SALMON TECHNICAL TEAM REPORT ON RESEARCH AND DATA NEEDS

The Salmon Technical Team (STT) was briefed on the Research and Data Needs topic at their September 7, 2022 meeting. The STT supports changing the structure of the database into a new design that that will improve navigation and help identify and prioritize projects.

The STT supports maintaining status quo (every five years) for review frequency with the understanding that Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Operating Procedure 12 does allow for 'out-of-cycle' reviews if needed. Workload concerns and multi-agency coordination (timing and schedules) are two challenges that may hinder multi-party collaboration if reviews were required to occur more frequently.

The STT supports a process for determining priorities that is informed by the advisory bodies (ABs) and management teams (MTs) for their specific fishery management plan (Groundfish, Salmon, etc.) as well as the Scientific and Statistical Committee. The ABs/MTs should be allowed access to the database to so they can provide input on workflow and prioritization of topics.

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