

(a) Review report from the Ecosystem Committee (tentative).

(b) Clarify purpose and need statement.

(c) Review alternatives for revised analysis

8. American Fisheries Act:

(a) Initial review of processor sideboards, improved retention/ utilization adjustments and bycatch reduction measures.

(b) Initial review of additional Pacific cod sideboard measures.

(c) Initial review of single geographic location change, including clarification of Inshore-offshore and Catcher Vessel Operational Area regulations.

(d) Review industry proposal for pollock bycatch measures and provide direction.

9. Essential Fish Habitat (EFH):

(a) Review progress and EFH Committee report; provide direction.

(b) Review recommendations from the joint Council/Alaska Board of Fisheries Protocol Committee.

10. Gulf of Alaska Groundfish Rationalization: Review progress from working group; provide direction.

11. Steller Sea Lions: Initial review of trailing amendments.

12. Review staff tasking and provide direction.

13. Discuss annual management cycle and Council Statement of Operating Policy and Procedures.

14. Discuss and identify research priorities.

Although other issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during the meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in the agenda listed in this notice.

Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC): The SSC agenda will include the following issues:

1. Election of Officers.

2. Crab Management (Item #6 on the Council agenda).

3. American Fisheries Act issues (Item #8 on the Council agenda).

4. Essential Fish Habitat (Item #9 on the Council agenda).

5. Draft Programmatic Groundfish SEIS (Item #7 on the Council agenda).

6. Steller Sea Lion trailing amendment (Item #11 on the Council agenda).

7. Research Priorities (Item #13 on the Council agenda).

Advisory Panel: The Advisory Panel will elect officer for the coming year and address the same agenda issues as the

Council, with the exception of the Reports under Item 1 of the Council agenda.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities.

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Dated: March 19, 2002.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Council and its advisory entities will meet April 7-12, 2002. The Council meeting will begin on Tuesday, April 9, at 8 a.m., reconvening each day through Friday. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 8 a.m. until 9:30 a.m. on Tuesday, April 9 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings and hearing will be held at the DoubleTree Hotel-Columbia River, 1401 N Hayden Island Drive, Portland, OR 97217; telephone: 503-283-2111.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 326-6352.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order:

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions,
2. Roll Call

3. Executive Director's Report
4. Approve Agenda
5. Approve September and November Meeting Minutes

B. Mitchell Act

C. Salmon Management

1. Report on Federal Regulation Implementation

2. Identification of Stocks Not Meeting Escapement Goals for Three Consecutive Years

3. Methodology Reviews for 2002

4. Tentative Adoption of 2002 Ocean Salmon Management Measures for Analysis

5. Clarify Council Direction on 2002 Management Measures, (If Necessary)

6. Final Action on 2002 Measures

7. Clarification of Final Action on 2002 Measures, (If Necessary)

D. Marine Reserves

1. Status of Channel Island National Marine Sanctuary Proposal and Other Marine Reserves Processes

E. Habitat Issues

1. Essential Fish Habitat Issues

F. Groundfish Management

1. Status of NMFS Regulatory and Other Nonregulatory Activities

2. Permit Stacking Issues

3. Status of Fisheries and

Consideration of Inseason Adjustments

4. Rebuilding Plan Status Report

5. Groundfish Multi-year Management Cycle

6. Stock Assessment Review Process Issues

7. Exempted Fishing Permit Applications

8. Fisheries Ecosystem Plan for Northern California

9. Yelloweye Landings in Halibut Fishery Area

10. Strategic Plan Implementation

11. Statements

12. Groundfish Fishery Management Plan Environmental Impact Statement

G. Pacific Halibut Management

1. 2002 Incidental Catch Regulations

2. Final Action on 2002 Management Measures

H. Administrative and Other Matters

1. Status of Legislation

2. Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Standing Committees, and Other Forums

3. Council's "Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures" and "Council Operating Procedures" Documents

4. Research and Data Needs Process and Economic Data Plan

5. Council Staff Workload Priorities

6. June 2002 Council Meeting Draft Agenda

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

SUNDAY, APRIL 7, 2002 |

COMMITTEE FOR THE IMPLEMENTATION OF TEXTILE AGREEMENTS

Groundfish Management
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Salmon Advisory
Subpanel
Salmon Technical Team
Tribal Policy Group
Tribal and Washington
Technical Group
Enforcement Consultants
FRIDAY, APRIL 12, 2002
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