

SALMON ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON  
FINAL 2024 PRESEASON MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE AND FRAMEWORK FOR  
CALIFORNIA CHINOOK FISHERIES

The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) reviewed the two options proposed for the 2024 public salmon hearing presented in the Situation Summary for this agenda item. The SAS recommends adopting the option that provides for in-person hearings for Washington and California (March 25, 2024) and an on-line hearing for Oregon (March 26, 2024). This appears to be the most efficient in terms of staffing the hearings with representatives from the National Marine Fisheries Service, U.S. Coast Guard, and Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC) staff.

While expedient for the short term, the SAS is committed to in-person meetings when possible, in order to acquaint the public with representatives from the Federal agencies and PFMC. The strength of the Council process is in engaging directly with decision makers and the various subject matter experts. These salmon hearings in each state provide that opportunity and it is unique to the salmon season setting process.

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