

**SALMON MANAGEMENT ALTERNATIVES HEARING SUMMARY**

Date: March 27, 2017	Hearing Officer: Mr. Jeff Feldner
Location: Red Lion Coos Bay Coos Bay, OR	NMFS: <i>No representative present</i>
Attendance: 48	Coast Guard: LCDR Ben Crowell
Testifying: 12	Salmon Team Member: Mr. Craig Foster
	Council Staff: Ms. Robin Ehlke
Organizations Represented: Oregon Coast Anglers, Winchester Bay Chamber of Commerce.	

**Special Opening Remarks**

Mr. Jeff Feldner provided opening remarks for the hearing. Mr. Craig Foster reviewed Alternatives for the commercial and sport salmon seasons, and Alternatives for incidental halibut retention in the salmon troll fishery.

**Synopsis of Testimony**

Of the 12 people testifying:

- Eight commented primarily on the commercial troll fishery.
- Four commented on the recreational fishery.

**Commercial Troll Comments**

- Four were in support of Alternative I, two were in support of Alternative II and one was in support of Alternative III.
- Commercial choices are between space and time.
- Commercial 40-fathom line in September/October in place to help keep Klamath River fall Chinook intercepts low. Impacts can be significant during that time. Can the fleet be given the opportunity to decide on a season to fish, and risk accruing Klamath fall Chinook impacts that may reduce opportunity next year?
- Commercial Alternative III does not bode well when the Whiting fleets gets 10-20,000 salmon. No incidental fish for them if Alternative III is adopted.

**Recreational Comments**

- Four were in support of Alternative I.
- Extend sport season until quotas reached for mark-select fisheries, rather than end season based solely on date.

- Size limit for coho change (increased) in September sport- may be confusing for anglers since only for one month, but may help reduce intercepts with Klamath River fall Chinook that are small and initially misidentified as a coho. September coho are usually over 16 inches so shouldn't be a factor.

**Other public comments and group discussion topics:**

- Comment focused on using the same survey methods throughout the states of Oregon, Washington, and California. Review of how stream surveys are conducted to enumerate abundance of Klamath Chinook and account for fish that have strayed. Survey techniques used are designed to best fit each individual stream/river.
- The term 'over-fished' (from the Fish Management Plan) is not a representative term, need to use a different term so public understands that the status of any stock deemed over-fished is not solely due to harvest.
- Salmon Technical Teams work hard to figure things out. Members of Salmon Advisory Panel commended for hard work and dedication to commercial and recreational fisheries.
- Rain and snow on mountains are a good sign for things to come.
- Poor environmental conditions and disease are likely factors contributing to the decline in Klamath River Chinook.
- Predation on salmon by pinnipeds and avians continue to be a concern. PFMC does not have authority to manage these predators.

**Written Statements (Attached)**

PFMC  
04/06/17

March 24<sup>th</sup> 2017

To PFMC

To the Council members and the Salmon Advisory Sub- Panel. After group discussions at the Industry Group meeting and town hall meetings, and after reviewing the options brought forth for consideration from the last PMFC meeting we are in favor of OPTION 1. This will allow us the most time on the water to catch Salmon and allow purchasers of our Salmon to have it available for a longer period time. This also minimizes our impact on the Klamath stocks which we are in favor of doing for the future of the salmon industry.

Name (print)	Signature	Boat Name
<u>STERLING MORRIS</u>	<u>Sterling Morris</u>	<u>MURRELET</u>
<u>DELMAR GREE</u>	<u>DM</u>	<u>SILVER BEAR</u>
<u>Nathan Hoover</u>	<u>N Hoover</u>	<u>CHRISTIE LEE</u>
<u>CLAY ARCHAMBAULT</u>	<u>Clay</u>	<u>BESS CHET</u>
<u>TRACY HOOPER</u>	<u>Tracy</u>	<u>Grace Elizabeth</u>
<u>Larry Jindra</u>	<u>Larry Jindra</u>	<u>Cape Cleave</u>
<u>Bob Smith</u>	<u>Bob Smith</u>	<u>NORM JEON</u>
<u>DA GLESSOFF</u>	<u>DAN GLISSENDORF</u>	<u>EQUALIZER</u>
<u>DAN GOODELL</u>	<u>Dan Goodell</u>	<u>PHOENIX III</u>
<u>ROBERT BERNARD</u>	<u>Rob Bernard</u>	<u>FERRY-5</u>
<u>LARRY DAVIS</u>	<u>Larry Davis</u>	<u>TWO SISTERS</u>
<u>ALAN BARR</u>	<u>Alan Barr</u>	<u>MOLLY</u>

