

AGENDA



Puget Sound Salmon Fishing Virtual Town Hall

Jan. 30, 2024
Virtual

6 p.m. – 8 p.m.

Meeting called by

Mark Yuasa and Samantha Montgomery

Attendees:

Kelly Susewind, Kelly Cunningham, Mark Baltzell, Kyle Adicks, Dr. Simonsen, Dr. Derek Dapp, Dr. Marisa Litz, Nathan Pamplin, and other Fish Program Division staff

6:00 – 6:15

Opening remarks

Welcome and Introduction of WDFW staff | **Director of External Affairs Nathan Pamplin**

Heritage of Puget Sound salmon fishing, connections to nature and waters close to populated areas, healthy foods, and regional quality of life. Need to balance fishing opportunities with conservation and co-management requirements. Contributions to economics of small communities | **Director Kelly Susewind**

Welcome and Introduction | **Fish Program Director Kelly Cunningham**

Overview and timeline of salmon season setting process | **Intergovernmental Salmon Manager Kyle Adicks**

6:15 – 6:40

Salmon topics

Ocean Condition Dashboard | **Dr. Marisa Litz**

Example of a mixed stock fishery | **Kyle Adicks**

Update on Puget Sound Chinook Harvest Management Plan and status of the Stillaguamish payback provision | **Kyle Adicks**

FRAM Overview, Abundance based management objectives, and preseason fishery planning | **Dr. Derek Dapp**

6:40 – 6:55

2023 salmon fishing season re-cap

Marine Area 7 (San Juan Islands); Marine Area 9 (Admiralty Inlet); Marine Area 10 (Seattle/Bremerton Area); Marine Area 11 (Tacoma-Vashon Island) | **Dr. Kirsten Simonsen**

Providing balanced seasonal coho recreational fishing opportunities with limited available Chinook fishing opportunities | **Dr. Kirsten Simonsen**

6:55 – 7:20

2024 salmon fishing season outlook

Opportunities/Discussion | **Dr. Kirsten Simonsen and Mark Baltzell**

Choices/Priorities for Fishing Time/Places | **Dr. Kirsten Simonsen and Mark Baltzell**

LOAF “List of Agreed Fisheries” and In-Season Management | **Mark Baltzell and Dr. Kirsten Simonsen**

7:20 – 7:30

Future

Mobility of anglers; lots of opportunities; and fisheries management challenges of forecasting ‘fleet’ effort | **Dr. Kirsten Simonsen and Mark Baltzell**

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Public input

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