



Purse Seine Vessel Owners' Association Alaska Salmon Fishery

MSC Certification
Certification Body: Intertek Moody Marine

Notification of Proposed Peer Reviewers

A panel of peer reviewers has been proposed for the above fishery. Potential peer reviewers have been approached on the basis of their experience of one or more of the following: the fishery under assessment, fishery management, stock assessment issues and relevant ecosystem interactions. Two peer reviewers will be appointed to undertake the review of the draft Alaska salmon fishery assessment report.

Brief details of each potential reviewer are provided below. All stakeholders (including the applicant fishery) are now given the opportunity to state any objections to the selection of the proposed members of the peer review panel, on the basis of any conflicts of interest or lack of technical expertise, accompanied by a statement on the basis of any objection. Stakeholders may also propose other potential peer reviewers.

If you wish to provide comment at any stage of the assessment process the MSC has provided a template for stakeholders to complete and submit their comments. This can be downloaded from the following link:

http://www.msc.org/documents/scheme-documents/forms-and-templates/msc-template-for-stakeholder-input-into-fishery-assessments/at_download/file

Comments on the suitability of any of the persons listed below should be forwarded, **before 17:00 GMT on the 28th of January 2012**, to **Dr. Rob Blyth-Skyrme** at Intertek Moody Marine as follows:

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Proposed Peer Reviewers (in alphabetical order):

1. **Professor Milo Adkinson:** Milo is a Professor in the Fisheries Division for the School of Fisheries and Ocean Sciences at the University of Alaska, Fairbanks. Current research interests and activities include: Pacific salmon management, especially forecasting methodologies, implications of climate fluctuations, early marine growth and survival, the economic viability of rural fishing communities; the application of decision analysis and bayesian statistics to resource management; selection methodologies for ecological, epidemiological and fisheries data series and conservation and dynamics of small populations.

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2. **Dr. James Brady:** James has been an independent consultant for 9 years, providing project development, analysis, expertise and data services relating to fisheries in Alaska and the North Pacific. Having previously worked for the Alaska Department of Game and Fish for more than 20 years as a biologist and program supervisor, he has extensive experience with salmon assessment, management, biology and regulatory policy. The majority of his work experience has centered on salmon programs in Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet and Bristol Bay; however he has worked in the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Region as well as Southeast Alaska. He has extensive practical and technical experience not only with salmon fisheries but also with herring, groundfish and shellfish fisheries in the Gulf of Alaska, and was a member of the assessment team that undertook annual audits of the MSC-certified Alaska salmon fishery from 2009-2012.

3. **Dr. Katherine W. Myers:** Katherine is a fishery scientist with 35 years of experience in fishery biology, ecology, and management. For most of her career, Katherine conducted international cooperative high seas research on Pacific salmon and steelhead, including stock identification, catch, bycatch, and run-size estimation, tagging experiments, and investigations of distribution, abundance, migration, food habits, feeding ecology, bioenergetics, age and growth, competitive stock interactions, survival, and habitat and climate-change effects on fish production. She retired from the University of Washington, in December 2010, after 30 years of service as a Research Scientist. Currently, Katherine is a Washington State advisor to the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission, a member of the Northwest Power and Conservation Council Fish and Wildlife Program's Independent Scientific Advisory Board, a member of the Scientific and Technical Committee of the Arctic-Yukon-Kuskokwim Sustainable Salmon Initiative, and the Northwest Washington District Director of the American Institute of Fishery Research Biologists. Katherine has degrees in fishery sciences from the University of Washington (B.S.), Oregon State University (M.S.), and Hokkaido University (Ph.D.), and has authored or co-authored over 150 peer-reviewed scientific publications and technical reports.

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