



# Planned EFSA mandates on welfare of fish

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# Main EFSA opinions on welfare of fish

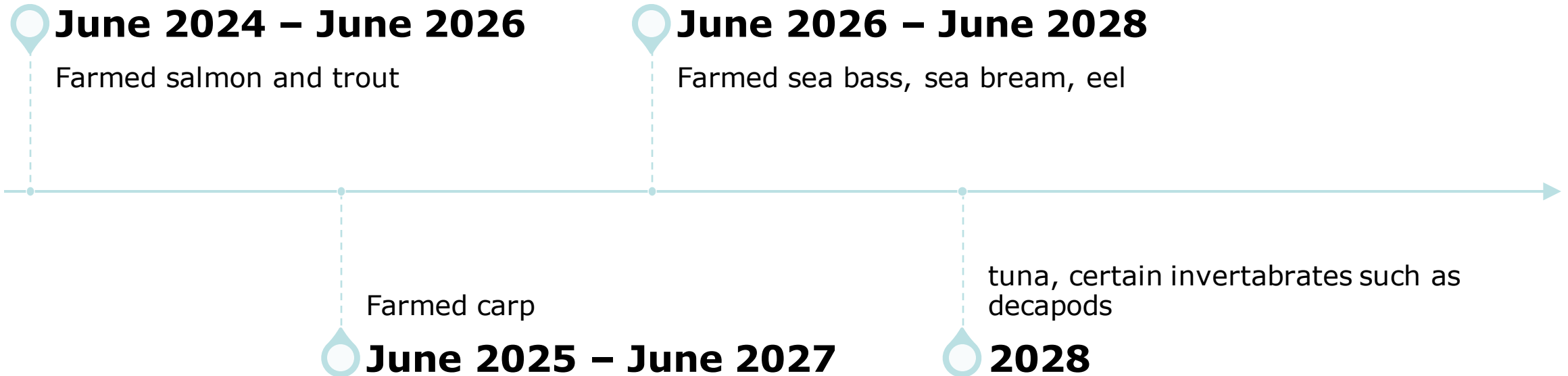
- 2009
- No transport

1. **General approach** to fish **welfare** and to the concept of **sentience** in fish
2. Animal welfare aspects of **husbandry systems**
  - Farmed European seabass and gilthead seabream
  - Farmed Atlantic Salmon
  - Farmed trout
  - Farmed common carp
3. Welfare aspects of the main systems of **stunning and killing**
  - Farmed Seabass and Seabream
  - Farmed Atlantic salmon
  - Farmed rainbow trout
  - Farmed Carp
  - Farmed tuna
  - Farmed turbot

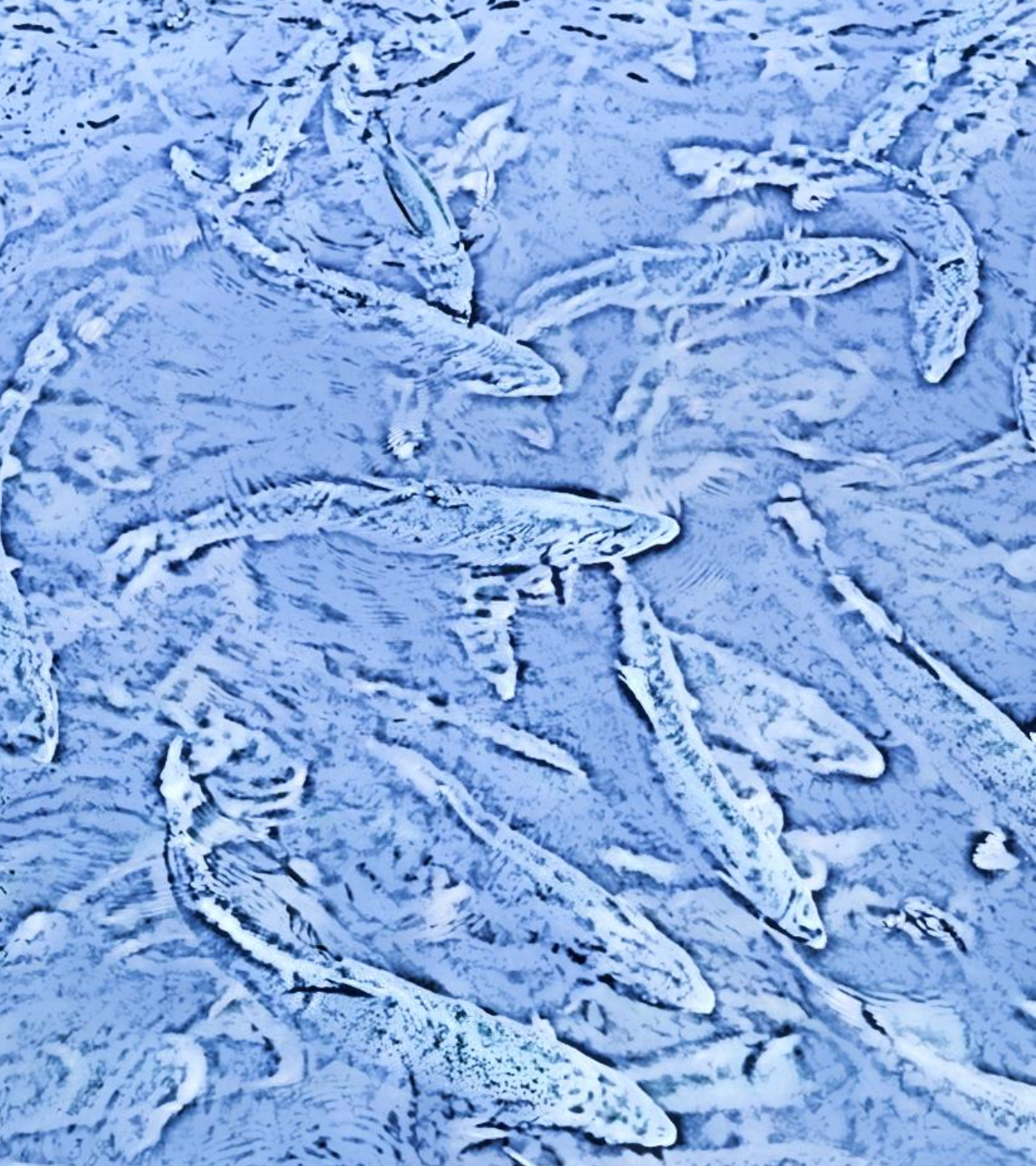
## Roadmap of future mandates to EFSA in the field of Animal Welfare (2022-2030)

June 2024	June 2026	Farmed salmon and trout (other aspects than killing)
December 2024	December 2026	Ducks, geese and quail (other aspects than cages)
	<b>Year 2027</b>	
June 2025	June 2027	
December 2025	December 2027	Farmed carp (other aspects than killing)
	<b>Year 2028</b>	Horses
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# Roadmap







# Next Mandates

- Salmon – low priority
- Trout
  - Rainbow trout is the most cultured fish species in the EU
- Other species

• Other species



# Mandate to EFSA on welfare of trout

- Brown / rainbow trout
- Different husbandry systems and common practices
- Main welfare issues on farm and during transport
- Points still under discussion with EFSA:
  - Scope:
    - Life stages
    - Including killing or not



# Timeline

Mandate to EFSA



**June 2026 – June 2027**

**June 2024**



Adoption of scientific opinion  
(to be agreed with EFSA depending on the  
scope)

Thank you