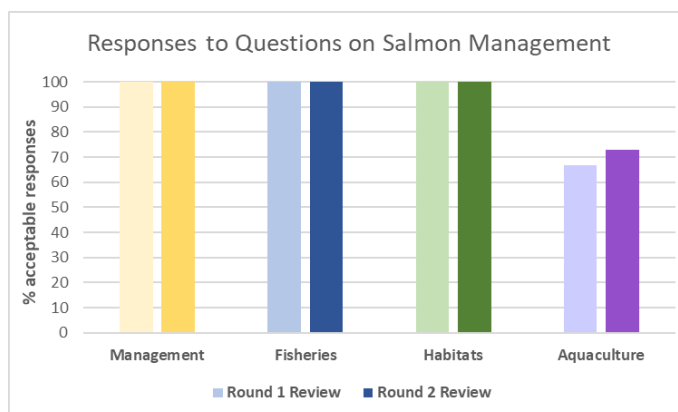


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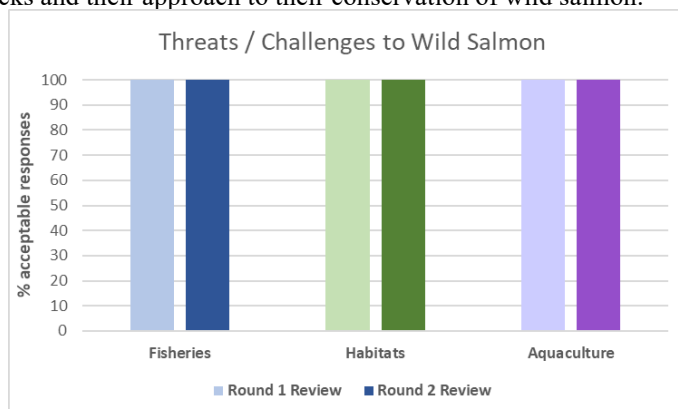
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The Review Group considers the Implementation Plan to be acceptable subject to revision.

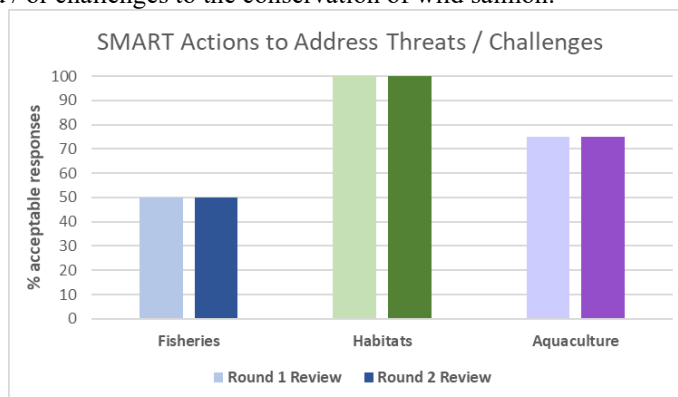
The diagrams below show the overview of the Review Group’s evaluation of the United States’ Implementation Plan to show the progress towards its full acceptability*.



In this section, Parties / jurisdictions were asked about the status of their stocks and their approach to their conservation of wild salmon.



In this section, Parties / jurisdictions were asked to identify their threats and / or challenges to the conservation of wild salmon.



In this section, Parties / jurisdictions were asked to provide clear (SMART) actions addressing the identified threats / challenges to the conservation of wild salmon.

In the area of Fisheries Management the Review Group considered that the responses to the questions remain acceptable in the United States' revised Implementation Plan. However, work remains to be done on the actions in this area in order for them to be considered by the Review Group as SMART.

The Review Group had no status changes to report between the reviews on the questions and actions associated with the Protection and Restoration of Salmon Habitat.

While the revised Implementation Plan has provided improved responses to questions relating to Management of Aquaculture, Introductions and Transfers, and Transgenics, further work is necessary both to some of the questions and to some of the actions to address the threats identified.

The Review Group considered that the threats and / or challenges to the management of wild Atlantic salmon identified under each theme are all related clearly to NASCO's Resolutions, Agreements and Guidelines.

The Review Group considers that the responses to questions 3.3 and 4.6 are some of the best examples of answers to these questions across the various Implementation Plans.

Parties / jurisdictions should include actions on mixed-stock fisheries, sea lice management and containment on salmon farms, where these are present. An action on mixed-stock fisheries is not applicable to the United States. Mandatory actions on sea lice and containment are included.

Parties to NASCO have committed to the conservation of wild Atlantic salmon. Implementation Plans set out their planned actions and are reviewed by an expert Review Group. Reporting is carried out annually on these Plans (see www.nasco.int).

*Full acceptability means that the Implementation Plan meets the criteria set out by the Council of NASCO in its Guidelines for the Preparation and Evaluation of NASCO Implementation Plans and for Reporting on Progress, CNL(18)49.