ECOSYSTEM WORKGROUP REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

For this agenda item, the Ecosystem Workgroup (EWG) reviewed the proposed ecosystem management agenda items on the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance Summary (Agenda Item C.7, Attachment 1) and September Quick Reference (Agenda Item C.7, Attachment 2).

At the March 2024 Council meeting, the Council directed the EWG to broaden the application of the risk table methodology to include selected salmon stocks as described in Agenda Item H.2.a, Supplemental HC Report 1. In the Sacramento River Fall Chinook Ad-hoc Workgroup (WG) Report (Agenda Item E.1.a, SRWG Report 1), the workgroup states "that since this Council direction came after the WG's first meeting, the WG has not had the opportunity to fully discuss this topic and would look forward to a presentation from the EWG on elements of the risk table approach and the factors it considers, along with quantitative analyses associated with risk tables that might inform management measures or control rules." Therefore, the EWG requests a webinar with relevant salmon advisory body representatives in advance for the September Council meeting to explore the risk table utility in the Council's salmon fishery management framework.

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