Individual Customary and Traditional Use Determinations

Delegation of Authority and Standard Operating Procedures
NPS Subsistence Eligibility

• Resident Zone Community OR 13.440 Subsistence Eligibility Permit
• Customary and Traditional Use Determination (C&T)

50 CFR 100.16:

The Board shall determine which fish stocks and wildlife populations have been customarily and traditionally used for subsistence. These determinations shall identify the specific community's or area's use of specific fish stocks and wildlife populations. For areas managed by the National Park Service, where subsistence uses are allowed, the determinations may be made on an individual basis.
Delegation of Authority

• Individual C&T requests are rare

• Individual C&Ts only apply to NPS lands

• Alleviates burden on OSM and the Board

• Subsistence Resource Commissions best source for evaluating localized patterns of use

• Allows for greater responsiveness and timeliness outside of normal regulatory cycle

• Provides for documenting and archiving related decisions
Standard Operating Procedure

• Streamlined application for both 13.440 and individual C&T

• Responsibilities clearly defined

• Continuity across NPS units

• Consistent with Title VIII, regulations and existing C&T procedures
Questions?