

**Freshwater-Alexander Bays  
Ecosystem Corporation**

Date: December 21, 1998  
Directors Meeting  
Location: R.E. Stroud Building  
Time: 7:30 PM

**Present:**

Fred Holloway  
Austin Stewart

John Baird

Gord Stewart

**Business:**

**1999 Salmon Management Plan for Terra Nova River:** Discussion of the input from anglers at the Dec. 17 public meeting. Agreed that we could not accommodate the wish of the majority of anglers for at least 3 fish retention in 1999. Suggested compromise was one fish before the end of July and one fish after.

**Motion 98/12/21/01**

**That the recommended Terra Nova River salmon management plan be as indicated in the following letter to Berkley Slade.**

# FRESHWATER-ALEXANDER BAYS ECOSYSTEM CORPORATION

December 22, 1998

Mr. Berkley Slade  
Fisheries Management Branch  
Department of Fisheries and Oceans  
P.O. Box 5667  
St. John's, NF A1C 5X1

Dear Mr. Slade,

Re: Proposed 1999 Salmon Management Plan for Terra Nova River

I would like to thank you and Mike O'Connell for attending FABEC's public meeting in Glovertown on December 16. The FABEC Board of Directors met on December 21 to review the input of the meeting and to finalize our proposal for the 1999 angling season.

We acknowledge the strong objections of some anglers at the meeting to our plan, but feel that if the salmon population on Terra Nova River is ever to be nursed to a healthy condition, decisive conservation measures must be maintained to increase spawning escapement. It is impossible to do this and at the same time meet the demands of those anglers who want angling regulations similar to much healthier rivers. However, we have changed our proposal slightly from what was presented at the meeting to try to make it a bit more acceptable for these anglers. Instead of a bag limit of one small salmon for the full season as proposed at the meeting, we are now proposing a bag limit of one fish before the end of July and one fish after the end of July.

The following provides the details of our proposed management plan for 1999.

- A. Retention Limit  
One (1) small salmon per angler before the end of July and one (1) small salmon per angler after the end of July.
- B. No Fishing Whatsoever  
From 25 metres below Upper Fishway to Terra Nova Lake Dam. This is established DFO

no-fishing area.

C. Catch & Release Only Areas

- From 25 metres below the top of Morine's Pool upstream to 50 metres above the top of Morine's Pool.
- From 25 metres above Island Pool upstream to 25 metres below Briffett's Pool/Second Steady.
- From 800 metres below the Upper Fishway upstream to 25 metres below the Upper Fishway.
- All tributaries above Terra Nova Lake, including the main river.

D. Catch and Retain

- All other areas of Terra Nova River and Maccle's Brook.

We ask that you consider this proposal for inclusion in DFO's 1999 salmon management plan. We believe that it is the most appropriate balance between the essential requirement for strong conservation and an attempt to keep catch and retain anglers somewhat happy.

We are grateful for DFO's attention to our concerns and look forward to hearing your response to our proposal.

Sincerely

Fred Holloway  
President, FABEC

cc. Mike O'Connell