

METHODOLOGY REVIEW – FINAL TOPIC SELECTION

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), with input from PFMC Staff Officer Angela Forristall and Salmon Technical Team (STT) Chair Michael O’Farrell (Southwest Fisheries Science Center), discussed whether there are items to propose for a 2026 Salmon Methodology Review. The SSC concurs with the STT that no items from the SSC April 2026 list nor any new items are ready for methodology review this year. The SSC recommends that the work to verify the documentation and methodology reported in the FMP for Chinook salmon reference points from the SRWG report [<https://pam.pcouncil.org/documents/srwg-report-addendum-pdf/>, pages 4-7] be reviewed by the full SSC in November, and does not see the need for separate review by the SSC Salmon Subcommittee given the straight-forward nature of the item. This information may provide valuable context regarding the amount and timeliness of the data underlying the reference points that drive the annual salmon management process.

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