

Advance Notice: Technical Workshop on Population Trends and Extinction Metrics

December 5th 2003, 9:30 to 4:30

**Northwest Fisheries Science Center Auditorium, 2725 Montlake Blvd East, Seattle
WA 98112**

For directions to the Center: go to <http://www.nwfsc.noaa.gov/> and look at Map/directions in the menu bar.

Workshop Purpose

This is a technical workshop to formally review scientific progress made by federal, state, tribal and independent scientists in estimating population trends and extinction metrics since the 2000 FCRPS Biological Opinion.

Meeting Format

The first half of the meeting will consist of 30 minute presentations by NMFS, Action Agency and independent scientists on research concerning estimation of salmonid population trends and extinction metrics. Those interested in giving a research presentation please contact Eli Holmes at Eli.Holmes@noaa.gov. This will be followed by a comment period for participants who want to make brief formal comment. Those planning to make comments are asked to limit their presentations to less than 10 minutes, and to bring two copies of their presentations for the use by two independent reviewers. If you wish to provide oral comments at the workshop please provide advance notice to Diane Tierney at 206-860-3338 or by e-mail to Diane.Tierney@noaa.gov. The formal comment period will be followed by a more informal discussion of the research presentations.

Supplemental Material

A draft paper will be posted on the site (<http://www.nwfsc.noaa.gov/events/workshops/techpaper.doc>) within 2 weeks, which summarizes the basic methods for estimating and presenting population trends and extinction risks for Columbia salmonids as used in the Biological Opinion, reviews the theoretical basis for the methods, and presents the extensive cross-validation work on the methods completed since the 2000 Biological Opinion.