

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON IDENTIFICATION OF
MANAGEMENT OBJECTIVES AND PRELIMINARY DEFINITION OF 2008 SALMON
MANAGEMENT OPTIONS

Dr. Michael Ford presented the original and addendum to *Analyses to support a review of an ESA jeopardy consultation on fisheries impacting Lower Columbia River tule Chinook salmon*. The original document had been reviewed by the SSC salmon subcommittee (SSCSS) in October, 2007; however that document was not provided to the full Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) for review before the November 2007 meeting. Upon review, the SSC reiterates the points made in the November SSC(SS) statement. The SSC also requests better documentation of the method used to impute missing age data.

The addendum provides some additional analyses, the most pertinent for management consideration being new recovery exploitation rate (RER) estimates based on alternative treatment of age data and estimates of historical exploitation rates based on a new composite set of hatchery indicator stocks using coded-wire tags (CWT) recoveries. These further investigations have not changed the general conclusions from the original report. However, a number of further analyses are needed, many of which are planned or in progress. The “to do” list includes recommendations from the November SSC statement.

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