# Progress on the Fishery Performance Indicators (FPI)



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• The Fishery Performance Indicators (FPIs) are designed to evaluate and compare the world's fisheries management systems based on their ability to generate sustainable income and create wealth in an ecologically sustainable and socially acceptable manner.

# Purpose



# Note on Sustainable Fishing Certification & Ecolabels

- Given the substantial cost of many certification programs they are inherently biased toward rich nations.
- Yet much of seafood trade flows from the poor and underdeveloped to the rich
- The emphasis is on biological and ecosystem indicators and regulatory compliance does not address the essential objective of managing commercial fisheries—to create sustainable income and wealth

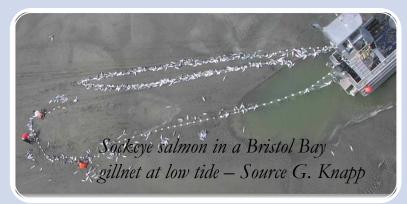
#### An Example:

The management of the MSC Certified Alaska salmon fishery imposes significant costs and hampers innovation, quality, and marketing.

Alaska's Bristol Bay drift gillnet salmon fishery -2005. (Photograph by Bart Eaton, Source: Gunnar Knapp)







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Fundamental changes in management and fishing practices are needed

## **QUALITY**

#### Alaska Salmon - MSC Certified

- The state mandates the use of inefficient boats and gear
- The current management system forces fishermen to race for fish
- The current management system discourages investment in processing and marketing.

Knapp, G. "Challenges and Strategies for the Alaska Salmon Industries." 2002. ISER, University of Alaska, Anchorage



# **\$US 2 trillion**



The Sunken Billions: The Economic Justification for Fisheries Reform.

Agriculture and Rural Development, The World Bank, Washington, DC,

2008

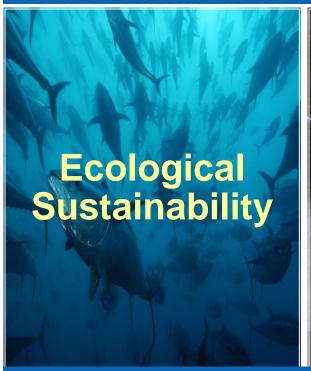
#### Greater attention must be focused on

Governance systems

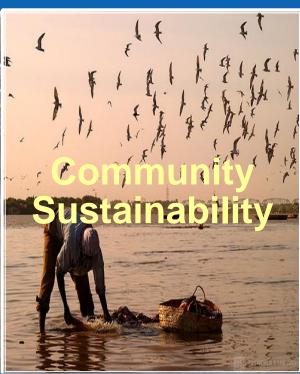
Economic factors



# FPIs are Designed to Incorporate the Three 'Sustainabilities' Necessary for Wealth Creation







Readily Available

**Understandable** 

Characteristics
of Indicator
Components

**Accurate** 

Relevant

Quantifiable

#### Output

#### Input

Performance Indicators of sustainable income and the creation of wealth in an ecologically sustainable and socially acceptable manner

Performance Factors that enable success or contribute to failure

#### The Fishery Performance Indicators - Outputs

#### 62 components covering 11 dimensions:

- Fish Stock Health & Environmental Performance
- Harvest Performance
- Harvest Asset Performance
- Risk
- Owners, Permit Holders & Captains
- Crew
- Market Performance
- Processing & Support Industry Performance
- Post-harvest Asset Performance
- Processing Owners & Managers
- Processing Workers

