

# **CSMEP Hydro DQO Steps 6 & 7**

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# Questions examined

1. Is SAR sufficient for 1) NPCCC goal & 2) recovery goals? *(Petrosky and Wilson)*
2. Has hydrosystem complied with performance standards set out in 2000 FCRPS BiOp? *(Paulsen)*
3. Is transportation more effective than in-river passage? *(Petrosky and Wilson)*
4. What's the incremental mortality of Snake River fish populations (passing 8 dams) as compared to lower Columbia stocks (passing 3 dams)? *(Petrosky)*
5. What is the relative survival of transported fish post-BONN, compared to in-river fish? *(Petrosky and Wilson)*
6. What's the inferred delayed mortality of both in-river and transported fish? *(Petrosky/Marmorek - deferred for now)*

# Questions continued

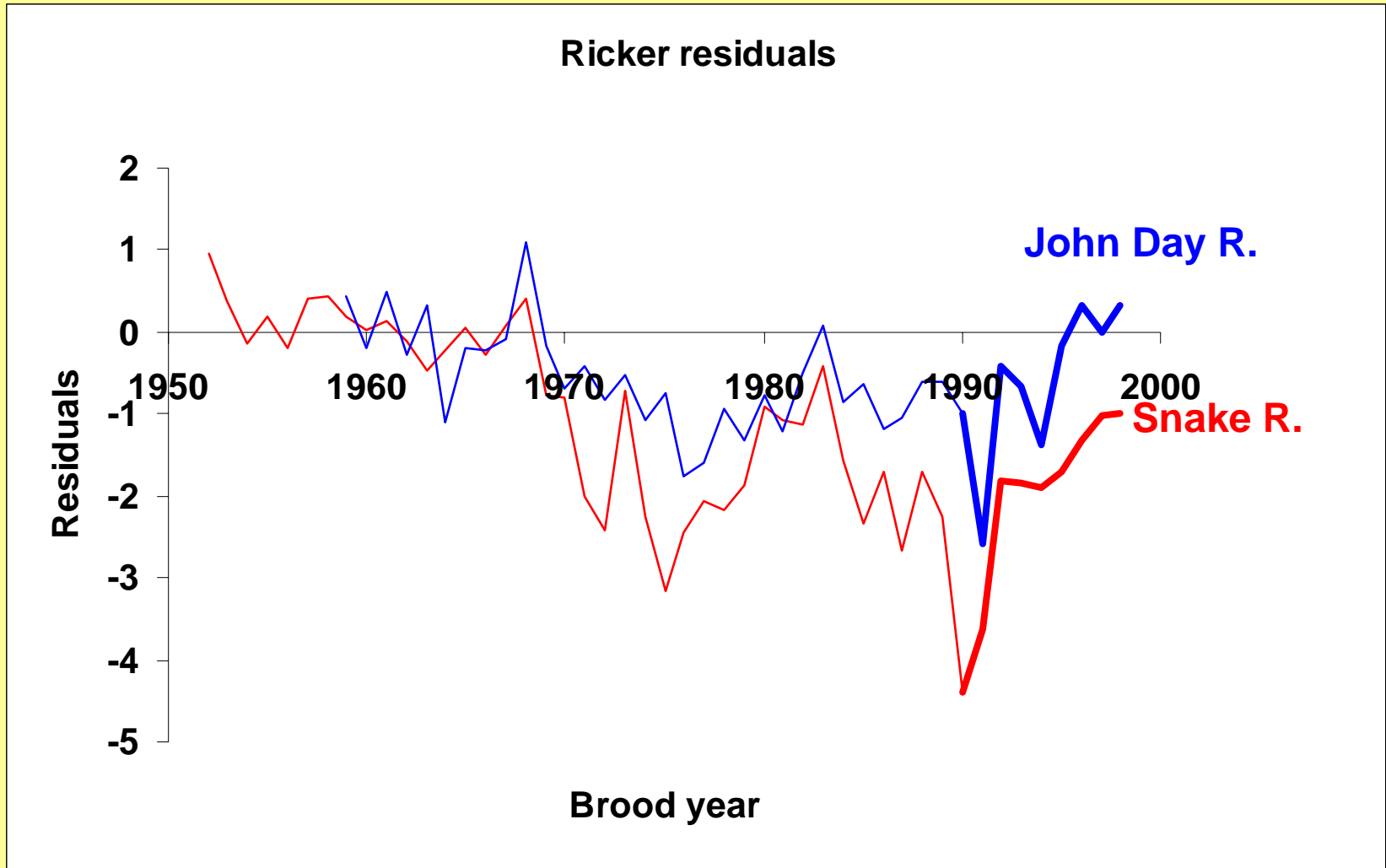
7. What's the effect of different within-season transportation management actions in SARs and post-BONN survival of transported fish? (*Paulsen*)
8. What's the effect of different flow/spill management actions in the hydrosystem on a) SAR and Sp/Sp ratios {*Petrosky*} and b) in-river survival? {*Wilson/Marmorek - deferred*}
9. Have freshwater habitat restoration actions been sufficient to compensate for hydrosystem direct and delayed mortality, as measured on the Snake R. aggregate sp/su chinook stock? (*Petrosky*)
10. What is the relative survival of fish past turbines spillway & bypass? Would RSWs improve SARs, Sp/Sp sufficiently to meet recovery targets? Would RSWs be an effective alternative to transportation? (*Weber*)

