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PACIFIC SALMON COMMISSION Report

The 2005 Co-manager Meeting between the U.S. and Canadian membership on the Pacific Salmon Commission's Southern Panel was postponed.

The scheduled March 15th meeting was cancelled due to a delay in the development of 2005 stock abundance forecasts by Canada.

Subsequently, there have been several exchanges by our respective technical representatives on stock abundance forecasts and anticipated fishing levels. The chinook forecasts have undergone several modifications.

In general, the abundance forecasts for Canadian stocks and their subsequently fishing patterns are expected to be similar to last year.

The report by the Salmon Technical Team will provide the details of where these values stand this week.