

The process of inputting proposals into the PRT has so far yielded 3 pieces of information.

1. the relative ranking of the proposal compared to other proposals received
2. a nutrition ranking – how important is the affected prey species to ssl in that area and season
3. a list of Outside the model considerations (OtMC)

In response to previous SSC comments about developing a framework for outside the model issues, here is a DRAFT list of questions that would allow a standard comparison of proposals. Each proposal would get a “yes” or a “no” for each question to provide information in addition to the PRT and anking.

To start developing this list of questions, I used the ‘Outside the model considerations’ that we listed at our last meeting, as we went through each proposal. PLEASE provide suggestions on how the committee might make these questions more universal/streamlined, etc. also, what else needs to go here? Would be best if all questions were yes/no in the same direction – like a yes response means worse for SSL and/or economic impacts...

I can’t see this becoming any kind of quantitative analysis, but just reporting yes/no or we could even have some kind of qualitative ranking: no, “yes - a little”, or ”yes – more”

Perhaps the committee will work on this in June? I don’t think we can actually answer all the questions for all of the proposals in June, but something like this would need to happen in order to put together a package for the council at some point.

List of questions for Outside the model considerations:

- Does the proposal reduce the no-fishing time between end of year (December) and first of year (January) fisheries at a critical time for SSL?
- Does the proposal potentially create bycatch issues in other SSL prey species?
 - Other non-ssl prey species?
- Will effort shift to another fishery that might impact SSL?
- Does the proposal provide substantial economic relief to at least a minimum number of fishing vessels, or communities?
- Does proposal shift effort into a time/space or prey availability level that may have negative effect on SSL?
- Is there a net increase in fish taken out of the water?
- Is area currently open? Closed?
- Does the proposal involve a large amount of TAC relative to???

- Will actual fishing season shorten? Lengthen?
- Is there additional fishing effort inside of SSL critical habitat?
- Does the proposal provide trade-offs that reduce the total negative effects to SSL?
- Does the proposal reduce safety concerns for the fleet?
- Does this proposal improve logistical constraints? Enforcement, processing, management, etc.
- Does the proposal open a substantial amount of critical habitat?
- Does proposal indirectly provide protection to additional sites?
- Could proposal indirectly affect nearby SSL sites?
- Does proposal affect important research site?
- Does proposal include 0-3nm waters that would require state action?
- Does proposal offer additional measures to control fishing rate or effort?
- Does the proposal affect an SSL site that has special importance? (i.e. Marmot)
Would need to get this information somehow...
- Does the proposal create any gear conflicts?
- Does the proposal increase efficiency of catch?
- Does the proposal have any effects on CDQ fisheries?
- Will the proposed action be further affected by amendments 80/85?