Name(print)	Signature	Boat name
Bob Rue		
Corey Feldner	Corey Feldner	Granville
RURT Nichols	Rurt Nichols	Islander
Allen Townsend	Allen Townsend	SUNWEST
DAVID HAWKINS	David Hawkins	FORTUNE
Pat Locke	Pat Locke	Kay
Lee Taylor	Lee Taylor	ANASIRI
Dustin Rando	Dustin Rando	LUNA
Wardell		
Doug Morrison	Doug Morrison	Temps
Joseph Thompson	Joseph Thompson	Ranger/ALCOA
Robert Anthony	Robert Anthony	F/V Liberty II
Bob Kemp	Bob Kemp	F/V MY LEE
Chris Cameron	Chris Cameron	F/V JOEL
Robin A. Ryzka	Robin A. Ryzka	AZALEA
Henry de Rodas	Henry de Rodas	New Dawn
KEVIN BASTIEN	Kevin Bastien	GAL
Butt Montague	Butt Montague	Dawn Venture
Richard Wood	Richard Wood	Delma Ann
MARK Newell	Mark Newell	F/V Silver Quest
Ken Nakazawa	Ken Nakazawa	Kiora

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Pacific Fishery Management Council

7700 NE Ambassador Pl. Suite 101

Portland, Oregon, 97220

RE: 2017 Salmon season;

For the Commercial Troll Management, I fully support Alternative 1 for South of Cape Falcon.

This option will give the fish protection and some limited time on the water for commercial Salmon fishermen. We need this option!



Darus Peake

FV North Shore

**From:** Mike Fitzpatrick <mbfitz@embarqmail.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** 2017 salmon season options

**Date:** Thu, Mar 23, 2017 5:21 pm

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Please submit the following to the hearing you will attend.

I own and operate the F/V Sea Rose out of Newport, OR. Most of my income is from salmon. I really need the opportunity offered in Option One to have a chance to meet the costs of moorage, insurance and safety gear mandated by the USCG for the coming year.

Thank you for your consideration.

Mike Fitzpatrick  
F/V Sea Rose

F/V Richard H

March 15, 2017

Mark Kemmish

111 SW 89<sup>th</sup> St.

South Beach Or 97366

chat2cat66@msn.com

PFMC,

I have been a fisherman for over 40 years.

During that time I have supported myself, my family, my hired crew and their families.

The majority of that was during the salmon seasons with a lot of days on the ocean.

Option 1, would give us the most time and still allow for a lower impact on the Kalamath River Fall Chinook. This option will give fishermen a better chance at sustaining a living, being North of Florence.

Please count me in for Option 1

Thank You, *Mark Kemmish*

**From:** Karen Salvey <karen.salvey@yahoo.com>

**To:** Newellseafoods <Newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** Voting for fishing options

**Date:** Tue, Mar 21, 2017 10:07 am

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Hi Mark,

This is Karen Salvey with the fishing vessel HenriettaW, Eli Icenogle called yesterday and said to contact you about voting on the options that ODFW has given to the fishermen.

My son Joe Salvey owns the HenrittaW and I have his POA, so we would like to vote for option 1.

Don will be running the boat and would like to be on your contact list for the latest updates.

Thank you,  
Karen

[karen.salvey@yahoo.com](mailto:karen.salvey@yahoo.com)



**From:** Daniel Snell <danielisnell@yahoo.com>

**To:** Newellseafoods <Newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** Salmon alternatives

**Date:** Wed, Mar 22, 2017 10:33 am

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Hi my name is Dan Snell. I have been a salmon Troller on the west coast for 30+ years. I have an Oregon Troll permit as does my Father Bob Snell. As long time fisherman we both feel that option 1 is the only viable option for us to have any degree of success in 2017. We ask that option 1 be approved by the council.

Thank you

Dan Snell fv Barbara Jo

Bob Snell fv Starwest

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

**From:** freezerboat48 <freezerboat48@gmail.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** 2017 Season

**Date:** Tue, Mar 14, 2017 5:28 pm

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Mark, my name is Mike Ziara the owner of F/V Ocean Home a 48 foot salmon/albacore freezer troller holding license for CA, OR, WA and AK. I would request any influence you and fishers have to support the greatness number of days on water in Oregon as possible during the final rule process for 2017. Thanks. Mike.

