

MODEL EVALUATION WORKGROUP REPORT ON
SALMON METHODOLOGY REVIEW

Progress On Work Assignments

Last June the Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) identified several tasks and priorities for itself as a result of Council comments and direction. The first task identified was the completion of the detailed Fisher Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM) documentation. The MEW has made progress toward completion of the detailed documentation, but a draft report is not available at this time. We anticipate further progress on this assignment in the next few months, with a draft of the detailed documentation available for the March Council meeting.

Another task identified was to develop a FRAM Users Manual. The MEW felt that a Users Manual could be completed without impacting the FRAM documentation project. Substantial progress has been made on this document.

Lower priority tasks identified by the MEW include:

Developing a conversion methodology between coded-wire tag-based rebuilding exploitation rates and FRAM exploitation rates.

Development of a new FRAM report that directly estimates Individual Stock Based Management indices for southern U.S. fisheries.

Investigation of perceived inconsistencies in the Snake River fall index between areas north and south of Cape Falcon.

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