Water Typing System Rule

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Topics

- Board Approval Decisions
- Stakeholder Participation
- Board Discussion



Board Approved Decisions for WTS

Inclusion in WTS Rule

- 1. Existing rule language 🗸
- 2. Off-channel habitat 🗸
- 3. Concurred F/N break
- 4. Default Physical Characteristics ✓
- 5. Fish Habitat Assessment Methodology 🗸
- 6. PHBs
- 7. Anadromous Fish Floor



Stakeholder Participation

- Rule development
- Economic Workgroup
- Spatial Analysis
- Board manual guidance

Consultations are program traditions and are not substitute for public review/comment under the APA.



Remaining Decisions

1. Anadromous Fish Floor

- If Board selects an AFF, it'll be added to the rule language
- If the Board does not select any AFF option, the current field protocol for fish data could be used to apply FHAM

2. Potential Habitat Breaks

- Select any PHB to be added to the rule
- [Caution]: if not in rule, some reference to PHB or deference to expert judgement is required for FHAM to be applied in the field

3. Draft WTS rule

• Amend rule language based on Board decision(s) today.

