

The purpose of the March 11 and March 25 meetings is to bring Project 25 Compliance Assessment Program stakeholders together to discuss what the process will be to assess software based test tools for the Project 25 Compliance Assessment Program. Currently, hardware based test tools require calibration of their output, but software test tools are not explicitly covered. The IEEE-12207-2007 standard will be used as a basis of discussion for the meetings. The results of these and potential subsequent discussions will be used in the development of an addendum to the NIST Handbook 153-2008 to specifically cover the validation of software based test tools.

There is no charge for participation for either meeting. For the first meeting, the registration deadline is March 4, 2009. For the second meeting, because of meeting room restrictions, advance registration is mandatory and limited to three representatives from any one organization. There will be no on-site, same-day registration. The registration deadline for the second meeting is March 13, 2009. A teleconference bridge will be provided for the second meeting for those stakeholders that wish to participate but cannot attend in person.

Anyone wishing to attend the first meeting must register by close of business March 4, 2009, in order to participate. Please submit your name, e-mail address and phone number to Mr. Andrew Thiessen and he will provide you with the logistics information for the meeting. Mr. Thiessen's email address is andrew@its.blrdoc.gov and his phone number is (303) 497-4427.

Anyone wishing to attend the second meeting must register by close of business March 13, 2009, in order to attend. Please submit your name, time of arrival, e-mail address and phone number to Ms. Kathy Mayeda and she will provide you with logistics information for the meeting. Ms. Mayeda's e-mail address is kmayeda@its.blrdoc.gov and her phone number is (303) 497-5890. All attendees are required to submit their name, time of arrival, email address and phone number to Ms. Mayeda. Non-U.S. citizens must also submit their country of citizenship, title, employer/sponsor and address.

Dated: February 5, 2009.

Patrick D. Gallagher,
Deputy Director.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XN36

New England Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of a public meeting.

SUMMARY: The New England Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduling a public meeting of its Research Steering Committee (RSC), in March, 2009, to consider actions affecting New England fisheries in the exclusive economic zone (EEZ). Recommendations from this group will be brought to the full Council for formal consideration and action, if appropriate.

DATES: The meeting will be held on Wednesday, March 4, 2009, at 9 a.m.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held at the The Westin Hotel, 70 Third Street, Waltham, MA 02451; telephone: (781) 290-5600; fax: (781) 890-5959.

Council address: New England Fishery Management Council, 50 Water Street, Mill 2, Newburyport, MA 01950.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, New England Fishery Management Council; telephone: (978) 465-0492.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Council's RSC will discuss strategic planning with respect to the region's cooperative research efforts. Cooperative research has been undertaken in various forms throughout New England for 10 years. In order to learn from and enhance the collaborative relationships that have developed between fishermen and scientists, as well as obtain meaningful information to support fisheries management, RSC members will discuss their views on the direction and future of cooperative research. While the RSC's discussion is public, there also will be a formal stakeholder session on cooperative research strategic planning on Wednesday afternoon at 1:30 p.m. for any interested members of the public who would like to participate. The RSC may consider other topics at their discretion.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice

that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council's intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Paul J. Howard, Executive Director, at (978) 465-0492, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.

Authority: 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: February 11, 2009.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

RIN 0648-XN31

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 March 7-13, 2009. The Council meeting will begin on Sunday, March 8, 2009, 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 a.m. on Sunday, March 8 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: Meetings of the Council and its advisory entities will be held at the Marriott Hotel Seattle Airport, 3201 South 176th Street, Seattle, WA 98188; telephone: (206) 241-2000.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204 toll free.

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

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks and Introductions
2. Roll Call
3. Executive Director's Report
4. Approve Agenda

B. Open Comment Period

Comments on Non-Agenda Items

C. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. Stock Assessment Review Panel Terms of Reference for 2009
2. Experimental Fishing Permit for Sardine Research
3. Fishery Management Plan Amendments to Implement the Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorization Act

D. Salmon Management

1. Review of 2008 Fisheries and Summary of 2009 Stock Abundance Estimates
2. Identification of Stocks Not Meeting Conservation Objectives

3. Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2009 Salmon Management Options

4. Council Recommendations for 2009 Management Option Analysis
5. (Further) Council Direction for 2009 Management Options (if necessary)
6. Fishery Management Plan Amendments to Implement the Magnuson-Stevens Reauthorization Act
7. Adoption of 2009 Management Options for Public Review
8. Appoint Salmon Hearings Officers

E. Enforcement Issues

U.S. Coast Guard Annual West Coast Fishery Enforcement Report

F. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission Meeting
2. Incidental Catch Regulations in the Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

G. Groundfish Management

1. Pacific Whiting Harvest Specifications and Management Measures for 2009

2. Consideration of Inseason Adjustments

3. Fishery Management Plan Amendment 20 - Trawl Rationalization (Scoping of Ownership Trailing Action and Miscellaneous Clarifications)

4. Fishery Management Plan Amendment 20 - Trawl Rationalization (Final Accumulation Limits)

5. Fishery Management Plan Amendment 22: Open Access License Limitation

6. National Marine Fisheries Service Report

7. Final Consideration of Inseason Adjustments (if needed)

8. Essential Fish Habitat Review Committee Terms of Reference

H. Habitat

Current Habitat Issues

I. Administrative Matters

1. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
2. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
3. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Saturday, March 7, 2009.

Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	9 a.m.

Sunday, March 8, 2009.

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Washington State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	4:30 p.m.

Monday, March 9, 2009.

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	8 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary.
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As necessary.
Washington State Delegation	As necessary.

Tuesday, March 10, 2009.

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary.
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary.
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As necessary.
Washington State Delegation	As necessary.

Wednesday, March 11, 2009.

Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS—Continued

Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.
Habitat Committee	8:30 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary.
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary.
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As necessary.
Washington State Delegation	As necessary.
Thursday, March 12, 2009.	
Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.
Habitat Committee	8:30 a.m.
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary.
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary.
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As necessary.
Washington State Delegation	As necessary.
Friday, March 13, 2009.	
Council Secretariat	7 a.m.
California State Delegation	7 a.m.
Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	As necessary.
Groundfish Management Team	As necessary.
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary.
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary.
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As necessary.
Washington State Delegation	As necessary.

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Dated: February 11, 2009.

Tracey L. Thompson,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.
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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

Science Advisory Board (SAB)

AGENCY: Office of Oceanic and Atmospheric Research (OAR), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

ACTION: Notice of open meeting.

SUMMARY: The Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

Time and Date: The meeting will be held Monday, March 9, 2009, from 10:30 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Tuesday, March 10, 2009, from 8 a.m. to 4:15 p.m. These times and the agenda topics

described below are subject to change. Please refer to the Web page <http://www.sab.noaa.gov/Meetings/meetings.html> for the most up-to-date meeting agenda.

Place: The meeting will be held both days at the Hilton Washington DC/ Silver Spring, 8727 Colesville Road, Silver Spring, MD 20910. Please check the SAB Web site <http://www.sab.noaa.gov> for confirmation of the venue and for directions.

Status: The meeting will be open to public participation with a 30-minute public comment period on March 9 at 5:30 p.m. (check Web site to confirm time). The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of five (5) minutes. Written comments should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by March 4, 2009 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after March 4, 2009, will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date. Seats will be available on a first-come, first-served basis.