

## STAFF SUMMARY FOR JUNE 12-13, 2019

**5. UPPER KLAMATH-TRINITY RIVER SPRING CHINOOK SALMON (CONSENT)****Today's Item**Information Action 

Consider DFW request for six-month extension to complete its status review report on the petition to list Upper Klamath-Trinity river spring Chinook salmon (UKTSCS) as endangered under the California Endangered Species Act (CESA).

**Summary of Previous/Future Actions**

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| • Received petition  | Jul 23, 2018                    |
| • FGC transmitted petition to DFW  | Aug 2, 2018                     |
| • Published notice of receipt of petition                                      | Aug 17, 2018                    |
| • Public receipt of petition and approved DFW's request for a 30-day extension | Oct 17, 2018; Fresno            |
| • Received DFW's 90-day evaluation   | Dec 12-13, 2018; Oceanside      |
| • FGC determined listing may be warranted                                      | Feb 6, 2019; Sacramento         |
| • <b>Today act on DFW's request for 6-month extension</b>                      | <b>Jun 12-13, 2019; Redding</b> |
| • Receive DFW's status review report   | Oct 2020; TBD                   |
| • Determine if listing is warranted  | Dec 2020; TBD                   |

**Background**

On Jul 23, 2018, FGC received a petition from the Karuk Tribe and the Salmon River Restoration Council to list UKTSCS as endangered under CESA. On Feb 7, 2019, FGC voted to accept the petition for further evaluation and to initiate a 12-month review of the status of UKTSCS in California. In May 2019, DFW submitted a request for FGC to grant a six-month extension of time to complete its review (Exhibit 1). The extension would allow time for further analysis and evaluation of the available science, completion of the status review, and a peer review process for the petition to list UKTSCS as endangered under CESA.

If the extension is approved at this meeting, DFW will have until Aug 12, 2020 to complete its status review. It is anticipated that FGC will be able to schedule at its Dec 2020 meeting the petition, DFW's evaluation, and other information submitted to determine if listing is warranted.

**Significant Public Comments (N/A)****Recommendation**

**FGC staff:** Approve DFW's request for a six-month extension, under a motion to adopt the consent calendar.

**Exhibits**

1. [DFW memo, received May 3, 2019](#)

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**Motion/Direction**

Moved by \_\_\_\_\_ and seconded by \_\_\_\_\_ that the Commission adopts the staff recommendations for items 3-9 on the consent calendar.

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## Memorandum

Date: May 1, 2019

To: Melissa Miller-Henson  
Acting Executive Director  
Fish and Game Commission

From: Charlton H. Bonham  
Director



Subject: **Request for 6 Month Extension, Upper Klamath-Trinity Spring Chinook Salmon Status Review**

Per Section 207 4.6 of the Fish and Game Code, the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (Department) requests an extension of time, by 6 months, to further analyze and evaluate available science, to undergo the peer review process, and to complete the Upper Klamath-Trinity Spring Chinook Salmon status review. Such an extension would change the due date of the Department's report to August 12, 2020, which is 18 months from the date the candidacy findings were published (February 12, 2019).

If you have any questions or need additional information, please contact Kevin Shaffer, Fisheries Branch Chief at (916) 327-8841.

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