

Consultation with Aboriginal Groups
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Pacific	Wild Salmon Policy (WSP)								
	• Meeting with Central Coast Marine Use Planning Committee	June 17, 2008	Central Coast Marine Use Planning Committee (First Nations)	Good governance	Better understanding of First Nations expectations; increased awareness of WSP implementation	Explaining technical implications to non-technical audience; high expectations for DFO to implement WSP more quickly		This was not formal consultation – more outreach and engagement	Participation/ outreach was valued by audience
	• Meeting with Fraser Watershed Joint Technical Committee	July 16, 2008	Fraser Watershed Joint Technical Committee (First Nations)	Good governance	Better understanding of First Nations expectations; increased awareness of WSP implementation	Explaining technical implications to non-technical audience; high expectations for DFO to implement WSP more quickly		This was not formal consultation – more outreach and engagement	Participation/ outreach was valued by audience
	• Pacific Salmon Treaty	Ongoing	All First Nations with fishing interests in BC and Yukon –	Good governance	Better understanding of First Nations interests used to formulate negotiation	Participation by First Nations in process, due to lack of resources; dissemination of information to all		PST meetings have open sessions for the public; mitigation consultation notes are posted on the	Inclusion of First Nations participation in all stages of negotiation process is positive to the outcome and the

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			bilateral and aggregate (eg., Nuuchaltn Tribal Council)		positions and to make fisheries management decisions in the PSC, eg., Fraser River sockeye; increase awareness and better understanding of Pacific Salmon Treaty process by First Nations	First Nations with interests in the salmon fishery		website.	acceptance of the Treaty. However, First Nations capacity and communication structure is lacking, thereby impeding their ability to feed broader First Nations views into the process.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Fall Community Dialogues 	17 days: October-Nov.	All First Nations in BC with fishing interests	Good governance	Increased understanding of DFO initiatives and policies; relationship building and developing trust between DFO and First	Lack of resources limits FN participation; challenge to make technical information more understandable; First Nations technical capacity		Comprehensive website with meeting agendas, meeting summaries, final report on process and topics discussed. Products are also emailed to	This is an important step in building relationships and developing trust; this process can set the stage for gaining acceptance to DFO policies and programs. There is room and

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