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TO: Interested Parties

FROM: Kenneth Currens, Chair 

SUBJECT: Technical Memorandum 2002-1: Instream Flows for Salmon

The Independent Science Panel (Panel) was established by the legislature in 1998 to provide independent review and oversight of Washington's salmonid recovery efforts. As part of our continuing work, we respond to tasks as assigned, and may comment on specific issues we think are particularly timely and relevant. We believe instream flow is such an issue for salmonid recovery. The attached Technical Memorandum presents an overview of our thoughts on the importance of instream flows for fish and the habitats on which they depend.