## MEMORANDUM

TO:

Council, SSC, and AP Members

FROM:

Jim H. Branson

Executive Director

DATE:

March 16, 1982

SUBJECT: Status of Contracts

ACTION REQUIRED

Informational Only.

## BACKGROUND

Current Council contracts are listed below with contract information on the contractor, funding amount, percent expended to date, duration, objective, and status. Those contracts requiring Council action at this meeting are indicated with an asterisk.

## Current Council Contracts

81-2: Processing of Fisheries Data

(ADF&G and CFEC, \$55,000, 57%, October 1, 1980 to April 30, 1982)

Objective: To enhance capabilities of ADF&G and CFEC to provide harvest and processor data for 1977-79 to the Council.

Status: At the request of the contractor, the contract was extended to April 30, 1982.

81-4: Marine Mammal Feeding Habits

(ADF&G, \$41,397, 90%, July 13, 1981 to May 31, 1982)

Objective: To establish a baseline of current knowledge on marine mammals feeding habits and food requirements in the Bering Sea, evaluate its adequacy for use in ecosystems models, and indicate a general plan for further research.

Status: The contract was extended to May 31, 1982. The draft final report is due on April 1.

81-5: <u>Incidental Salmon Catch Study</u> (FRI/UW, \$56,840, 1%, October 1, 1981 to September 30, 1982)

Objective: To determine the feasibility of using scale analysis to identify the stream or area of origin of chinook salmon caught incidentally in the foreign trawl fisheries off Alaska.

Status: The first quarterly report was received in late January and is being reviewed by the SSC. The second quarterly report is due on March 31, 1982.