



Figure 1: Abundance trends (graphs) for wild juvenile Chinook by habitat zone within the north end of Skagit Bay and the Skagit delta, 2002. Note differing Y-axis scales for abundance. Offshore and nearshore data were collected at sites immediately adjacent to pocket estuary habitat. Offshore data from C. Rice (NOAA Fisheries, NWFSC) and all other data from Skagit River System Cooperative.

Diagrams: Conceptual cross-section of nearshore habitat (A-B) showing the different habitats sampled by tow net, beach seine, or fyke trap. The red dashed lines illustrate the relative area, depth, and width of each gear type. Tow net sampling is typically conducted further offshore than depicted in these diagrams. Fyke traps sample the entire marsh channel or creek mouth by blocking its full channel width and depth. This diagram is from the vicinity of Lone Tree Lagoon, located in northern Skagit Bay. Similar areas within the 11 strata shown in Figure 3 will be selected for sampling the diversity of nearshore habitat in WRIA 6.