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Olyutorskiy Bay Salmon Fisheries

MSC Surveillance Announcement

Table 1 – Surveillance announcement

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| 1 | Fishery name | |
| | Olyutorskiy Bay salmon fisheries | |
| 2 | Surveillance level and type | |
| | Level 6 - Onsite | |
| 3 | Surveillance number | |
| | 1st Surveillance | X |
| | 2nd Surveillance | |
| | 3rd Surveillance | |
| | 4th Surveillance | |
| | Other (expedited etc) | |
| 4 | Proposed team leader | |
| | Ray Beamesderfer. Mr. Beamesderfer holds a bachelor's degree in Wildlife and Fisheries Biology from the University of California, Davis, and a Master's in Fishery Resources from the University of Idaho. Ray has special expertise in using quantitative analysis, statistics, and computer modelling to solve difficult fisheries-related questions, and in synthesizing and translating scientific analyses. He has completed a wide variety of projects in fishery management, biological assessment, and conservation/recovery planning. He is the author of numerous reports, biological assessments, management plans, and scientific articles on fish population dynamics, fish conservation, fishery and hatchery management, sampling, and species | |

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| | <p>interactions. Ray has served on fishery assessment teams for salmon fisheries in Alaska and Russia.</p> <p>MRAG Americas confirms that Mr. Beamesderfer meets the competency criteria in Annex PC for team leader as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He has an appropriate university degree and more than five years' experience in management and research in fisheries; • He has passed the MSC team leader training; • He has the required competencies described in Table PC1, section 2; • He has undertaken two fishery assessments as a team member in the last five years, and • He has experience in applying different types of interviewing and facilitation techniques and is able to effectively communicate with clients and other stakeholders. <p>MRAG Americas confirms that Mr. Beamesderfer has no conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment.</p> |
| 5 | <p>Proposed team members <i>[remove if not applicable]</i></p> <p>Ms. Amanda Stern-Pirlot is an M.Sc graduate of the University of Bremen, Center for Marine Tropical Ecology (ZMT) in marine ecology and fisheries biology. Ms. Stern-Pirlot joined MRAG Americas in mid-June 2014 as MSC Certification Manager (now Director of the Fishery Certification Division) and is currently serving on several different assessment teams as team leader and team member. She has worked together with other scientists, conservationists, fisheries managers and producer groups on international fisheries sustainability issues for over 15 years. With the Institute for Marine Research (IFM-GEOMAR) in Kiel, Germany, she led a work package on simple indicators for sustainable within the EU-funded international cooperation project INCOFISH, followed by five years within the Standards Department at the Marine Stewardship Council (MSC) in London, developing standards, policies and assessment methods informed by best practices in fisheries management around the globe. Most recently she has worked with the Alaska pollock industry as a resources analyst, within the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council process, focusing on bycatch and ecosystem-based management issues, and managing the day-to-day operations of the offshore pollock cooperative. She has co-authored a dozen publications on fisheries sustainability in the developing world and the functioning of the MSC as an instrument for transforming fisheries to a sustainable basis.</p> <p>MRAG Americas confirms that Ms. Stern-Pirlot meets the competency criteria in Annex PC for team members as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • She has an appropriate university degree and more than five years' experience in management and research in fisheries; • She has undertaken at least two MSC fishery assessments or surveillance site visits in the last five years; • She has passed the MSC Traceability training module; • She is able to score a fishery using the default assessment tree and describe how conditions are set and monitored. <p>In addition, she has the appropriate skills and experience required to serve as a Principle 3 assessor as described in FCP Annex PC table PC3, and MRAG Americas confirms she has no conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment.</p> <p>Dr. Dmitry Lajus is an Associate Professor at the Department of Ichthyology and Hydrobiology at St. Petersburg State University since 2003. In 2006, Dr. Lajus received a Fulbright Fellowship at the University of New Hampshire. Previously, from 1987 to 2003, Dr. Lajus was a Researcher and Senior Researcher at the Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences. He specializes in population biology of marine fish and invertebrates, population phenogenetics, stress assessment, history of fisheries, historical ecology, and population dynamics. His salmon experience includes conservation implications of salmon genetics, salmon</p> |