Q 1, 3, 5: SARs meeting goals, relative transport effectiveness (T/C ratio) and differential delayed transport mortality (D)?

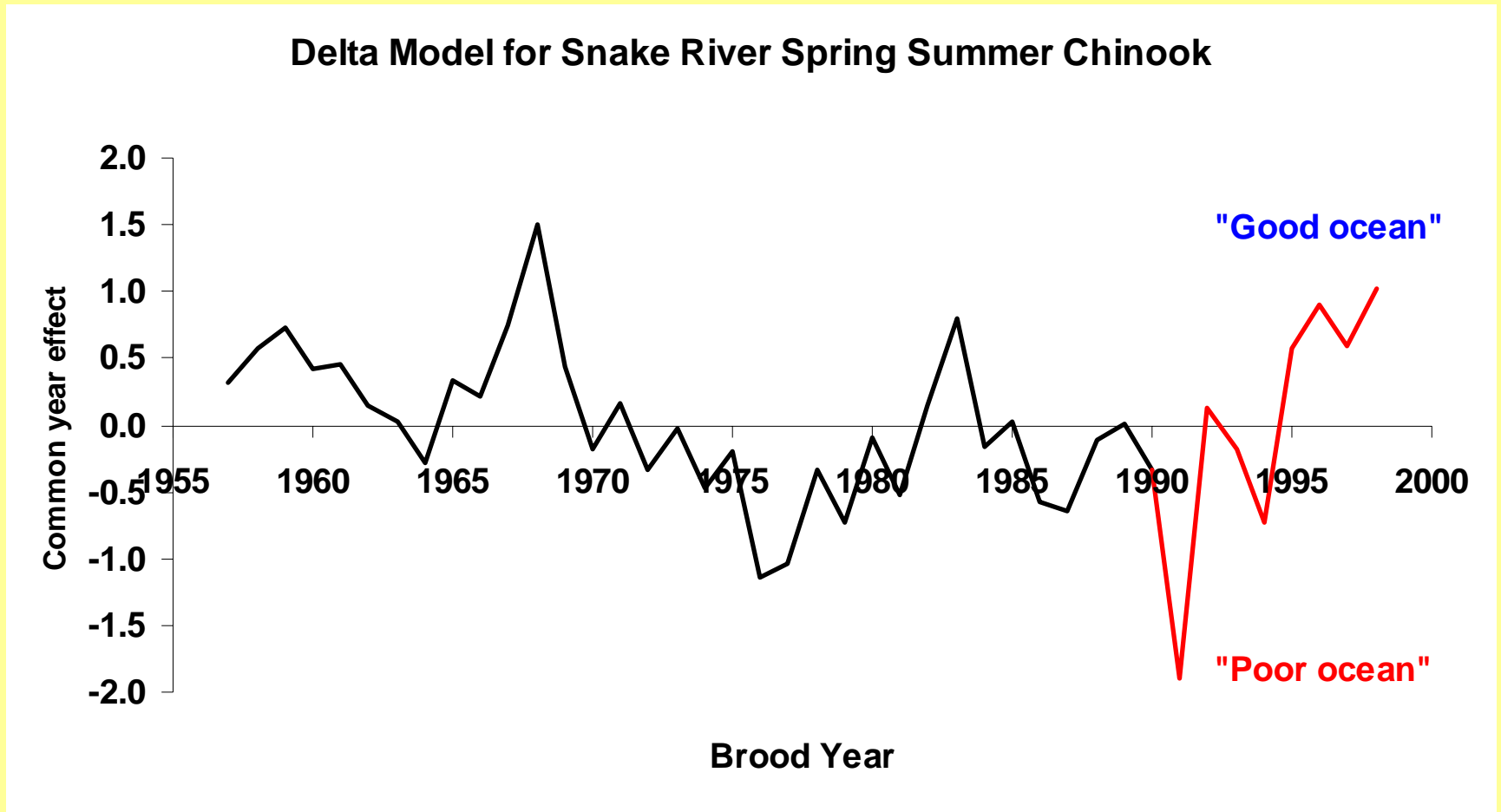
*Q4: What is the incremental mortality of Snake River fish populations (passing 8 dams) as compared to lower Columbia stocks (passing 1-3 dams)?*

