



MEMORANDUM

DATE: February 12, 2016
TO: Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup
FROM: Mike Burner, Staff Officer
SUBJECT: March Council Meeting

In conjunction with the March meeting of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council), the Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup (SRWCW) will meet on Tuesday, March 8, 2016 beginning at 1 p.m. The meeting will be held in the American River Room of the DoubleTree by Hilton Sacramento in Sacramento, California.

The focus of this initial meeting will be to review the status of Sacramento River winter Chinook, revisit the current harvest control rule, consider potential abundance indicators, discuss potential alternative harvest control rules, review the proposed process and schedule, and outline objectives and analyses for future work. The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) will be working closely with the SRWCW, and members of the SAS will likely attend your meeting.

Because this will be the first meeting of the SRWCW, we will have some administrative work to do at the onset. First, we will need to discuss the election of officers. The SRWCW Chair will primarily be responsible for meeting coordination and presenting SRWCW reports to the Council. Secondly, the SRWCW may want to identify one or more rapporteur whose task would be to capture notes from meeting and help draft a report for the Council. The Council is scheduled to hear about the results of your meeting under Agenda Item E.9 on Sunday, March 13. Workgroup member Dr. Michael O'Farrell is also on the Salmon Technical Team and is planning to attend the majority of the Council meeting and has volunteered to give this initial report to the Council.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance in the Council's salmon management process.

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Enclosures:

1. Agenda Item A.4 – Council Agenda
2. Agenda Item C.1 – Current Habitat Issues
3. Agenda Items E.9– Salmon Management
4. Agenda Item I.3 – Administrative Matters
5. Proposed SSC Agenda
6. Proposed SAS Agenda
7. Proposed STT Agenda
8. Proposed SRWCW Agenda
9. Hotel-related Information