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Sent: 04 March 2020 11:02
To: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: ECCLR PfG monitoring - request for updates on live commitments - for response by 7 February

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Sent: 10 February 2020 08:10
To: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: ECCLR PfG monitoring - request for updates on live commitments - for response by 7 February

Hi [Redacted]

My apologies – contribution re salmon strategy coming soon.

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From: [Redacted]
Date: Friday, 07 Feb 2020, 10:26 am

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Subject: RE: ECCLR PfG monitoring - request for updates on live commitments - for response by 7 February

Colleagues

Just a reminder about this request to provide an update on ECCLR PfG commitments. Helpful if you could provide your updates by close today if you haven't done so already (thanks to those who have).

Programme for Government - ECCLR PfG commitments tracker - January 2020

Many thanks

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From: [REDACTED]
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Subject: FW: Policy - science day at Faskally Tuesday 11 Feb

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From: [REDACTED]
Sent: 04 February 2020 17:27
To: [REDACTED]
Subject: Policy - science day at Faskally Tuesday 11 Feb

Hi [REDACTED]
Just caught up with [REDACTED] on the phone. We have a science – policy mtg next week in Faskally, for which business planning and salmon strategy is on the agenda. [REDACTED] [REDACTED] will attend, and I wanted to check whether you are attending?
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From: [Redacted]
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Subject: FW: Round-table in Parliament

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 18 November 2019 08:41
To: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: Round-table in Parliament

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That sounds like a good opportunity. Let me know by when you need material on the strategy, and I will produce a slide or two.

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From: [Redacted] >
Sent: 18 November 2019 08:26
To: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: Round-table in Parliament

Thanks [Redacted] I agree. You may be asked about the salmon strategy so we should ensure we have some lines on that.

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Subject: FW: salmon strategy and environment

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 07 February 2020 13:32
To: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: salmon strategy and environment

Hi [Redacted]
So sorry - I am working on a very difficult and urgent thing just now, so need to crack on. Can we see on Monday whether there is time? [Redacted]
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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 07 February 2020 13:24
To: [Redacted]
Subject: salmon strategy and environment

Hi [Redacted]
I tried to call but your line is busy. We spoke earlier in the week about a possible catch-up - are you free for coffee this afternoon by any chance?
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[Redacted] – Head of Water Environment Team
Environmental Quality and Circular Economy Division - Environment and Forestry Directorate -
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From: [Redacted]
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To: [Redacted]
Subject: FW: Briefing / speaking notes

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From: [Redacted]
Sent: 06 January 2020 08:22
Cc: [Redacted]
Subject: RE: Briefing / speaking notes

Hi [Redacted]

Thanks or the update/summary.

The salmon strategy and is scope is for us to set out I suppose. [Redacted] is also on leave just now, and is not available just now. I will write a few lines to be included in supplementary hot issues briefing that will need to go up this morning. This supplementary briefing will include lines on

- Salmon strategy
- [Redacted]

Maybe we can speak soon to clarify/

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Roseanna Cunningham
Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform



10 January 2020

Dear Ms Cunningham,

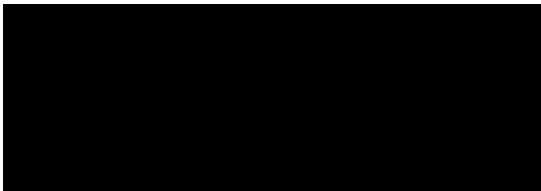
Thank you for your contribution to our event in the Scottish Parliament on Tuesday 7th January. Your introduction set the tone for the meeting perfectly and was very helpful for the wider audience to see such a clear recognition of the current situation that Scotland's salmon face.


During my presentation, and again at the evening reception, I expressed our gratitude for the support you announced for our west coast tracking project, but I wanted to write to you to thank you directly. Understanding the migratory pathways used by our juvenile Atlantic salmon smolts has been recognised for many years as an important knowledge gap in our management of this iconic species. As you know, this is the latest in a number of positive collaborative initiatives, for the benefit of our salmon, which have been taken forward in partnership between Government and fisheries managers in recent years. We are very grateful for this ongoing support.

I hope that our roundtable event will help to inform the forthcoming salmon strategy. There were a number of key themes which arose during the discussion, which we will capture and make available to everyone with an interest in this issue. Fisheries Management Scotland, and our members, stand ready to contribute to the process of developing the strategy.

Thank you again for joining us on Tuesday, and I look forward to engaging with you, and your officials, on developing and delivering positive management action to help protect and enhance our iconic salmon.

Yours sincerely,



 Fisheries Management Scotland

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From:
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23 July 2019 17:01

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Subject:
Attachments:

RE: FFAG, 2nd of August
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Hi [Redacted]

Yes, I can give an update on a possible wild fisheries strategy.

In advance of so doing, this draft NASCO document sets the context.

Look forward to seeing you on 2 August.

Best wishes,

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Salmon and Recreational Fisheries Team,
Marine Scotland, Area 1B North, Victoria Quay, Edinburgh, EH6 6QQ

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From:

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Sent: 23 July 2019 16:53

To:

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Subject: FFAG, 2nd of August

Dear all,

As you know, FFAG on the 2nd is a meeting of two halves – the morning session (with additional members) will discuss the principles for prioritising barriers to d/s migration, and the evidence requirements appropriate to support this. The agenda for this should be sent out tomorrow.

