Welcome

Salmon Aquaculture Dialogue November 17, 2009 Bergen, Norway

Petter Arnesen, on behalf of the Salmon Aquaculture Dialogue Steering Committee

Goal of the Salmon Aquaculture Dialogue

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Meeting Goals

- Update stakeholders on the Salmon Aquaculture Dialogue, ensuring participants understand the Dialogue process, work completed to date, timeline, and goals, as well as the important role of participants and means of participation.
- Collect constructive feedback from meeting participants on draft indicators. Specifically:
 - determine whether the suite of draft indicators sufficiently address participants' "big picture" of key potential impacts from salmon farming, and
 - request concrete suggestions for ideas (for indicators, data sources, or other) to be used to revise the draft indicators

Agenda

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9:00	Welcome & agenda review
9:30	Background presentation on the Salmon Aquaculture Dialogue
10:15	Background presentation on the Aquaculture Stewardship Council
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	Presentation of draft indicators & the indicator development process
12:30	Lunch (upstairs)
13:30	Small group discussion of draft indicators guided by key questions (or in plenary if needed)
15:30	Coffee break
16:00	Reports back from small groups & identification of common themes
17:30	Close of meeting

Agenda, continued

Close of meeting

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17:30

9:00	Welcome and review of Day One
9:30	Small group discussion of draft indicators by thematic area
10:30	Coffee break
11:00	Small group discussion of draft indicators (continued)
12:30	Lunch
13:30	Reports back from small groups and full group reaction and plenary discussion
15:30	Coffee break
16:00	Reports back and plenary discussion continued
16:30	Moving forward

Suggested Ground Rules (what we can ask of each other)

- Limit cell phones and email to break times
- Encourage sharing of views, opinions, ideas and options
- Listen respectfully: Seek to understand the concerns of others and please don't interrupt
- Share the floor: Please make your comments brief
- Express your own views rather than speaking for others
- Be tough on the problem, not each other: Please no personal attacks







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Jay Ritchlin, on behalf of the Steering Committee November 17, 2009

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Standards to be created for 12 species

Species Groups in a Dialogue Process

- Tilapia
- Pangasius
- Bivalves (mussels, clams, scallops, oysters)
- Abalone
- Shrimp
- Salmon
- Freshwater Trout

Key Impacts for Salmon Aquaculture

- Benthic impacts and siting
- Chemical inputs
- Disease and parasites
- Escapes
- Feed
- Nutrient loading/carrying capacity
- Social issues (labour and community interactions)

Principles





The Dialogue Steering Committee

- Multi stakeholder Steering Committee (SC).
- All SC decisions are made by consensus, with an agreed upon fall back voting protocol.
- The SC aims to move the Dialogue forward while incorporating ideas, issues, and concerns from the full Dialogue
- Relevant documents available on the web

Steering Committee Members

Canadian Aquaculture Industry Alliance Coastal Alliance for Aquaculture Reform Fundación Terram Marine Harvest Norwegian Seafood Federation Pew Environment Group SalmonChile Skretting WWF

Dialogue Process

- Multi-stakeholder
- Consensus oriented
- Transparent
- Based on sound science
- Performance-based
- Measurable standards
- ISEAL compliant



Progress To Date

- 13 open meetings held
- 7 key impacts identified
- Goals/objectives approved
- Expert Technical Working Groups



State of Information Reports

- Created by diverse Technical Working Groups
- Provide shared basis for drafting of principles, criteria, indicators and standards
- Five State of Information reports completed and available on website
- Each report discussed at a full Dialogue meeting
- Public comments solicited & being used in standard development

Developing Standards

- Feed report being updated
- Social TWG preparing report
- Principles and Criteria developed
- Indicators in draft and now out for public comment
- Draft Standards out to public comment
- Aim to finalise standards by the end of 2010

Thank You

For More Information

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