- **Management question:** Are SARs of Snake R. stocks < SARs of downriver stocks, as suggested by incremental mortality patterns in R/S data (Deriso et al. 2001), CSS workshop (Marmorek et al. 2004)?
  - SARs are an independent data set which provide estimate of survival rates over a smaller part of the life cycle than R/S, provide supplemental info to understand differences in survival rates between different stock groups.
- **Relevant performance measures:**  $-\ln(\text{SAR}_{\text{upriver}}/\text{SAR}_{\text{downriver}})$  from smolts at 1<sup>st</sup> dam encountered (LGR or JDA) to adults back to BON. Incremental mortality from R/S patterns of upriver and downriver stocks,  $\mu$  (Deriso et al. 2001).
- **Evaluation design background:**
  - R/S data-run reconstructions Snake River stocks (ODFW & IDFG) and John Day stocks (ODFW) 1950s-present.
  - PIT tag SARs for Snake R. (various RME & CSS) 1994-present and John Day R. (ODFW & CSS), 2000-present.

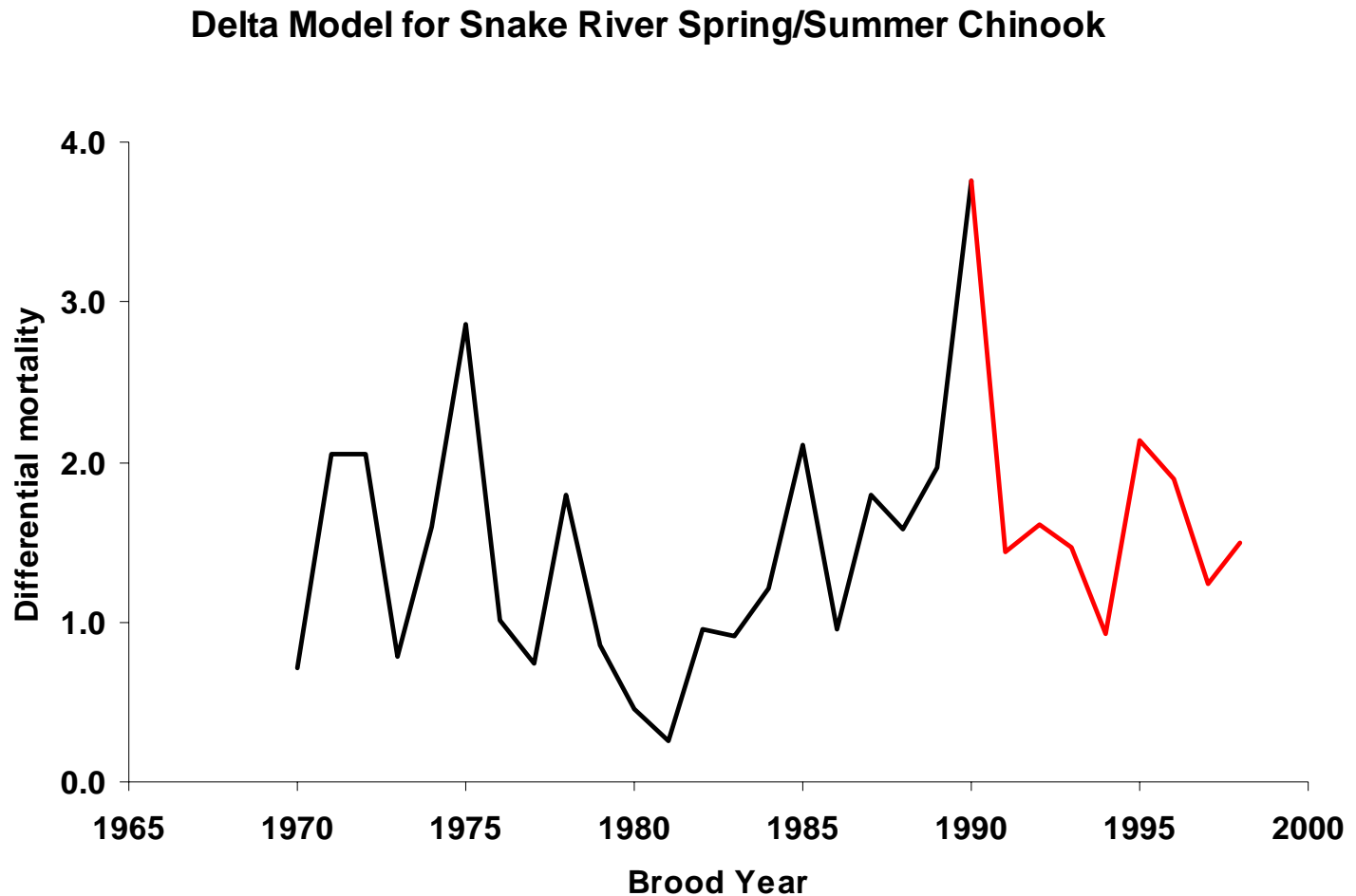
Q4: Ricker residuals from updated Schaller et al. (1999).  
Annual survival rates covary among regions;  
and greater mortality for Snake stocks since FCRPS development.



Q4: Delta model estimates of common year effect,  $\delta$ , 1957-1998 brood years (Deriso et al. 2001; CSS workshop – Marmorek et al. 2004)



Q4: Delta model estimates of incremental mortality,  $\mu$ , between Snake River & John Day River, 1970-1998 brood years (Deriso et al. 2001; CSS workshop – Marmorek et al. 2004).

