TENTATIVE ADOPTION OF 2024 MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR ANALYSIS

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) adopted three salmon management alternatives in March, which were published in Preseason Report II and sent out for public review. Summaries of the testimony heard at public hearings will be provided at the April Council meeting in supplemental reports (Agenda Item E.2.b).

Under this agenda item, the Council is scheduled to narrow the management alternatives to a single alternative for analysis by the Salmon Technical Team (STT). To allow adequate analysis before final adoption, the tentatively-adopted recommendations should resolve any outstanding conflicts and be as close as possible to the final management measures.

Any agreements by outside parties (e.g., North of Cape Falcon Forum, etc.) to be incorporated into the Council's management recommendations must be presented to the Council prior to adoption of the tentative options. Procedure also stipulates any new alternatives or analyses must be reviewed by the STT and the public prior to the Council's final adoption.

Management measures considered for adoption that deviate from Salmon Fishery Management Plan objectives will require implementation by emergency rule. If an emergency rule appears to be necessary, the Council must clearly identify and justify the need for such an action consistent with emergency criteria established by the Council (Attachment 1) and the National Marine Fisheries Service (Attachment 2).

The STT will check back with the Council on Sunday, April 7 (Agenda Item E.3) to clarify any questions or obvious problems with the tentative measures.

Council Action:

Adopt tentative 2024 ocean salmon management measures for analysis.

Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item E.2, Attachment 1: Emergency Changes to the Salmon FMP.
- 2. Agenda Item E.2, Attachment 2: FR 97-22094: Policy Guidelines for the Use of Emergency Rules.
- 3. Agenda Item E.2, Supplemental Attachment 3 Preseason Report II: Proposed Alternatives and Environmental Assessment - Part 2 for 2024 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations (Electronic Only).
- 4. Agenda Item E.2.a, Supplemental STT Report 1: Update on estimated impacts of the March 2024 Alternatives
- 5. Agenda Item E.2.b, Supplemental Public Hearing Reports 1 through 3: Summary of Public Hearings.
- 6. Agenda Item E.2.e, Supplemental SAS Report 1: Proposed 2024 Ocean Salmon Management Measures For Tentative Adoption.
- 7. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

- E.2 Tentative Adoption of 2024 Management Measures for Analysis
 - a. Update of Estimated Impacts of March 2024 Alternatives
 - b. Summary of Public Hearings
 - c. Recommendations of the U.S. Section of the Pacific Salmon Commission

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- d. North of Cape Falcon Forum Recommendations Tribes, Wa
 e. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- f. Public Comment
- g. **Council Action:** Adopt Tentative 2024 Ocean Salmon Management Measures and any Necessary Harvest Specifications for Collation and Analysis

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