

Fraser and Approach Salmon Forum

Hosted by Fraser Salmon Management Council & Fisheries & Oceans Canada

Final Agenda

April 4 - 6, 2023 | Songhees Event Centre (1100 Admirals Rd – Victoria) / Livestream

Materials: <https://frasersalmon.ca/2023-forum/>

Zoom: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/692131089>

Objective for Forum 3:

The intent of this meeting is to provide another opportunity for discussion to inform guidance into the draft 2023/2024 IFMP for southern BC salmon, to continue discussions on fishery planning for 2023, and to provide process updates. This is the final of three Tier 2 Forum meetings this planning season.

Day 1: Tuesday, April 4	
8:30 - 9:00 (Tier 1)	Social <i>A chance to sign in, make sure your system is working, say hello and update your profile with your name and affiliation.</i>
9:00 - 9:45 (Tier 1)	Getting Started <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Welcome• Opening Prayer• Agenda Review and Meeting Protocols – <i>Marcel Shepert</i>• Introductions
9:45 - 10:30 (Tier 1)	Tier 1 Debrief - JTWG reps <ul style="list-style-type: none">• ID emerging issues, priorities, time sensitive matters, technical questions.
10:30 - 10:45	Break
10:45 - 12:00	Tier 1 Discussion
12:00 - 1:00	Lunch (First Nations & DFO)
1:00 – 1:25 (Tier 2)	Welcome DFO – Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">- Introductions- Brief overview of Tier 1 discussions & identification of parking lot items for discussion later in the Forum if time permits
1:25 - 1:45 (Tier 2)	Action Item Tracker Review – <i>Greg Witzky, FSMC & Matthew Parslow, DFO</i>

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	- <i>Review progress/response to items identified during 2023 Forums</i>
1:45 – 2:45	Draft 2023 IFMP Chum, Coho & Steelhead (TBD)
2:45 to 3:00	Break
3:00 – 4:00 (Tier 2)	PSSI Updates (TBD, DFO) - Update on work associated with the Harvest Transformation Pillar <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - First Nations - Commercial - Recreational - Salmon Allocation Policy update
Evening	Social Events. Details to be shared.

Day 2: Wednesday, April 5	
8:30 to 9:00 (Tier 2)	Social <i>Sign in, system check, say hi & update your profile (name and affiliation).</i>
9:00 to 9:15	Recap of key points from Day 1 – Marcel Shepert
9:15 to 10:30 (Tier 2)	Draft 2023 IFMP Fraser Chinook (Mike Hawkshaw, DFO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Management objectives • Proposed 2023 management changes/questions • MM/MSF update • Next steps & planning/decision timelines FSMC/B Update re 2023 Planning - FSMB Panel <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • FSMB role in 2023 planning/decision on Summer 52s • Technical work in progress/planned • Discussion on MM/MSF fisheries and pilots
10:30 to 10:45	Break
10:45 to 11:15 (Tier 2)	Draft 2023 IFMP Fraser Chinook (Mike Hawkshaw, DFO) Continued discussion.
11:15 to 12:00 (Tier 2)	Draft 2023 IFMP Fraser Sockeye & Pink (Colin Schwindt, DFO) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Proposed management measures/escapement plan options
12:00 to 1:00	Lunch (First Nations & DFO)

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1:00 to 2:15	Tier 1 Discussion - Open dialogue to ID issues
2:15 to 2:30	Break
2:30 to 3:30	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tier 1 Continued - Focus to ID priorities, points of consensus. Potential for tech folks to meet separately? What direction would they need?

Day 3: Thursday, April 6	
8:30 to 9:00 (Tier 2)	Social <i>A chance to sign in, make sure your system is working, say hello and update your profile with your name and affiliation.</i>
9:00 to 9:15	Recap of key Tier 1 points from Day 2 – Marcel Shepert
9:15 to 10:30 (Tier 2)	Facilitated Dialogue <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • What DFO Heard: Key 2023 planning issues identified at this Forum • Response: Next steps for DFO, FSMC/B & individual participants • Key planning/decision deadlines
10:30 to 10:35	Break (Short)
10:35 to 11:15 (Tier 2)	Forum Renewal Check-in and Next Steps (<i>Marc Labrie, West Coast Aquatic</i>) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Status of discussions • Initial observations • Next steps for the work
11:15 to 12:00 (Tier 2)	Tier 1 – Focused Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Next steps • Assign actions • Frame any consensus advice
	Attendees on their own for lunch

Forum Facilitator:

Marcel Shepert is your friendly facilitator, a Fraser Panel member and the chair of the Salmon Co-coordinating Committee. He is the facilitation coordinator for the Upper Fraser Fisheries Conservation Alliance and the Independent Chair of the Fraser Salmon Management Board

FSMC Speakers (TBD)

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Mike Staley is a senior biologist for the FSMC. He is the Co-Chair of the Joint Technical Working Group (JTWG) and the FSMB Joint Technical Committee (JTC).

