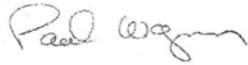


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TO: Michele DeHart, CSS Project Leader
Comparative Survival Study Oversight Committee



FROM: Paul Wagner, Chairperson
Fish Passage Advisory Committee

SUBJECT: Marking of Sockeye and Fall Chinook for 2013

DATE: September 25, 2012

It has come to the attention of the Fish Passage Advisory Committee that two major projects have come to a close in 2012; both the fall Chinook transportation study, and the sockeye pilot transportation study. Both of these studies have provided information on the in-season migration timing and survival of juveniles, and survival to adulthood. These studies have provided information that has been used in management decisions made by FPAC.

In order to provide a continuum of information, we request that you investigate the feasibility of incorporating both of these groups into the ongoing CSS study. We would like you to explore coordination of on-going tagging efforts that may be used in monitoring, and develop appropriate sample sizes that would be used to augment any on-going marking efforts. We appreciate your attention to this matter and look forward to your response.