## SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON THE ANCHOVY MANAGEMENT UPDATE

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) is concerned about expanded purse seining operations in the Columbia River estuary that are targeting larger amounts of anchovy than the smaller and more long-standing bait operations in the river. The SAS is mainly concerned about the strong potential for the bycatch of juvenile and adult salmon and Dungeness crab, but is also concerned about potential gear conflicts. These issues could be exasperated if seining operations in the estuary increase in the future.

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