SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON SALMON METHODOLOGY REVIEW – FINAL TOPIC SELECTION

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) continues to request that the following topic be included in final list of items for 2018 Salmon Methodology Review:

• Conduct the technical analysis needed to inform a change of the salmon management boundary line from latitude 40°05' (Horse Mt.) five miles north to latitude 40°10'.

This boundary change has been proposed numerous times through public comment. The change would affect the salmon fishery off the California coast near the southern boundary of the Klamath Management Zone (KMZ).

In September 2017, the Salmon Technical Team (STT) reported (Agenda Item F.1.a) to the Council a summary of their initial conclusions regarding any potential effects of the proposed change. The STT stated that such a change would require a methodology review by the Scientific and Statistical Committee, since a change to harvest model methodology appeared to be necessary. At the April 2018 Council meeting, the SAS provided a statement (Agenda Item E.3.a) in support of a methodology review of this item in order to move this topic forward for 2019 implementation.

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