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Subject: Selective Fishing - Grids & Knotless Bunts

Chris C. and Chris A. could you please forward this on to all the Area A & B directors

A meeting was held in Vancouver on December 8 to review progress on grids and knotless bunts since 1999 and to review the results from 2004.

This gear has shown compelling results and will be further analysed through the development of a PSARC paper due for May 8th 2005. Industry is interested in having a good opportunity to review these results and have input into any potential implementation of this new gear.

The following files were presented and discussed at the meeting on December 8th in Vancouver and are provided here for your review. Grids and knotless bunts need to be a topic for discussion at the next area Harvest Committee meetings in the north (?) and south (February 3/05).

These committees should consider strategically what further work should be considered on this gear in 2005 as there is the potential to solve some conservation concerns that are or may be limiting fishing. In 2006 there may be a significant run of Fraser Sockeye where Area 20 could be a key fishing area and this gear appears to be key to solving the high mortality on coho.

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Cheers

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