

SUMMARY MINUTES
Enforcement Consultants
Pacific Fishery Management Council
Seattle Marriott Hotel Sea-Tac
Aberdeen Room
3201 South 176th Street
Seattle, Washington 98188
206-241-2000
March 6-10, 2006

MONDAY, MARCH 6, 2006 – 5:30 P.M.

A. Call to Order

Dave Cleary

Members in Attendance

CAPT Mike Cenci, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife
LT Dave Cleary, Oregon State Police
Mr. Brian Corrigan, 13th District, USCG
Mr. Otha Easley, Southwest Region, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration
(NOAA), Office for Law Enforcement (OLE)
Mr. Dayna Matthews, Northwest Region, NOAA, OLE
Ms. Vicky Nomura, Northwest Region, NOAA, OLE
Mr. Tony Warrington, California Department of Fish and Game

Others in Attendance

Mr. John Backus, Coast Guard Cutter (CGC) Fir, Base Tongue Point
Mr. Scott Boley, Commercial Salmon Fisherman
Mr. Hans Brubaker, Southwest Region, NOAA, OLE
Mr. Richard Chmielecki
Mr. Jeff Reeves, Commercial Salmon Fisherman
Mr. Jeff Samuels, Oregon State Police
Mr. Jim Seger, Staff, Pacific Fishery Management Council

B. Council Agenda Items for Possible Comment

The Enforcement Consultants' (EC) reports to the Council were as follows:

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON
FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT (FMP)—KRILL MANAGEMENT

The Enforcement Consultants reviewed the Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel statement, which includes concerns regarding standards for enforcement of a krill ban. Officers would be looking for indications that a person was actively trying to retain and utilize krill before pursuing a violation. Enforcement personnel would assume that since krill have such a low value no one would have any incentive to possess and retain the small amounts of krill that would likely show up as incidental catch in other fisheries.

C. Other Topics

At the June meeting there may be an enforcement report on VMS related activity.

D. Public Comment

The EC received public comment from Mr. Scott Boley and Mr. Jeff Reeves pertaining to weekly trip limit regulations (number of salmon per vessel per week) they were proposing for the commercial salmon fisheries south of Cape Falcon. Different limits would apply to different zones within the area. The main issue of concern was vessels transiting between zones and vessels fishing in two areas in one week. The main comment from enforcement was that the provisions should be simple and constrained. For example, the week should run on a calendar week basis and declaration of fishing area required. The infrastructure is in place to facilitate declarations to support the weekly limits.

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