroup (Workgroup) continue to meet to develop the needed analyses, and report on their progress to the Council. The Workgroup met on December 9, 2002 and February 7, 2003 and developed preliminary estimates of impact rates for the 1998 and 1999 brood winter chinook. The report of the Workgroup includes recommendations for 2003 ocean salmon management measures (Exhibit B.8.b)

Council Action:

1. Consider recommendations of the Workgroup.

Reference Materials:

1. Report of the Sacramento River Winter and Spring Chinook Workgroup (Exhibit B.8.b).

Agenda Order:

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Report of the Sacramento River Winter and Spring Chinook Workgroup
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider Recommendations of the Workgroup

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