

Coastal Coho Project Objectives

1. *Assess Oregon Plan for Salmon and Watersheds efforts to conserve and rebuild coastal coho populations.*
2. *Use the assessment to inform NOAA Fisheries' status review listing determination.*
3. *Use the assessment as a basis to seek legal assurances for local participants.*
4. *Use the assessment as a foundation for developing a recovery plan for coho.*

Conservation Plan Elements

- (a) identification of the species management unit and constituent populations pursuant to subsection (4) of this rule;
- (b) description of the desired biological status relative to biological attributes contained in subsection (6) of this rule;
- (c) description of current status relative to biological attributes contained in subsection (6) of this rule;
- (d) an assessment of the primary factors causing the gap between current and desired status, if there is a gap, and identify factors that can be managed;
- (e) a description of the short- and long-term management strategies most likely to address the primary limiting factors;
- (f) a description of monitoring, evaluation, and research necessary to gauge the success of corrective strategies and resolve uncertainties;
- (g) a process for modifying corrective strategies based upon the monitoring, evaluation and research results;
- (h) measurable criteria indicating significant deterioration in status, triggering plan modification to begin or expand recovery actions;
- (i) annual and long-term reporting requirements necessary to document data, departures from the plan, and evaluations necessary for adaptive management, in a format available to the public;
- (j) a description of potential impacts to other native fish species.

Next Steps

- Define desired status.
- Use assessment and TRT limiting factors analysis to determine bottlenecks.
- Develop management strategies.
- Economic analysis.
- Research, monitoring and evaluation needs.