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| | <p>population dynamics, history of salmon fisheries, and salmon ecology. Dr. Lajus has an extensive list of peer-reviewed publications, chapters in books, conference proceedings, participation in international conferences, and involvement in international research and educational projects. Dr. Lajus received a M.S. degree from the St. Petersburg State University and a Ph.D. from the Zoological Institute, Russian Academy of Sciences.</p> <p>MRAG Americas confirms that Dr. Lajus meets the competency criteria in Annex PC for team members as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • He has an appropriate university degree and more than five years' experience in management and research in fisheries; • He has undertaken at least two MSC fishery assessments or surveillance site visits in the last five years; • He is able to score a fishery using the default assessment tree and describe how conditions are set and monitored. <p>In addition, he has the appropriate skills and experience required to serve as a Principle 1 and 2 assessor as described in FCP Annex PC table PC3, and MRAG Americas confirms he has no conflicts of interest in relation to the fishery under assessment.</p> <p>The whole assessment team collectively meets the requirements as described in FCP Annex PC table PC3.</p> |
| 6 | Audit/review time and location |
| | This site visit is part of a combined site visit to Kamchatka for several full assessments and surveillance audits taking place between the period of 24 June and 07 July 2019. |
| 7 | Assessment and review activities |
| | The surveillance will review any changes in science and management, and will monitor progress in closing out conditions. |

MRAG Americas invites stakeholders to provide any information considered relevant, including knowledge and concerns about the fishery, to the surveillance and expedited assessments of the fisheries. Unless covered by FCP 4.4.1 any information that cannot be shared with other stakeholders even under a confidentiality agreement shall not be: referenced in the surveillance audit, used to determine the surveillance audit outcome or used as the basis for an objection to certification. The MSC has developed a guide for stakeholder input, available at <https://www.msc.org/what-you-can-do/engage-with-a-fishery-assessment> and a template for stakeholder response available at [MSC program supporting documents](#). You must use the template to provide your response. All comments and inquiries should be directed to MRAG Americas. MRAG will schedule meetings with stakeholders if requested. To schedule a meeting please provide:

- your name and contact details
- your association with the fishery
- the issues you would like to discuss
- where and when you would like to meet

We request that stakeholders provide written information or request a meeting by 5pm GMT on 17 June 2019.

More information on the fishery is available at <https://fisheries.msc.org/en/fisheries/olyutorskiy-bay-salmon/@@view>.

Please send any documentation, requests for meetings, or inquiries to:

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Appendix 1: Summary of CVs of team leader and team member(s) - optional

Insert Summary of CVs of team leader and team member(s).

Appendix 2: Surveillance frequency - if amended since PCDR (delete if NA)

1. The announcement shall include a rationale for any reduction from the default surveillance level following FCP v2.1 7.28.4-7.28.7.
2. The announcement shall include a rationale for any deviations from carrying out the surveillance audit before or after the anniversary date of certification.
3. The announcement shall include a completed fishery surveillance program.

Table X – Surveillance level rationale

| Year | Surveillance activity | Number of auditors | Rationale |
|--------|-----------------------|---|--|
| e.g. 3 | e.g. On-site audit | e.g. 1 auditor on-site with remote support from 1 auditor | e.g. From client action plan it can be deduced that information needed to verify progress towards conditions 1.2.1, 2.2.3 and 3.2.3 can be provided remotely in year 3. Considering that milestones indicate that most conditions will be closed out in year 3, the CAB proposes to have an on-site audit with 1 auditor on-site with remote support – this is to ensure that all information is collected and because the information can be provided remotely. |
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Table X – Timing of surveillance audit

| Year | Anniversary date of certificate | Proposed date of surveillance audit | Rationale |
|--------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|---|
| e.g. 1 | e.g. May 2018 | e.g. July 2018 | e.g. Scientific advice to be released in June 2018, proposal to postpone audit to include findings of scientific advice |
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Table X – Fishery surveillance program

| Surveillance level | Year 1 | Year 2 | Year 3 | Year 4 |
|--------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---------------------------------|---|
| e.g. Level 5 | e.g. On-site surveillance audit | e.g. On-site surveillance audit | e.g. On-site surveillance audit | e.g. On-site surveillance audit & re-certification site visit |
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