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WHAT THE FORUM IS:

The Integrated Salmon Dialogue Forum

a. *The Integrated Salmon Forum provides a collaborative and inclusive opportunity for all interests to work towards a fully integrated sustainable salmon fishery in ways that respects the Wild Salmon Policy and serve both people and salmon.*

b. <u>*The participants have agreed to make best efforts to work through their respective processes, agencies and organizations to give effect to any consensus reached in the forum, and to address any differences that emerge.*</u> *(Existing processes will be respected, and wherever possible, work within the Forum will endeavor to connect with and work through or in tandem with them. Where this opportunity does not exist, or existing processes cannot be adapted activities within the Forum will look to best practices of what has worked and not worked.)*

The Forum and its goals have been agreed to by all participants. It has not been prescribed or stipulated by DFO or any other authority. The participants determined its mandate (January 29, 2007).

1. The Forum is a "place" where conversations across sectors that might not otherwise happen can happen on the most difficult and intractable issues facing the salmon fishery. It was envisioned as big picture, and high beam, across all sectors and regions, informing itself where helpful on "low beam" experience.

2. The Forum works through the incubation of new ideas/approaches/possibilities to the issues identified by the Forum which can draw support across sectors and bring them forward to inform existing decision making structures, both within governments and sector based organizations

3. The Forum is a "place" for the participants, "to do something different" and "to do it differently" in cross sectoral conversations as a partner, not a proponent.

4. The Forum exists as a place for each partner to articulate what interests it seeks to advance through its participation, and as such represents a place for all participants to make known the goals and interests it seeks to advance.