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Subject: GSI Estimate of stock group contributions to the 2003 Willapa Bay Chinook Fishery

We have completed the allozyme analysis of 225 Chinook salmon samples (03XA) collected from the Willapa Bay Chinook fishery between July 22 and August 8 (Table 1). Allozyme-based maximum likelihood estimates of stock contributions to this fishery were calculated using the program SPAM (version 3.6; Debevec et al. 2000) and results are presented in Table 2.

Thirty-nine loci (includes three pairs of isoloci) were screened in all sampled fish and 30 loci (includes 2 pairs of isoloci) were used for mixture analyses (Table 1). A 112-stock baseline was used for the simulations and in calculating the fishery estimates (Table 3). The baseline stocks data were a subset of the coast-wide, 265-stock Chinook salmon data set produced by a consortium of agencies and maintained by National Marine Fisheries Service staff (Teel et al. 1999). Nine loci were excluded from mixture analysis because they could not be resolved in all fishery samples or baseline data did not support them for all stocks.

Results of the stock composition analysis revealed that the highest portion of the catch was from the south Washington coast stock group ($70.8\% \pm 5.1\%$). This south Washington coast stock group was divided into two independent reporting groups (Grays Harbor and Willapa Bay) for a re-analysis, which resulted in estimates of $13.2\% \pm 5.5\%$ for Grays Harbor and $57.7\% \pm 7.1\%$ for Willapa Bay stock groups. The second highest portion of the catch was from lower Columbia River ($14.7\% \pm 2.9\%$) stocks. This reporting group was divided into the lower Columbia River ESU group and a group including Spring Creek Hatchery, Big Creek Hatchery, and Abernathy Hatchery "tule" fall stocks. Results from the second analysis revealed that $2.4\% \pm 2.7\%$ of the catch was from the lower Columbia ESU group and $12.2\% \pm 3.2\%$ was from the hatchery Spring Creek-origin tules group. Four other major stock groups (California, Oregon Coast, upper Columbia River Summer/Fall and Snake River Fall, Puget Sound ESU) had estimates below 5.0%.

These results indicate that greater than half of the Chinook harvested in this fishery were from Willapa Bay while approximately 20% of the harvest was Chinook heading for Columbia Basin areas.

We conducted a small number of simulations to evaluate the ability of the baseline to estimate stock-group contributions in specific mixtures. The results of these simulations gave us confidence that the fishery composition estimates documented in Table 2 were likely to be both reliable and reasonably accurate.

Also, we initially calculated the fishery stock composition by including 17 additional baseline stocks from three major stock groups (mid-Columbia spring-run, lower Fraser River and Vancouver Island fall-run, and Thompson River summer-run). No contributions ($0\% \pm 0\%$) were estimated from these three stock groups; therefore the 17 baseline stocks were removed from the final data set.

A more detailed presentation of the methods and results of this analysis will be available as a WDFW Genetics Laboratory Report in the near future.

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Table 1. Sampling dates and number of Chinook collected from the Willapa Bay fishery in 2003 and the 30 loci used for the analysis.

Date	Number of Samples Collected	Loci Screened
22-Jul	12	<i>mAAT-1</i>
23-Jul	2	<i>sAAT-1,2</i>
30-Jul	55	<i>sAAT-3</i>
31-Jul	42	<i>ADA-1</i>
7-Aug	65	<i>ADA-2</i>
8-Aug	49	<i>mAH-4</i>
Total	225	<i>FDHG</i> <i>GPI-A</i> <i>GPI-B2</i> <i>GPI-r</i> <i>GR</i> <i>mIDHP-2</i> <i>sIDHP-1</i> <i>sIDHP-2</i> <i>LDH-C</i> <i>mMDH-2</i> <i>sMDH-B1,2</i> <i>sMEP-1</i> <i>MPI</i> <i>PEP-A</i> <i>PEPB-1</i> <i>PEP-LT</i> <i>PGDH</i> <i>PGK-2</i> <i>PGM-1</i> <i>PGM-2</i> <i>sSOD-1</i> <i>TPI-4</i>

Table 2. Stock composition estimates (percent contribution \pm 1 standard error) for Chinook salmon sampled from the 2003 Willapa Bay fishery. Genetic data were analyzed using the SPAM computer program (Debevec et al. 2000) to estimate the contributions of major stock groups using 30 loci and a 112-stock baseline (Table 3).