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** allan richardson <ajr98382@hotmail.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** Options

**Date:** Tue, Mar 14, 2017 5:47 pm

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Sent from my iPhone My name is Allan Richardson. I have the troller Saint Jude. I have been a full time salmon troller in Oregon and Washington since 1972 . I strongly support option one of the 2017 West Coast salmon season options. For Sam and trawlers to be viable it is important to have time on the water and the opportunity to travel to find fish. As a selective hook and line fishery the troller has the unique ability to concentrate on places where the runs are the strongest and avoid the areas of potential weak runs. The more opportunity available keeps this fleet and spread out and puts less pressure on other Fisheries. Please allow us the opportunity to fish more time. Please support option one for 2017 thank you Allan Richardson

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Evan and Christie Norbistrath <fvswan@yahoo.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** troll options

**Date:** Wed, Mar 15, 2017 7:54 pm

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Hi my name is Evan Norbistrath and I salmon troll in oregon and washington on the fishing vessel Swan.I want option number1.I want more time on the water.45 days is not enough time.We need the 90 day season so that we can eek out a season.yours truly Evan Norbistrath.

**From:** Carol Ritter <yachatsmon@icloud.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** Salmon

**Date:** Thu, Mar 16, 2017 9:43 am

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PFMC

I'm writing in support of option #1 for the commercial salmon season. More time on the water with less Klamath impact.

Thank you

Al and Carol Ritter

F/V Mickey

Sent from my iPhone

**From:** clint funderburg <fvkraken@hotmail.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** salmon season

**Date:** Fri, Mar 17, 2017 12:32 pm

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hi mark, please let any interested parties know that we support option 1 for the upcoming 2017 salmon troll season.

thanks

clint funderburg

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Sent from my iPhone

**From:** Greg Temple <blueinfinityzor@yahoo.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** salmon

**Date:** Mon, Mar 20, 2017 3:46 pm

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I, Greg Temple, an oregon commercial salmon fisherman am in favor of alternative 1 for the upcoming 2017 salmon season. I own the f/v Infinity. Alternative 1 gives us the most days on the water.

Thank you....

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android

**From:** Anthony Cummings <anthonymcumings59@yahoo.com>

**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>

**Subject:** commercial salmon season 2017

**Date:** Mon, Mar 20, 2017 4:56 pm

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F/V PC Hooker .

I vote for option 1 because it gives us more days to fish.

Sent from Yahoo Mail on Android



March 21, 2017

Alan Pazar  
Krab Kettle Seafood Market  
89487 Hwy 101 N  
Florence, OR 97439

PFMC  
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Chair and Council members,

I am a long-time commercial fisherman and have for the past 28 years retailed fresh troll salmon to customers here on the Oregon Coast. For those of us who provide Chinook salmon, the historically iconic seafood staple to eager consumers, there is only one Salmon Management Option for 2017 that makes sense: Option 1.

Option 1 allows the most days on the water for fisherman, and the most consistent supply of salmon for the marketplace. This option makes this public resource available fresh to the public nearly spring and summer long with only a few gaps that might be overcome with good purchasing planning.

Our seafood market, the Krab Kettle, has been providing fresh Oregon Coast seafood, including Chinook Salmon to our customers, both Pacific Northwest residents and visitors alike since 1962. It is truly a shame when we cannot have local salmon on our shelves.

I urge the PFMC to adopt Option 1, the only sensible option that offers the most opportunity for harvesters, retailers and consumers access to this icon of the Northwest.

Sincerely,

Alan Pazar

3/17/2017

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March 18, 2017

Mike Burner  
Pacific Fisheries Management Council

RE: E.5 2017 Salmon Season Adoption for Oregon

Dear Mike,

I represent a number of small boat salmon fishermen off the North Oregon Coast. Specifically I talked to **30 license holders** and asked their opinion on the proposed options for the **2017 Salmon** season. All were in favor of **option 1** for several reasons. The more time on the ocean gives them the needed opportunity to participate in an already possible limited season. Additionally, having September and October open is nearly essential for them to scratch out a positive cash flow for the year.

I know that fishing in any size vessel we need a season that provides time on the water due to weather and marketability of our product. **Option 1** appears to give us the needed opportunity.

Although, I do understand the dilemma of the fishermen that do not have the ability to move away from their home port, I feel for this year as restricted as it is **Option 1** will better serve the needs of the Oregon Salmon Fleet in its entirety for the 2017 Season.

Thank you,

Ray Monroe  
Pacific City, OR 97135

**From:** Remy Icenogle <rkicenogle@gmail.com>  
**To:** newellseafoods <newellseafoods@aol.com>  
**Subject:** Oregon Salmon Troll Season 2017  
**Date:** Mon, Mar 20, 2017 9:28 pm

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Good evening,

My name is Eli Icenogle. I fish in Oregon, and I own the Wild Opal. I would like to vote for Option 1 because it gives me the most days to fish.

Thank you for your time,  
Eli Icenogle  
503-369-7253