

Zonal Peer Review Meeting

Review of information for the American eel (*Anguilla rostrata*) prior to assessment by COSEWIC

Preliminary agenda

*Hotel Chateau Laurier
Quebec City, October 11-12, 2005*

Chairperson: Nicholas Mandrak

DAY 1– TUESDAY, OCTOBER 11, 2005

Morning Session (start at 9:00 am)

1. Introduction (*L. Cooper/Nicholas Mandrak*)

Overview of the meeting agenda, mandate and Terms of Reference, procedures, rapporteurs, etc.

2. Life History of the American eel (*D. Cairns, J. Casselman*)

Overview of the pertinent life history features of the American eel.

3. Status and Trends of the American eel in Ontario (*J. Casselman, L. Marcogliese*)

A review of the main trend indicators and methodologies used.

Afternoon Session

4. Status and Trends of the American eel in Québec (*F. Caron, P. Dumont, Yves Mailhot, G. Verreault*)

A review of the main trend indicators and methodologies used.

5. Status and Trends of the American eel in DFO's Gulf Region (*D. Cairns*)

— joint presentation with Maritimes Region?

A review of the main trend indicators and methodologies used.

6. Status and Trends of American eel in DFO's Maritimes Region (*R. Bradford*)

A review of the main trend indicators and methodologies used.

DAY 2– WEDNESDAY, OCTOBER 12, 2005

Morning Session

- 7. Review of minutes from previous day**
- 8. Status and Trends of American eel in DFO's Newfoundland/Labrador Region**
(K. Clarke) (20 minutes)
- 9. Trend Analyses** *(D. Cairns, J. Casselman, others)*

Afternoon Session

- 10. Continuation of Trend Analyses**
- 11. Review of bullets/minutes** (Group)
 - Produce final version of the key conclusions/recommendations regarding the best indicators of status and why.

Adjourn 5:00 pm