



2025 Fraser Forum #2

Getting Started

Presentation to Forum
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Outline

- Fraser Forums status check
- Key themes
- Forum Renewal
- Collaboration Guidelines



Fraser Forums

Critical for our shared learning and the co-production of knowledge to inform Fraser salmon conservation and decision-making

- Evolving
- Tool in the Fraser Salmon co-governance and co-management tool kit
- Safe space:
 - to practice principles of collaboration; UNDRIP, and Reconciliation
 - to integrate Indigenous knowledge with western science
 - to create feedback loops and explore adaptive management

Shared Learning & Co-production of Knowledge

Forum 1:

- DFO 2024-2025 post-season information sharing
- Introduced 2025-2026 FSMB plans and priorities before draft IFMP is released

Forum 2:

- Informed dialogue between FSMB, DFO, and Nations on 2025-2026 Fraser salmon management approaches
- Shared understanding to inform the development of IFMP responses before April 4th 2025, deadline

Forum 3:

- FSMB & DFO share feedback on draft IFMP responses
- Shared understanding of 2025-2026 management plans and actions

Key themes for Fraser Forums Discussions in 2025

- Forum Renewal
- Transparency, Accountability, and Awareness
- Chinook 5 (2) management approaches
- Sockeye Escapement Planning

Forum Renewal

- Iterative and evergreen approach –small changes and additions over the 2025-2026 Forum cycle
- Is a key focus for the Forum Planning Committee – subject to the capacity and resource levels of both DFO and the FSMC
- Dependent on participant feedback



Forum #2 Additions

- Getting Started Presentation
 - Formal tracking of [action items from Forum 1](#)
- Sharing presentation objectives on the Agenda
- Recording daily action items
- Sharing Forum Outputs
- Integration of graphic notes, formal meeting minutes and FSMC /DFO notes into “What we heard”



Collaboration Guidelines

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- Being hard on the issues and not on the people
- Being respectful of everyone's time
 - Clear & concise to allow for sharing of time
 - Stick to the agenda
 - Stay on topic
- Actions are identified when a proposed task is requested AND acknowledged as such, otherwise, it is flagged as a request
- Seek to provide solutions – be constructive, not critical
- Lean on meeting purpose and agenda item objectives to support meaningful discussion

