

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON
CLARIFY COUNCIL DIRECTION ON 2005 SALMON MANAGEMENT
MEASURES

The Enforcement Consultants have reviewed the information relating to the salmon management proposals and have the following comments:

In relation to the recreational fishery open periods for the area identified as Horse Mountain to Point Arena (Fort Bragg):

For a recreational fishery it is difficult to enforce a 10-day closure with a 2-day open period in the middle of the closure. This creates additional complexities in regulations, public awareness of open periods, and support through the courts in prosecuting violations. As a general practice, the Enforcement Consultants are opposed to this kind of management practice due to enforcement concerns.

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