#### **Fishery Performance Indicators—Outputs**

|                                       |   |  | DOMINANT<br>SUSTAINABILTY |  |
|---------------------------------------|---|--|---------------------------|--|
| COMPONENT                             | DIMENSION   | MEASURE  | CATEGORY                  |  |
| Ecologically<br>Sustainable Fisheries | Fish Stock Health & -<br>Environmental<br>Performance | Proportion of Harvest with 3 <sup>rd</sup> Party Certification | Ecology                   |  |
|                                       |   | Fish Stock Sustainability Index (NMFS)                         | Ecology                   |  |
|                                       |   | Percentage of Stocks Overfished                                | Ecology                   |  |
|                                       |   | Non-landings Mortality   | Ecology                   |  |
|                                       | Harvest Performance                                   | Landings Level   | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Excess Capacity  | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Season Length  | Economics                 |  |
|                                       | Asset Performance -                                   | Ratio of Asset Value to Gross Earnings                         | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Total Revenue versus Historic High                             | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Asset (Permit, Quota) Value versus Historic High               | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Borrowing Rate Relative to Risk-free Rate                      | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Source of Capital  | Economics                 |  |
| Harvest Sector                        |   | Functionality of Harvest Capital                               | Economics                 |  |
|                                       | Risk  | Annual Total Revenue Volatility                                | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Annual Landings Volatility                                     | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Intra-annual Landings Volatility                               | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Annual Price Volatility  | Economics                 |  |
| Performance                           |   | Intra-annual Price Volatility                                  | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Spatial Price Volatility                                       | Economics                 |  |
|                                       |   | Contestability & Legal Challenges                              | Community                 |  |
|                                       | Owners, Permit<br>Holders & Captains                  | Earnings Compared to National Average Earnings                 | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Fishery Wages Compared to Non-fishery Wages                    | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Social Standing of Boat Owners and Permit Holders              | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Proportion of Nonresident Employment                           | Community                 |  |
|                                       | Crew  | Earnings Compared to National Average Earnings                 | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Fishery Wages Compared to Non-fishery Wages                    | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Social Standing of Crew  | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Proportion of Nonresident Employment                           | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Crew Experience  | Community                 |  |
|                                       |   | Age Structure of Harvesters                                    | Community                 |  |

#### Fishery Performance Indicators—Outputs Cont.

| Post Harvest<br>Performance |                               | Ex-vessel Price versus Historic High           | Economics |
|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|--|-----------|
|                             |                               | Final Market Use                               | Economics |
|                             |                               | International Trade                            | Economics |
|                             | Market Performance            | Final Market Wealth                            | Economics |
|                             |                               | Wholesale Price Relative to Similar Products   | Economics |
|                             |                               | Capacity of Firms to Export to the US & EU     | Economics |
|                             |                               | Ex-vessel to Wholesale Marketing Margins       | Economics |
|                             |                               | Yield of Processed Product                     | Economics |
|                             | Processing & Support Industry | Capacity Utilization Rate                      | Economics |
|                             | Performance                   | Product Improvement                            | Economics |
|                             | 1 chomane                     | Regional Support Businesses                    | Economics |
|                             |                               | Time to Repair                                 | Economics |
|                             |                               | Borrowing Rate Relative to Risk-free Rate      | Economics |
|                             | Asset Performance             | Source of Capital                              | Economics |
|                             |                               | Age of Facilities                              | Economics |
|                             |                               | Earnings Compared to National Average Earnings | Community |
|                             | D                             | Manager Wages Compared to Non-fishery Wages    | Community |
|                             | Processing Owners & Managers  | Social Standing of Processing Managers         | Community |
|                             |                               | Nonresident Ownership of Processing Capacity   | Community |
|                             |                               | Earnings Compared to National Average Earnings | Community |
|                             |                               | Worker Wages Compared to Non-fishery Wages     | Community |
|                             | Processing Workers            | Social Standing of Processing Workers          | Community |
|                             |                               | Proportion of Nonresident Employment           | Community |
|                             |                               | Worker Experience                              | Community |

#### **The Fishery Performance Factors: Inputs**

#### • 45 components covering 8 dimensions:

- Macro Factors-Environmental, Economic & Community
- Access Rights
- Harvest Rights
- Collection Action
- Management Inputs
- Management Participation
- Markets and Market Institutions
- Infrastructure