After lunch we'll have a meeting of the core FFAG members only – below are a few draft items for the agenda. If you'd like anything else, we'd be very pleased to hear it. As discussed at the last meeting, FFAG should be taking a more strategic view on fisheries interests, and we were keen to avoid the "creeping death" of updates from each organisation!

Draft items:

- Remit of FFAG; review and agree
- Half-hour update from MS (notwithstanding the above, being in Pitlochry seems too good an opportunity to miss!)
- Update on Wild fish strategy? (██████ – is there something you can discuss?)
- Guidance for developers on fish issues (██████ leads a discussion on some early-thinking from FMS on potential for improved guidance)

Are there any other items you'd like to see?

Regards,

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- Update on Salmon Strategy work [Redacted]
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- **We have committed to the development of a Wild Salmon Strategy in our Programme for Government** and, working with key stakeholders, will continue to do everything possible to safeguard the future of Scotland's wild salmon.

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“We are also committed to developing a wild salmon strategy by September 2020, as featured in the Scottish Government’s Programme for Government for the forthcoming year.”

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“This week’s constructive discussions will help to inform our work to develop a Wild Salmon Strategy by September 2020. [Redacted text block]

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Relevant extracts from briefings

From briefing for Meeting with the Missing Salmon Alliance – 13 November 2019

A wild salmon strategy

On 3 September the First Minister announced our Programme for Government for the coming year. This includes a commitment to publish, by September 2020, a strategy for wild Atlantic salmon. Work will begin on this soon, and we look forward to working with stakeholders including the AST on its development.

The strategy will aim to draw together in an accessible form all of the strands of work which we are undertaking, and set out our priorities going forward.

From Wild Salmon Roundtable briefing – 7 January 2020

- **Wild Salmon Strategy - Annex J**
 - **Our Programme for Government includes a commitment to publish, by September 2020, a strategy for wild Atlantic salmon. Work will begin on this soon, and we look forward to working with stakeholders on its development.**

Wild Salmon Strategy

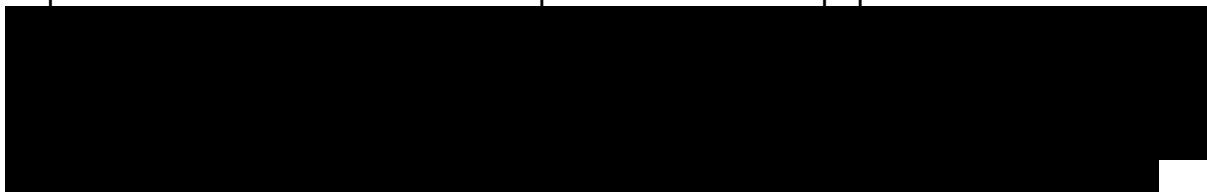
Annex J

The current Programme for Government commits to developing a Wild Salmon Strategy by September 2020. This reflects our determination to protect and conserve Scottish wild salmon populations.

Background

The strategy will aim to draw together in an accessible form all of the strands of work which we are undertaking, and set out our priorities going forward.

It will be based around the 12 pressure groups that impact on wild salmon at national level which were identified by Marine Scotland with partners last year. Work has started more recently with Fisheries Management Scotland on the identification of pressures at local level. The purpose of this project is to provide fisheries managers with a common platform for identifying and quantifying the primary factors limiting wild Atlantic salmon production in Scotland. Outputs from this process will be available for use by local managers to inform and target management action, but it will also be important evidence more widely: the new local and the existing national information as well as results from new research studies will be used identify a programme action required at local and national level to protect wild salmon populations.



A wide range of policy areas and stakeholders will need to work together to deliver actions to support wild salmon. Important policy areas include for example the water environment (through barriers removal and water quality improvement) and forestry (through tree planting in the riparian environment). It is likely therefore that the strategy will take an outcome based approach, with emphasis to be on impact rather than merely inputs or processes. Defining specific outcomes allows focus for activity and can promote collaboration across different sectors, agencies, local government and Scottish Government. It also encourages long term thinking.

Lines to take

- Scottish Government takes the issue of our declining salmon stocks very seriously.
- Actions required to protect and enhance wild salmon population are required from a wide range of stakeholders and policy areas.
- The development of a Wild Salmon Strategy provides an opportunity to work even closer with all stakeholders to develop a programme of work to tackle the threat to salmon at national and local level.
- Work on the development of the strategy will start soon, and we look to a close involvement of stakeholders.

Relevant extracts from a speaking note for the Cabinet Secretary for Environment, Climate Change and Land Reform at a Wild Salmon Roundtable on 7 January 2020.

Today's discussion aligns with our **PfG commitment to develop a wild salmon strategy by September 2020.** I am sure there will be some valuable contributions that come from today's discussion which we will take note of.

Relevant extracts from a speaking note for the Minister for Further Education, Higher Education and Science at a Wild Salmon Roundtable on 7 January 2020 (evening reception).

With this expertise I am sure there will be thoughts and ideas that will help guide our **Programme for Government commitment to develop a wild salmon strategy by September 2020.**