

### Salmon Methodology Review

The Tribes are still very concerned about mark-selective fisheries for chinook and the ability of the chinook FRAM to project the impacts of any mark-selective fisheries. It has not been demonstrated that chinook FRAM can adequately deal with multi-year selective fisheries which are of extended duration and have the potential to significantly impact Puget Sound chinook stocks.

Also, the Tribes are concerned that our ability to make post-season estimates of stock-specific impacts to wild Chinook stocks will be jeopardized by any expansion of mark-selective fisheries for Chinook. There is currently no agreed upon methodology for estimating those impacts by selective fisheries, which impact multiple ages of a brood year over multiple years.

In addition the Tribes encourage the FRAM "modelers" to use the new base period expansion to include years 1986-1992 in the coho FRAM and the inclusion of additional stocks in the Chinook FRAM. The Tribes are also in agreement of use of additional CWT groups to represent Lower Columbia River Natural Tule Chinook stocks in the Chinook model.

The Tribes are committed to participating in the technical process required to develop and evaluate the tools needed for these analyses.