

Monterey Bay Aquarium Seafood Watch®

Fisheries and Aquaculture Standards Revision

2016 Work Program

Standard	Status	Description
Seafood Watch Standard for Fisheries	Current version February 12 2016 , implemented for assessments begun after Jan 1 2016. No major revision of the standard is planned before 2019. If any substantial modifications are necessary in 2016, we will conduct a public consultation in the summer/early fall 2016.	The purpose of the Criteria for Fisheries is to operationalize the qualities that fisheries must possess to be considered sustainable. These qualities are encapsulated in the objectives for sustainable fisheries, as defined in the Public Summary .
Seafood Watch Standard for Aquaculture	Current version October 30 2015 , implemented for assessments begun after Jan 1 2016. No major revision of the standard is planned before 2019. If any substantial modifications are necessary in 2016, we will conduct a public consultation in the summer/early fall 2016.	The purpose of the Criteria for Aquaculture is to operationalize the qualities that aquaculture operations must possess to be considered sustainable. These qualities are encapsulated in the objectives for sustainable aquaculture operations, as defined in the Public Summary .
Seafood Watch Standard for Salmonid Fisheries	Salmonid fisheries are currently assessed using the Seafood Watch Standard for Fisheries. The Seafood Watch Standard for Salmonid Fisheries is currently under development based on the October 30 2015 version of the Seafood Watch Standard for Fisheries. Adoption is expected by December 31 2016.	The development of the Seafood Watch Standard for Salmonid Fisheries will continue in 2016, which will allow Seafood Watch to better assess the specific impacts of these types of fisheries. The Seafood Watch Standard for Fisheries is currently used to assess salmonid fisheries, and will form the foundation of the Seafood Watch Standard for Salmonid Fisheries to ensure consistency in the assessment of impacts common to all types of wild capture fisheries.

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