Stock Groups	Year (collection code)	
	Total N=	2003 (03XA)
Sacramento River	225	0.1% (\pm 1.2)
California Coast and Klamath River		3.0% (\pm 2.3)
Oregon Coast		4.8% (\pm 3.4)
Lower Columbia River ESU		2.4% (\pm 2.7)
Spring Creek Hatchery Tule's		12.2% (\pm 3.2)
Willamette River SP run ESU		0.4% (\pm 0.9)
Upper Columbia River SU/F and Snake River F		4.6% (\pm 2.2)
North Washington Coast and Hoko River		0.0% (\pm 0.0)
Puget Sound ESU		1.6% (\pm 1.4)
Grays Harbor		13.2% (\pm 5.5)
Willapa Bay		57.7% (\pm 7.1)

Estimates using combined stock reporting groups- California (Sacramento River and California Coast + Klamath River); Lower Columbia River Total (Lower Columbia River ESU and Spring Creek Hatchery Tule's); and South Washington Coast (Grays Harbor and Willapa Bay).

Stock Groups	Year (collection code)	
	Total N=	2003 (03XA)
California	225	3.2% (\pm 2.6)
Oregon Coast		4.8% (\pm 3.4)
Lower Columbia River Total		14.6% (\pm 2.9)
Willamette River SP run ESU		0.4% (\pm 0.9)
Upper Columbia River SU/F and Snake River F		4.6% (\pm 2.2)
North Washington Coast and Hoko River		0.0% (\pm 0.0)
Puget Sound ESU		1.6% (\pm 1.4)
South Washington Coast		70.8% (\pm 5.1)

Table 3. The 11 stock groups and 112 baseline collections used for the analysis.

Stock Group	Baseline Stock
Sacramento River	Mokelumne and Nimbus Hatcheries Merced Hatchery Feather Hatchery Fall Feather Hatchery Spring Coleman Hatchery Upper Sacramento River Winter
California Coast and Klamath River	Mattole River Van Duzen River Salmon Creek Redwood Creek Benbow Creek Hollow Tree Creek Mid Fork Eel River Mad River Hatchery North Fork Mad River Redwood Creek Iron Gate Hatchery Trinity Hatchery Fall Trinity Hatchery Spring Salmon and Scott Rivers Shasta River and Bogus Creek South Fork Trinity River Rowdy Creek Hatchery Mid fork Smith River
Oregon Coast	Winchuck River Chetco River Pistol River Hunter Creek Cole Rivers Hatchery Applegate River Rogue River at Gold Hill Euchre Creek Elk River and Elk River Hatchery Sixes River South Fork Coquille River Coquille River and Bandon Hatchery Millicoma River Morgan Creek Hatchery Noble Creek Hatchery Rock Creek Hatchery Spring Rock Creek Hatchery Fall West Fork Smith River (Umpqua Basin) Siuslaw River Alsea River Fall Creek Hatchery Siletz River

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Stock Group	Baseline Stock
Oregon Coast continued	Trask Hatchery Spring Trask Hatchery Fall Nehalem River
Lower Columbia River ESU	Cowlitz Hatchery Spring Cowlitz Hatchery Fall Kalama Hatchery Spring Kalama Hatchery Fall Lewis Hatchery Spring Lewis River Fall Sandy River Spring Sandy River Fall
Spring Creek Hatchery Tule's	Spring Creek and Big Creek Hatcheries
Willamette River SP run ESU	Mckenzie and Dexter Hatcheries Mckenzie River North Santiam River Clackamas Hatchery North Fork Clackamas River Marion Forks Hatchery
Upper Columbia River SU/F and Snake River F	Klickitat River Summer Klickitat River Fall Bonneville Hatchery Little White Salmon Hatchery Deschutes River Yakima River Marion Drain Hanford Reach Priest Rapids Hatchery Wells Hatchery Wenatchee River Similkameen River Methow River Lyons Ferry Hatchery (Snake R. Fall)
North Washington Coast and Hoko River	Quinault Hatchery Queets River Hoh River Sol Duc Spring Hoko River

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Stock Group	Baseline Stock
Puget Sound ESU	Elwha River North Fork Nooksack Hatchery and River South Fork Nooksack River Skagit Hatchery Spring Skagit River Fall Sauk River Summer Suiattle River Sauk River Spring Cascade River Skagit River Summer North Fork Stilliguamish River Skykomish River Summer Bridal Veil Creek Skykomish Hatchery Fall Wallace River Sultan River Snoqualmie River Green River Hatchery Puyallup Hatchery White River Hatchery Spring South Prairie Creek Deschutes Hatchery Hoodspout Hatchery
Grays Harbor	Wynoochee River and Hatchery Wishkah River East Fork Satsop River Skookumchuck River Spring Humptulips Hatchery
Willapa Bay	Naselle Hatchery

