

SALMON TECHNICAL TEAM REPORT ON SALMON METHODOLOGY REVIEW

A list of priority candidate items that the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) may consider for the 2008 Salmon Methodology Review was adopted by the Council at the April meeting. The current status of these items is described as follows:

1. Sensitivity analysis of Chinook and Coho Fishery Regulation Assessment Models to major assumptions, including sensitivity to parameters related to mark-selective fisheries.
 - The Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW) has been working on this and is expected to have a report for the work session.
2. Development of a new stock abundance forecast for Sacramento River fall Chinook.
 - A report is in preparation and will be presented to the SSC.
3. Harvest forecast model for Sacramento River fall Chinook.
 - A report is in preparation and will be presented to the SSC.
4. September 1 maturity boundary (“birth date”) for Klamath River fall Chinook.
 - There has been no progress on this topic. The Salmon Technical Team is interested in this topic, however other priorities precluded work to date; the tag recovery data for the system is still in the process of being validated.
5. Lower Columbia River natural coho Endangered Species Act consultation standard.
 - The STT is not aware of any products that will be available for SSC review.

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