Greg Witzky is the Executive Director of the FSMC.

DFO Speakers (TBD):

Colin Schwindt is a DFO Resource Management Biologist in the Fraser & Interior Area (FIA)

Jeff Grout is the Director of Salmon & Business Services for DFO Pacific Region and a DFO delegate to the Fraser Salmon Management Board.

Les Jantz is the Canadian Chair of the Fraser Panel and DFO Co-Chair of the Joint Technical Committee.

Matthew Parslow is the Department's Senior Implementation Advisor for the Fraser Salmon Collaborative Management Agreement.

Madeline Thomson is a DFO Resource Management Biologist in the Fraser & Interior Area (FIA) and Co-Chair of the Joint Technical Working Group (JTWG)

Mike Hawkshaw is the Regional Salmon Manager for DFO.

Upcoming Forums:

- Details to come for 2023-24!

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Acronyms & definitions:

AABM	Aggregate Abundance-Based Management
AAROM	Aboriginal Aquatic Resource and Oceans Management
AFS	Aboriginal Fisheries Strategy
ATP	Allocation Transfer Program
BBL	Big Bar Landslide
BCSRIF	BC Salmon Restoration & Innovation Fund
CCTAC	Canadian Commercial Total Allowable Catch
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COHO ABM	Coho Abundance-Based Management
COSEWIC	Committee for the Status of Endangered Wildlife in Canada
CPUE	Catch Per Unit Effort
CRRI	Chinook Rebuilding & Recovery Initiative
CSAB	Commercial Salmon Advisory Board
CSAF	Commercial Salmon Allocation Framework
CSAS	The Canadian Science Advisory Secretariat
CU	Conservation Unit
CWT	Coded Wire Tag
DBE	Difference Between Estimates
DU	Designatable Unit
ECVI	East Coast Vancouver Island
ER	Exploitation Rate
ESSR	Excess Salmon to Spawning Requirements
FMI	Fisheries Mortality Index
FNFC	First Nations Fishery Council
FRAM	Fisheries Regulation Assessment Model
FRIM	Fisheries Related Incidental Mortality
FRP	Fraser River Panel
FRPTC	Fraser River Panel Technical Committee
FRSSI	Fraser River Sockeye Spawning Initiative
FSC	Food, Social and Ceremonial
FSMB	Fraser Salmon Management Board
FSMC	Fraser Salmon Management Council
FSCMA/CMA	Fraser Salmon Collaborative Management Agreement
IC	Incident Command, FSMB's Independent Chair
IFMP	Integrated Fisheries Management Plan
IFR	Interior Fraser River
IHPC	Integrated Harvest Planning Committee

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IMAWG	Island Marine Aquatic Working Group
IRMA	Indigenous Resource Management Agency (e.g. AAROMs)
ISMB	Individual Stock-Based Management
ITQ	Individual Transfer Quota
JdF	Juan de Fuca
JTC	Joint Technical Committee
JTWG	Joint Technical Working Group
LAER	Low Abundance Exploitation Rate
LFFA	Lower Fraser Fisheries Alliance
LRP	Lower Reference Points
MA	Management Adjustment
MM	Mass Marking
MSF	Mark-Selective Fishery
MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
MU	Management Unit
PICFI	Pacific Integrated Commercial Fisheries Initiative
PSC	Pacific Salmon Commission (www.psc.org)
PSSI	Pacific Salmon Strategic Initiative
PST	Pacific Salmon Treaty
RPA	Recovery Potential Assessment
SAP	Salmon Allocation Policy
SARA	Species at Risk Act
SEF	PST Southern Endowment Fund
SEP	Salmon Enhancement Program
SFAB	Sport Fishing Advisory Board
SFAC	Sport Fish Advisory Committee
SMU	Stock Management Unit
SoG	Strait of Georgia
SSI	Salish Seas Initiative
TAC	Total Allowable Catch
TAM	Total Allowable Mortality
UFFCA	Upper Fraser Fisheries Conservation Alliance
WCVI	West Coast Vancouver Island
WSP	Wild Salmon Policy