

**SALMON TECHNICAL TEAM REPORT ON
 STANDARDIZED BYCATCH REPORTING METHODOLOGY**

The Salmon Technical Team (STT) was briefed at their November 9 webinar by Council Staff Officer Brett Wiedoff on the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) final rule requiring all fishery management plans (FMPs) to establish a standardized reporting methodology to assess the amount and type of bycatch occurring in its fisheries. Following this briefing, the STT reviewed the Pacific Coast Salmon FMP and other relevant annual documents (Stock Assessment Fishery Evaluation [SAFE], Preseason Report II, Preseason Report III) for consistency with the NMFS final rule. Table 1 below represents the STT’s initial conclusions regarding the six review criteria provided in Agenda Item C.3, Attachment 2 as they relate to Council commercial troll and recreational salmon fisheries. The STT looks forward to continued conversations with Council staff, if necessary.

Table 1. Standardized bycatch reporting methodology review criteria as they relate to commercial troll and recreational salmon fisheries of the Pacific Coast Salmon FMP.

FMP/ Fishery	Contain SBRM?	Meet the Purpose?	Consider characteristics of bycatch?	Feasibility check?	Address data uncertainty?	Address data use?
Salmon/ Troll	Yes (3.5)	Yes (3.5)	Yes (3.5.3)	Yes	No	Yes (FMP 3.5.3; SAFE Table I-7; Pre-II Table 6; Pre-III Table 6)
Salmon/ Recreational	Yes (3.5)	Yes (3.5)	Yes (3.5.3)	Yes	No	Yes (FMP 3.5.3; SAFE Table I-7; Pre-II Table 6; Pre-III Table 6)