



Anadromous Run Forecasting Workshop

When: November 6-7, 2012

Where: Doubletree by Hilton Hotel Portland

Who: Anybody who wants to learn about and discuss anadromous run forecasting

Predicting the future is difficult...if it wasn't, we'd be spending way more time in Vegas. Run forecasting is no exception. Confidence is waning in the age-class conversion models that scientists have historically relied on for salmon and steelhead. Increasing returns and utilization of other anadromous species like coho and sockeye have necessitated new approaches that incorporate their unique life histories. The application of run forecasting metrics are changing too, moving beyond consumptive fisheries to a variety of conservation-based management strategies. Along with comparing the performance of current methods, we will share new ideas and techniques to help move run forecasting into the future.

Topics will include

- Performance of models that include unique environmental predictors and other parameters compared to standard age-class conversion models
- Challenges of pre-season and in-season forecasting wild returns with low sample size and relatively unknown population characteristics
- Factors that may affect salmon and steelhead survival in freshwater and marine environments, and consequences for current forecasting methods
- Communication of run forecasting data among agencies

Presenters

We are aiming to recruit a diverse array of presentations from all anadromous species and geographic areas. Please contact Jeff Yanke (president@orafs.org; 541-426-3279) or Jens Lovtang (jens.lovtang@wstribses.org) if you have information you would like to present or discuss.



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