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Tripartite Working Group

Update Report

Freshwater Fisheries Forum
Steering Group 24th March 2009

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- Revised draft concordat tabled at meeting on 25 November 2008
- Discussion moved away from the draft as major players wanted further discussion with members
- RAFTS consulted – general agreement to continue with TWG but some changes needed.



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- Escapes and Sea lice are still seen to be at heart of wild fish/aquaculture interactions
- Wester Ross Fisheries Trust
- Lower Lorne AMG
- Workshop

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- Process needs to identify problems and find solutions
- Particularly need “win-win” solutions

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- Need industry to believe that there is something in TWG for them
- Industry needs to get value from engaging in TWG process

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- Effective Area Management Agreements do work BUT still some way to go.
- Not always easy to keep to following programmes especially when farms change hands or disease alters situation

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- Communications need to be improved
- TWG Web Page
- Best practice
- National mechanism to resolve strategic issues and to discuss practical issues that are of more than local significance

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- Stakeholder mapping

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- Meeting between SSPO, Andrew Wallace and Scottish Government to take forward issues
- Waiting response from meeting between SSPO and RAFTS on how they see way forward