

ISSUE MAP v.1

Fraser Forum Process for Fraser Salmon

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Issue	Description	Background	Points of Contention	Pathway Forward	Approved Action
<p>1. Chinook spring and summer 5(2) & spring 4(2) Conservation issues and management actions</p>	<p><60,000 but maybe at <30,000 pieces DFO considering a suite of issues to deal with this issue.</p>	<p>DFO proposes a number of actions each year and presents to FN at Forum.</p>	<p>The main points of contention will be with and amongst FN. Also recreational sector and commercial sectors.</p> <p>Licensing for recreational fisheries</p>	<p>Discuss rebuilding for stocks local to Vancouver Island and marine approach (less reliance on Fraser stocks if rebuild local stocks)</p> <p>FN want to know what management actions are being taken in other sector and how they affect aboriginal rights</p> <p>FN need to know what DFO is recommending for 2012 management measures, the technical rationale, and what other management zone actions would look like (e.g. Zone 1 precautionary management).</p> <p>FN need to know what management actions will be taken in marine/approach areas to protect 4-2 chinook.</p> <p>More information is needed for Chinook management, and data gaps must be identified.</p> <p>DFO must honor and respect</p>	<p>Ceremonial/symbolic first fish ceremonies (being mindful of conservation efforts for stocks of concern).</p> <p>Media campaign to promote conservation of spring 4-2 chinook.</p>

				<p>conservation efforts made by First Nations (e.g. moratorium on spring 4-2 chinook fisheries by marine groups). When actions are taken by First Nations, this should trigger closures in other sectors.</p> <p>Must get the Province involved in fisheries processes.</p>	
2. Early Stuart conservation measures	Currently the exp. rate is set at 10%.	E. Stuart sockeye face major conservation measures for the past 20 years. Currently the exp. rate set at 10%	UFFCA FN, traditional FN fisheries in lower Fraser, and test fisheries.		
3. Early Summer sockeye conservation measures	Currently Early summer have been offered a one week window closure at the tail end of the Early Stuart window closure.	For the past 3 years the Early Summers have had a one week window closure but there have been some issues with this approach perhaps it's time to revisit this issue.	UFFCA, Thompson FN, lower fraser FN fisheries, PST – FN exemption.		
4. Chum Management measures	DFO is proposing a suite of Chum management measures	Exploitation rates have been perceived as excessive and LFFN want more access	Commercial fisheries		
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<p>5. FRSSI process Stock movement</p>	<p>FRSSI has decided that it may want to move some of the stocks from one grouping to another</p>	<p>FRSSI has been in existence since 2003/4 and been used explicitly since 2006</p>	<p>Understanding the technical underpinnings of the FRSSI process.</p> <p>Tension between aggregates i.e. lumpers and splitters</p> <p>Dealing with cyclic stocks</p> <p>Consultation with affected FN, i.e. Secwepemc FN possibly others.</p>		
<p>6. Late summer sockeye management</p>	<p>Conservation of Lates runs include Cultus and Harrison</p>	<p>Cultus Lake sockeye have been in recovery mode since 2002-4.</p>	<p>Is enough being done?</p> <p>Impact of harvest management has had an effect on coastal communities and lower Fraser FN.</p>		
<p>Recreational fisheries</p> <p>Mortality from catch and release fisheries, by-catch</p>					<p>Area/species based licensing</p> <p>Limit the fisheries of recreational guide boat operators</p> <p>Increased monitoring/improved monitoring methods for recreational fisheries</p> <p>Differentiate between individual recreational fishers and large recreational fishing operations</p>

					<p>Local First Nations issuing permits for recreational fisheries in their areas</p> <p>Bring the Province into this process</p> <p>Clarify the impacts of special recreational fishing events, such as family weekends and “Rod Days”</p> <p>Move to artificial bait for recreational fisheries – bait ban</p> <p>Condition of license – recreational fishers contribute funding for DNA testing, monitoring, enhancement, etc. Possibly increase Chinook tag fee that goes back to the PSF for habitat work, etc. (must consider user fee act in terms of increasing general license fees, but could possibly increase Chinook tag fee)</p> <p>Chinook tag fee – extend to other species (First Nations tax on recreational licenses, funding that goes back into the regions?)</p> <p>First Nations monitoring recreational fisheries in their own territories</p>
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Effects of fish farms (all species)

Support for hatcheries/work with First Nations on prioritizing resources

Habitat, stream restoration, etc.

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