#### Fishery Performance Factors – Inputs (Enabling Wealth Creation)

|                   |                                       | Environmental Performance Index (EPI)                           |  |
|-------------------|---------------------------------------|---|--|
| Macro Factors     |                                       | Governance Indicator–Effectiveness                              |  |
| Macio             | ractors                               | Governance Indicator-Voice & Accountability                     |  |
|                   |                                       | Index of Economic Freedom                                       |  |
|                   |                                       | Gross Domestic Product (GDP) Per Capita                         |  |
|                   |                                       | Proportion of Harvest Managed Under Limited Access              |  |
|                   |                                       | Transferability Index   |  |
|                   | A                                     | Security Index  |  |
|                   | Access                                | Durability Index  |  |
|                   |                                       | Flexibility Index   |  |
|                   |                                       | Exclusivity Index   |  |
| D D. I 0          |                                       | Proportion of Harvest Managed with Rights-based Management      |  |
| Property Rights & |                                       | Transferability Index   |  |
| Responsibility    |                                       | Security Index  |  |
|                   | Harvest                               | Durability Index  |  |
|                   |                                       | Flexibility Index   |  |
|                   |                                       | Exclusivity Index   |  |
|                   |                                       | Participation in Harvester Organizations                        |  |
|                   | Collective Action                     | Harvester Organization Influence on Fishery Management & Access |  |
|                   |                                       | Harvester Organization Influence on Business & Marketing        |  |
|                   |                                       | Management Expenditure to Value of Harvest                      |  |
|                   |                                       | Management Employees to Value of Harvest                        |  |
|                   | Inputs                                | Management Employees per Permit Holder                          |  |
| Management        | I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I I | Research as a Proportion of Fisheries Management Budget         |  |
| ranagement        |                                       | Level of Subsidies  |  |
|                   |                                       | Days in Stakeholder Meetings                                    |  |
|                   | Participation                         | Industry Financial Support for Management                       |  |
|                   |                                       | Landings Pricing System   |  |
|                   |                                       | Availability of Ex-vessel Price & Quantity Information          |  |
|                   | Markets & Market                      | Number of Buyers  |  |
|                   | Institutions                          | Degree of Vertical Integration                                  |  |
|                   | motitutions                           | Level of Tariffs  |  |
|                   | <u> </u>                              | Level of Non-tariff Barriers                                    |  |
| Post-harvest      |                                       | International Shipping Service                                  |  |
|                   |                                       | Road Quality Index  |  |
|                   | <u> </u>                              | Technology Adoption   |  |
|                   | Infrastructure                        | Extension Service   |  |
|                   |                                       | Reliability of Utilities/Electricity                            |  |
|                   |                                       | Access to Ice & Refrigeration                                   |  |
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#### **Case Studies**

**Already Done** 

**Under Review** 

Will Work on

Alaska Salmon

New England Groundfish

Guyana Fisheries

New England Lobster Iceland Lobster

Philippine Swimming Crab

Indonesia Swimming Crab

Ghana Coastal Fisheries

Lake Malawi Fisheries

Bangladesh Inland Fisheries

# Planning a workshop in North American Association of Fisheries Economists (NAAFE) Forum

- May 11-13, 2011
- 8-15 researchers
- Review 10-15 cases studies
- Determine the usefulness, limitations, cost and time required to implement the FPI approach



abstract, and eventually to register for the conference.

## **Alaska Salmon**

**Management Areas:** Alaska State Waters: Southeast, Prince William Sound, Cook Inlet, Bristol Bay, Kodiak, Chignik, Alaska Peninsula, Kuskokwim and Yukon.

