MEMORANDUM

TO:

Council, SSC, and AP members

FROM:

Jim H. Branson

Executive Director

DATE:

May 13, 1987

SUBJECT: Salmon FMP

ACTION REQUIRED

(a) Status report on revision of salmon fishery management plan.

(b) Report on Pacific Salmon Commission meetings.

BACKGROUND

Last June the Council reviewed several alternatives to their present role in salmon management and decided to begin work on a major amendment to the Salmon FMP which will set annual catch levels based on Pacific Salmon Commission recommendations and seasons and inseason management measures compatible with the state's. The intent is to reduce the amount of money spent on salmon management by relying on the strong leadership of the state and Commission in this area.

A draft plan should be available for Council review in September. Bill Robinson of NMFS will report progress on the new plan. It is our understanding that the Board of Fisheries has not made any changes to the troll regulations.

Pacific Salmon Commission meetings were held in February and March. Details of the discussions can probably be elicited from Commissioner Collinsworth or Council member John Winther who are both members of the organization.