

UPDATE ON PACIFIC SALMON COMMISSION COHO
FISHERY REGULATORY ASSESSMENT MODEL
FOR 2004 SALMON MANAGEMENT

Situation: Under the salmon methodology review agenda at its November 2003 meeting, the Council recommended the Coho Fishery Regulatory Assessment Model (FRAM) data sets be further refined and error checked in the Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) process before being implemented in 2004 Council area preseason planning. The Council recommended that if the states and tribes were satisfied with the technical modifications to the Coho FRAM and data sets for use in the Coho Technical Committee's Regional Coho Planning Model, no further review would be necessary by Council advisory bodies, and Council approval of the methodology would be implicit. The Council then directed the Salmon Technical Team (STT) to use the same version of the Coho FRAM and data sets as used by the PSC process for preseason planning of 2004 Council area fisheries.

The STT employed the revised Coho FRAM and data sets in their analysis of 2003 fishery management measures using projected 2004 abundance estimates and incorporated those results into Preseason Report I.

Council Task:

- 1. Discuss implications of modifications to the Coho FRAM and associated data sets.**
- 2. Provide guidance as needed for model implementation.**

Reference Materials:

1. Exhibit C.1.b, STT Report: Salmon Technical Team Comments on the Pacific Salmon Commission Regional Coho Planning Model.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion of PSC Coho FRAM Status for 2004

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