

NOAA Fisheries' Proposed Hatchery Listing Policy and Proposed Endangered Species Act Listings for West Coast Salmonids

Public Meetings

Afternoon Practitioner Meetings

In each community, NOAA Fisheries will also provide additional opportunities for input from practitioners and affected stakeholders who work with the Endangered Species Act on a regular basis. NOAA Fisheries believes this is another important element in effective and responsive rule-making. Consequently, NOAA Fisheries will conduct an afternoon session (1:30 P.M. to 4:30 P.M.) in each community. The agenda and structure of these afternoon meetings will allow practitioners to discuss the subject proposals with NOAA Fisheries staff in small groups.

Attendance of the afternoon sessions will be on a pre-registration basis, and designed with the following practitioner and stakeholder participants in mind: tribal governments; forestry and agricultural interests; home builders and developers; the sport and commercial fishing community; the environmental community; the business community; utility and special districts; local government elected officials and their staff; other locally-based Federal and state agencies; and public interest groups.

How to Attend

Members of the public wishing to attend the evening open-house meetings will receive the notification through advertising, NOAA Fisheries Northwest Region's web page (<http://www.nwr.noaa.gov>), and information published in their community. There is no need to register; just drop in anytime during the course of the evening event.

To register for the *afternoon* meeting, please **send an e-mail to James Rapp at jquincey@earthlink.net**. If you do not have email access, you may send Mr. Rapp a note at 5845 NE 29th Avenue, Portland, OR 97211. **VERY IMPORTANT:** Please title your e-mail or the envelope of your mailed note: "NOAA Meeting Registration." Please include the following:

- Name
- Title and Affiliation
- Email address (or mailing address)
- Which location you plan to attend (e.g.: Wenatchee, Roseburg, etc.)
- Which of the 2 proposals you wish to discuss

Attendees will be informed by return e-mail (or letter) of the specific location and time of each session. Attendance at the afternoon session may be limited so please register as soon as possible.