
From: Jones, Rob <rjones@nwifc.org>
Sent: Monday, April 12, 2021 12:05 PM
To: James Dixon - NOAA Federal
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Subject: Re: Barry for a Skagit meeting

I think those are exactly the perspectives that co-managers are looking to discuss. I'll get you a meeting invitation ASAP.

Thanks James,
Rob

On Mon, Apr 12, 2021 at 11:59 AM James Dixon - NOAA Federal <james.dixon@noaa.gov> wrote:
Rob,

While Barry still does not see a clear role for NOAA, as we understand the on-going issues in the Skagit, he is prepared to speak to two issues related to them.

- 1) Current tribal negotiation: That this is a harvest mgmt issue and that this is squarely in the manager's hands. Implications of non-agreement in Skagit threaten to postpone or eliminate all fishing in Puget Sound.
- 2) Alternative rate limit for 2021: Deviating from biologically based, co-manager proposed, conservation limits to fisheries, is not a prudent decision, particularly in light of the current legal outlook for this year and could undercut the PS-wide approach we utilize for balancing risks across the ESU.

If these are the issues that the Skagit co-managers are looking to discuss, then please go ahead and schedule a 3:15-4:00 for this afternoon (sorry, his schedule already got pinched). If there are other issues, please let me know before scheduling.

Thanks Rob,

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