**Species:** Five targeted species:

- Pink (or humpy) salmon
- Chum (or dog) salmon
- Sockeye (or red) salmon
- Coho (or silver) salmon
- Chinook (or king) salmon

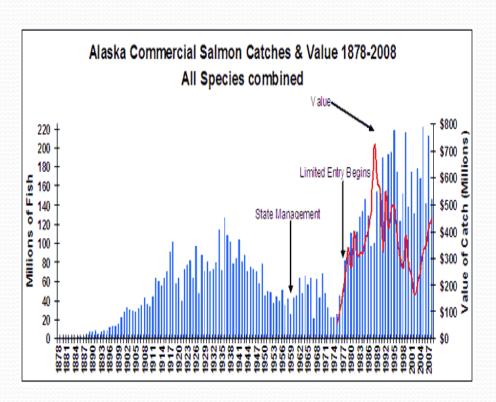
2008: 34% of the Commercial Harvest originates from Hatcheries



Source: G. Knapp

## **Alaska Salmon**

- Principle of sustained yield, for the maximum benefit of the people of the state.
- In-season openings and closures to managed for target escapement
- Gear, vessel characteristics, area and time of fishing are strictly controlled
- 35 Hatcheries are used enhance the harvest
- No Alaska salmon stocks are considered overfished
- MSC Certified as Sustainable
- 7472 Permits (35 % harvest by non-resident)



### **New England Groundfish**

**Management Areas:** Offshore 3-200 miles: Georges Bank, Gulf of Maine, Cape Cod and Southern New England/Mid-Atlantic

Species: 15 - Atlantic cod, haddock, pollock, yellowtail flounder, witch flounder, windowpane flounder, American plaice, Atlantic halibut, redfish, ocean pout, wolfish, white hake, silver hake (whiting), red hake and offshore hake.

Vessels: Trawlers, 65-90 feet; 3 to 7 day trips

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#### **Management:**

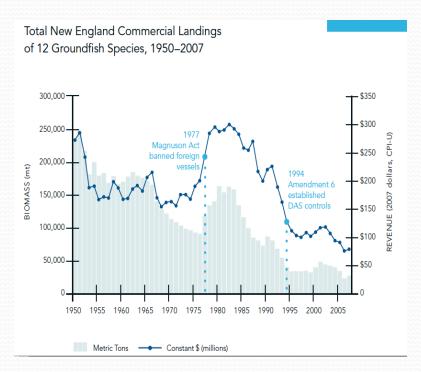
- •Seasonal and year-round area closures,
- •Gear restrictions,
- •Minimum fish size limits,
- •Trip limits (poundage per trip)
- Limited access
- •Restrictions on the number of days at sea each year <www.nefmc.org/>.

#### **Overfishing:**

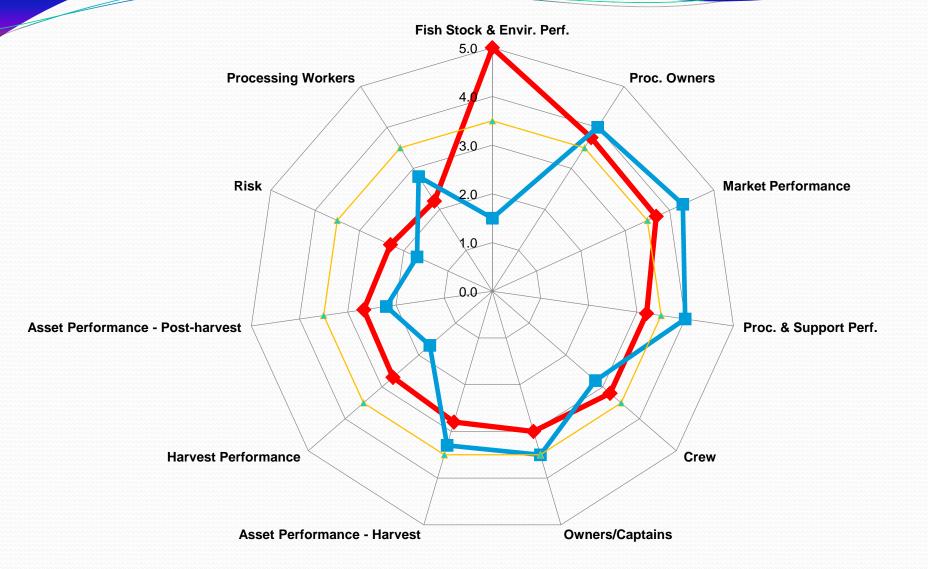
- •4 Stocks not overfished or experiencing overfishing
- •2 Stocks not overfished, but experiencing overfishing
- •2 Stocks overfished but not experiencing overfishing
- •10 Stocks overfished and experiencing overfishing

