



The Scottish Parliament
Pàrlamaid na h-Alba

Rural Affairs and Islands Committee

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Cabinet Secretary for Rural Affairs, Land Reform and Islands
Scottish Government

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Dear Cabinet Secretary

Conservation of Salmon (Scotland) Amendment Regulations 2025

At the Committee's meeting on Wednesday 14 January, Members agreed to request an update from the Scottish Government on its roll-out of [a fish counter network for monitoring Scottish salmon stocks.](#)

The Committee is also keen to receive further information on the [National Electrofishing Programme for Scotland \(NEPS\)](#). This latest report does not include data for 2024-25 and Members would appreciate any updates on whether there are plans to continue this work.

Yours sincerely,

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Convener

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