Traceability Readiness Report Card

Fishery:

Roe Herring Seine and Gillnet

State of Readiness Assessment:

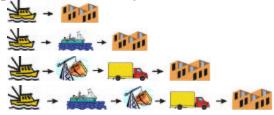
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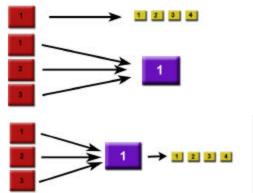
Fishery Overview:

- Short openings with area Total Allowable Catches and pooled fishing effort
- Effort is based on competition and fishing opportunity (stock forecasts).
- Fishing occurs in specific nearshore areas throughout the BC coast
- Catch is primarily herring. There are no bycatch issues
- Pooling of product is infrequent for seine caught herring but common on packers for gillnet caught herring.
- Batch = offload, Trade unit = totes of fish, Logistic unit = totes of fish
- A differential price is paid based on quality (delivery for a single vessel or pooled packer load).
- One association represents industry Herring Conservation and Research Society (HCRS)

Supply Chain Pathways



Unit Transformations



Markets:

- Market is primarily for salted roe to Japan. Domestic market is extremely small.
- Fresh iced herring is delivered to buyers
- Product quality concerns are based on freshness, size, texture and colour of eggs.
- Japanese traceability regulations are not yet developed, will also be of concern.

Data Availability from Fisheries Monitoring Programs:

Traceability data is currently collected through the following processes.

Harvester

Validation Record - MSP Offload Tally – custom offloader Transporter

Validation Record – MSP Offload Tally – MSP and custom offloader

Bill of Lading – transporter

Buyer

Validation Record – MSP Offload Tally – custom offloader Bill of Lading – transporter

Score = 1

Delivery Record – buyer Processing Records – buyer Sales Records - buyer

What product or business data is missing?

units in shipment, type of package, transport firm, data access contact persons (data responsible party) for the harvester, buyer and transporter.

Is the data electronically accessible to the supply chain?

No. Paper validation records are maintained by the harvester. A confidential electronic database is maintained by the MSP.

Is the data verifiable?

Yes through 100% dockside validation

Product Identifiers:	Score = 3
Unique trade and/or logistic unit identifiers are not used.	
Data Transfer and Information Mapping:	Score = 2
Current data systems are hail and paper based with validation records	
accompanying deliveries to the buyer.	
Industry Leadership:	Score = 1.5
One association represents industry	
Processor Level Constraints:	Score = 1.5
Minimal as pooled product is traced through the plant for quality monitoring	

Factors impeding ability to meet traceability:

No harvest log exists. Harvest information is hailed from the grounds to MSP which provides lack of verifiable harvest data during pooling.

Factors aiding ability to meet traceability:

- An industry wide landings data system is in place through 100% dockside validation
- Most of the required information is collected on paper and stored electronically.
- Japanese market is very quality oriented
- Single species fishery

Opportunities:

Goal 1 - Traceability to a pool level

- Identify containers with trade/logistic unit identifiers
- Improve documentation of pooling for gillnet product
- Integrate existing data systems and streamline data transfer through the supply chain for more efficient and timely data communication