Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy C-3619

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Overview of Briefing

- Policy C-3619 Review
 - Anadromous Salmon and Steelhead Hatchery Policy Draft
- Overview of Public Comment

State Environmental Policy Act (SEPA)

Next Steps



Policy C-3619 Review

- Thorough Review of the Hatchery and Fishery Reform Policy
 - Science and Implementation

- Anadromous Salmon and Steelhead Hatchery Policy Draft
 - Approved at the August meeting



State Environmental Protection Act (SEPA)

SEPA Document Completed

 Intended to Evaluate Possible Environmental Impacts That May Result From Governmental Decisions



Public Comments Since August on C-3619

- Concerned with genetic/ecological impacts
- Selective gear
- Does not address All-H goals
- Not using best available science
- Increase performance reporting
- Does not address climate change
- "Balancing" has historically led to decline
- NMFS-approved HGMP does not provide adequate guidance
- Not in line with DFW mandate

- Decreased opportunity and returns
- Prioritize replacing lost salmon habitat
- Increased predation
- Concerned with salmon/orca management
- Stability of commercial fleets
- Raise more fish
- Local economies
- Economic stability
- Extend comment period
- Lacks focus on wild fish



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Next Steps C-3619

- September 12, 2020 Commission Briefing
- Public Comment on this Policy
- October Commission Meeting
 - Briefing on Public Comments and SEPA Review
 - Commission Considers Adoption of the Anadromous Salmon and Steelhead Hatchery Policy



Questions?