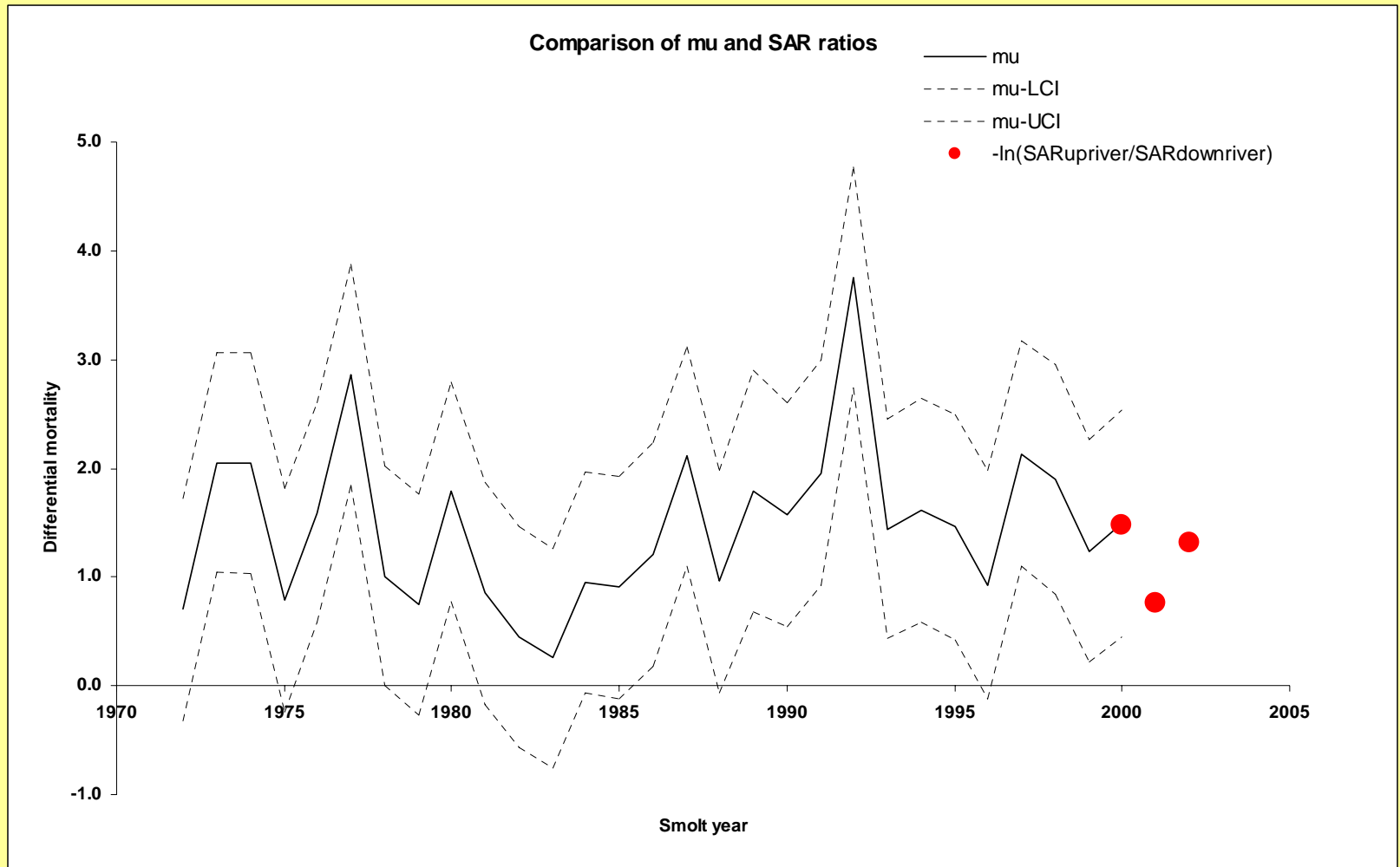




## Q 4: incremental mortality, continued.

- **Formalizing management question into a quantitative evaluation approach:**
- $H_0$ :  $-\ln(\text{SAR}_{\text{upriver}}/\text{SAR}_{\text{downriver}})$  not equal  $\mu$
- $H_a$ :  $-\ln(\text{SAR}_{\text{upriver}}/\text{SAR}_{\text{downriver}}) = \mu$
  
- **Plausible range of values for SAR ratio, defined from R/S estimate of incremental mortality,  $\mu$ .  $\mu = 1.47$ , 1975–1998 brood years, so SAR ratio plausibly would be expected to be ~23% ( $e^{-\mu}$ )**
  - R/S estimates of  $\mu$  updated through brood year 1998 (smolt year 2000)
  - SAR estimates for both Snake & John Day for smolt years 2000-2002
  
- **Uncertainty:**
  - Delta model confidence limits on  $\mu$ ;
  - CSS bootstrap program for estimating CI for SAR ratios (in progress)

Q4: Delta model estimates of incremental mortality,  $\mu$ , between Snake River & John Day River, 1972- 2000 smolt years and  $-\ln(\text{SAR}_{\text{upriver}}/\text{SAR}_{\text{downriver}})$ , 2000-2002 smolt years



*Q4: Incremental mortality,  
alternative designs (sp/su chinook)*

- High
  - *Elements from medium level, plus more representative wild stock composition for R/S and SAR, both regions (e.g., Warm Springs, Yakima) plus upper Columbia (e.g., Wenatchee, Methow)*
- Med
  - *R/S estimates for  $\mu$ , plus SARs from PIT tag studies for Snake and John Day wild stocks, plus hatchery stocks. (current CSS and R/S data)*
- Low
  - *R/S estimates for  $\mu$ , wild index stocks from Snake River and downriver regions. No program for SARs.*