

SALMON TECHNICAL TEAM COMMENTS ON
METHODOLOGY REVIEW PROCESS AND PRELIMINARY TOPIC SELECTION
FOR 2005

Chinook and Coho Fishery Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM) Documentation

The Salmon Technical Team (STT) and Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) should review the detailed technical documentation of the Chinook and Coho FRAMs upon completion this fall by the Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW).

Review of Klamath Ocean Harvest Model (KOHM) Contact Rates and Catch Projections

The STT suggests the SSC review the National Marine Fisheries Service analysis of the performance of the KOHM in projecting effort as part of the agency's review of consultation standards for California coastal chinook.

Oregon Coastal Natural Work Group Technical Appendix

At its November 2000 meeting, the Council recommended the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife prepare a technical analysis supporting the Oregon Coastal Natural Coho Work Group matrix. The SSC and STT should review the analysis prior to considering its adoption in a fishery management plan amendment.

Chinook FRAM Validation/Calibration

The Washington co-managers and appropriate MEW members intend to conduct a calibration and validation of the Chinook FRAM during the summer of 2005. The STT also recommends several significant modifications to the existing FRAM be considered during this process, including modeling of the West Coast Vancouver Island (WCVI) troll fishery to reflect changes from historical fishing patterns, conversion of preseason forecasts to ocean abundance projections, and representation of stocks that are not presently included in the model, particularly California and Oregon stocks that contribute to fisheries off Washington and the WCVI.

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