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The Cohen commission tasked with examining the collapse of sockeye salmon stocks in B.C.'s Fraser River will focus on everything from the organizational structure at the Department of Fisheries and Oceans to the possible effects of salmon farming. The commission released a discussion paper Wednesday outlining its areas of interest. The 22-page discussion paper says the commission will consider DFO's national and regional leadership, allocation of departmental resources and relationship with the province of B.C., as well as First Nations. The paper refers to issues involving fish biology and ecosystems and says research projects on areas such as fish farms, water pollution, urbanization and climate change will be contracted out separately to experts.

Details can be found at the Cohen Commission website: www.cohencommission.ca

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