

SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON  
WORKLOAD AND NEW MANAGEMENT MEASURE PRIORITIES

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) offers the following for consideration as workload and management priorities.

The SAS asks the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) to continue consideration of an increased incidental lingcod trip limit in the salmon troll fishery as part of the incidental open access fishery. The proposed increase in the incidental lingcod trip limit is not intended to change the overall quota available to the open access sector. This proposed increase in lingcod retention is limited to vessels equipped with vessel monitoring systems and geographically limited to waters north of 40°10' N. lat., where lingcod are above their population target. The SAS requests that the Council prioritize this important management measure and is interested in further coordination with the Council and the groundfish advisory bodies on implementation.

In addition, the SAS requests that reconsideration of VMS ping rate for salmon trollers be maintained on the current workload list. When a 1-hr ping rate is appropriate under the GMT's management measures and discretion of the Enforcement Consultants, the SAS would appreciate consideration of an exemption from current 15-minute ping rate.

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