

SALMON FISHERY UPDATE

Situation: A summary of the management events for the 2003 salmon season (updated through August 15) is contained in Attachment 1. Through August 15, there have been three inseason management conferences to adjust fisheries. The first conference closed the commercial troll fishery north of Cape Falcon effective June 6. The second conference allowed fishing seven days per week in the recreational fishery between Cape Falcon and the Queets River effective July 25. The third conference call ended retention of coho in the Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt. recreational fishery effective August 19.

Mr. Dell Simmons, Chair of the Salmon Technical Team (STT), will provide detailed effort and harvest data for salmon fisheries through the end of August in his report to the Council (Exhibit F.1.a, Supplemental STT Report).

Council Task:

- 1. Discuss issues relevant to inseason management of salmon fisheries.**

Reference Materials:

1. Table F.1-1. Sequence of Events in Ocean Salmon Fishery Management through August 15, 2003 (Exhibit F.1, Attachment 1).
2. Status Report of the 2003 Ocean Salmon Fisheries off Washington, Oregon, and California (Exhibit F.1.a, Supplemental STT Report).

Agenda Order:

- a. Salmon Technical Team Report
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

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