- (e) U.S. commercial fisheries for chum salmon in Areas 7 and 7A will not occur prior to October 10;
- (f) The U. S. will manage the Areas 7 and 7A fisheries for chum salmon with the intent to minimize the harvest of non-target species;
- (g) No U.S. catch shortfalls may be accrued; however any overages shall be carried forward as indicated in (h) and (i);
- (h) Due to management imprecision, a catch in the U.S. of up to 135,000 chum salmon will not result in an overage calculation. Catches in excess of 135,000 chum salmon shall result in an overage being calculated by subtracting 130,000 from the total chum catch. Overages will be accounted for by reducing the U.S. annual catch ceilings in up to two subsequent non-critical Inside Southern chum salmon years; and
- (i) From the day following the date the U.S. is notified of a run size below the critical threshold as defined in 10(b) or (d), any catches in excess of 20,000 chum salmon will result in an overage. Overages will be accounted for by reducing the U.S. annual catch ceilings in up to two subsequent non-critical Inside Southern chum salmon years.
- 11. The United States shall conduct its chum salmon fishery in the Strait of Juan de Fuca (United States Areas 4B, 5 and 6C) so as to maintain the limited effort nature of this fishery, and, to the extent practicable, not increase interceptions of Canadian origin chum salmon. The United States shall continue to monitor this fishery to determine if recent catch levels indicate an increasing level of interception.
- 12. All information concerning by-catch of other salmon species from the chum salmon fisheries covered by this chapter will be shared between the Parties in the annual Post Season Report.
- 13. Should circumstances arise that are inconsistent with either Party's understanding of the intent of this chapter, the Southern Panel will discuss the matter post season and explore options for taking the appropriate corrective action.