

SALMON TECHNICAL TEAM REPORT ON
METHODOLOGY REVIEW PROCESS PRELIMINARY TOPIC SELECTION FOR 2007

The Salmon Technical Team (STT) believes the items below should be considered by the Council for review in the fall of 2007.

- 1) Chinook and Coho Fishery Regulation Assessment Models (FRAM). The coded-wire-tags (CWT) currently used to represent lower Columbia River wild coho and Chinook in the FRAMs should be reviewed. The practicality of adding new stocks to the FRAMs to represent these wild stocks should be explored.
- 2) The Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) has completed draft documentation of the FRAMs. The next task the MEW should undertake is sensitivity analyses of the FRAMs to major assumptions, including assumptions about incidental mortality and drop off rates in both mark selective and non-selective coho and Chinook fisheries.
- 3) The Northwest Fishery Science Center is preparing a report documenting the development of the Recovery Exploitation Rates currently used for Lower Columbia Wild tule Chinook stocks. The Scientific and Statistical Committee should review this report when it is completed.

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