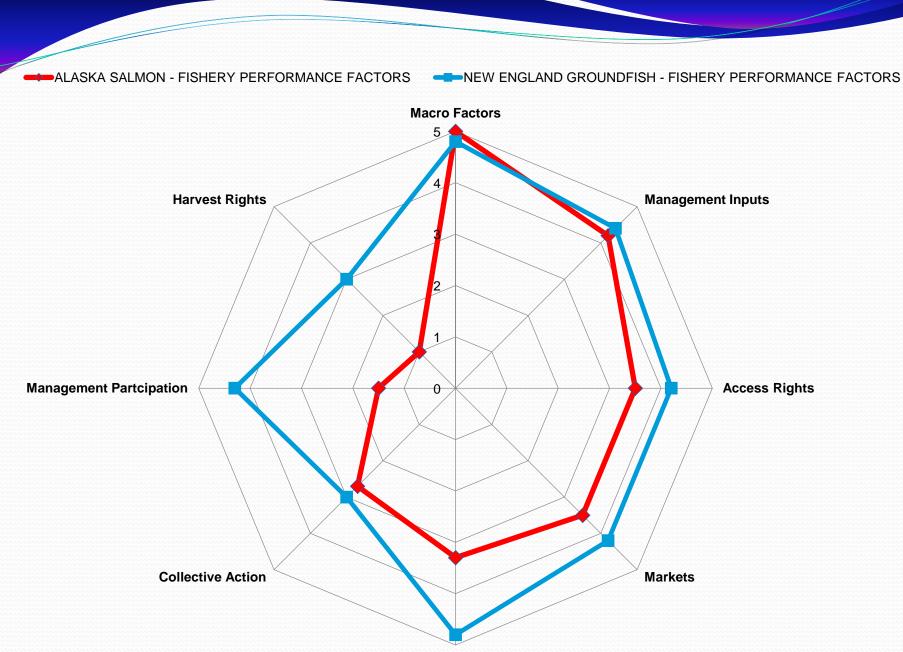


#### 2008 Ex-vessel \$92 million



Source: Johnston, R. and J.G. Sutinen. 2009. *One Last Chance: The Economic Case for a New Approach to Fisheries Management in New England*. Pew Environment Group, Washington, DC.





Infrastructure



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Bangamary

**Grey Snapper** 

Sea Trout

**Sharks** 

Penaeid shrimps

Seabob

Whitebelly shrimp



Photos: J.L. Anderson

# Guyana Fisheries (1995 'Artisanal fishery 70-80% of Harvest

- •Eight inshore fisheries complexes
- •Artisanal fleet: 1,300 boats
- •5,000 Artisanal fishermen
- •75 % Coop members
- •Considerable subsistence inland fishery.



Photos: J.L. Anderson





## Guyana Fisheries (1995)

- •Industrial fleet:
- 114 trawlers (21 meters in length, on average)
- •Target Penaeid shrimps, seabob and limited finfish.
- •Most of this industrial harvest was exported.



Peeled Shrimp for Export Photo: J.L. Anderson

Guyana Shrimp Trawler 1995 Photo: J.L. Anderson

#### **Test Cases**

- Alaska Salmon
- New England Groundfish
  - New England Lobster
    - Iceland Lobster
- Philippine Swimming Crab
- Indonesia Swimming Crab
  - Ghana Coastal Fisheries
    - Lake Malawi Fisheries
- Bangladesh Inland Fisheries

#### **Already done**

