

Draft Agenda
 Proposed Council Meeting Agenda
 March 2016



233rd Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
 March 8-14, 2016
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Schedule of Ancillary Meetings begins on page 8.

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings beginning on page 8 for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions scheduled throughout the week of March 8 through March 14, 2016.

Proposed Detailed Agenda begins on the next page.

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda. However, please note that the timing--including the day--of the agenda items may change on the basis of the time required for prior agenda items, and the order may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Tuesday March 8	Wednesday March 9	Thursday March 10	Friday March 11	Saturday March 12	Sunday March 13	Monday March 14
A listing of times and locations for Advisory Body meetings begins on page 8.	Closed Session	Salmon	Highly Migratory Species	Highly Migratory Species	Halibut	Groundfish
	Call to Order			Groundfish	Groundfish	
	Open Comment					
	Habitat					
	Ecosystem			Salmon	Salmon	

Council Action descriptions to adopt imply consideration to adopt; adoption is not mandatory.



233rd Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council

March 9-14, 2016

General Council Session
Proposed Detailed Agenda

Wednesday, March 9, 2016

8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

Closed Executive Session

This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

A. Call to Order

- A.1 Opening Remarks Dorothy Lowman, Chair
- A.2 Roll Call Don McIsaac
- A.3 Executive Director's Report Don McIsaac
- A.4 Agenda Dorothy Lowman
 - a. Council Action: Approve Agenda

B. Open Comment Period

- B.1 Comments on Non-Agenda Items Chuck Tracy
 - a. Advisory Body and Management Entity Comments
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion as Appropriate

C. Habitat

- C.1 Current Habitat Issues Jennifer Gilden
 - a. Report of the Habitat Committee Joel Kawahara
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations

D. Ecosystem Management

- D.1 California Current Ecosystem Report Including Integrated Ecosystem Assessment Kit Dahl
 - a. Report of the IEA Team Chris Harvey, Toby Garfield
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. Council Action: Consider the California Current Ecosystem Report
- D.2 Update on Coordinated Ecosystem Indicator Review Initiative Kit Dahl
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Action: Consider Issues Relevant to the Coordinated Ecosystem Indicator Review Initiative and Provide Guidance on Future Process and Schedule

Thursday, March 10, 2016

8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

- A. Call to Order (reconvene) Dorothy Lowman
 - A.5 Commencing Remarks Don McIsaac
- E. Salmon Management
 - E.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Mike Burner
 - a. Regulatory Activities Bob Turner
 - b. Fisheries Science Center Activities Pete Lawson
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion
 - E.2 Review of 2015 Fisheries and Summary of 2016 Stock Abundance Forecasts Mike Burner
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review and Discuss Relevant Fishery Information, Act on Relevant Conservation Objectives or Status Determinations, and Adopt 2016 Abundance Forecasts and Annual Catch Limits as Necessary
 - E.3 Chinook Fishery Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM) Comanager Update Mike Burner
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Revisions to Chinook FRAM Methodology for Analyzing 2016 Salmon Fisheries
 - E.4 Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2016 Salmon Management Alternatives Including Test Fishery Alternatives Mike Burner
 - a. Report of the Pacific Salmon Commission Bob Turner
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Adopt Council Recommendations for Initial Management Measure and Test Fishing Alternatives for Salmon Technical Team Collation and Description

Friday, March 11, 2016

8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

- A. Call to Order (reconvene) Dorothy Lowman
 - A.6 Commencing Remarks Don McIsaac

Friday, March 11, 2016 (continued)

F. Highly Migratory Species Management

- F.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report** Kit Dahl
- a. Regulatory Activities Heidi Taylor
 - b. Science Center Activities John Stein and Cisco Werner
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion
- F.2 Report on Ongoing Exempted Fishing Permits** Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Current Status of Exempted Fishing Permits in West Coast Highly Migratory Species Fisheries, Make Recommendations on Issuance or Extensions, Comment on Letter of Acknowledgement for Gear Research
- F.3 Deep-Set Buoy Gear Amendment Scoping** Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Issues to be Addressed in a Fishery Management Plan Amendment to Authorize Deep-Set Buoy Gear in West Coast Highly Migratory Species Fisheries

E. Salmon Management (continued)

- E.5 Council Recommendations for 2016 Management Alternative Analysis** Mike Burner
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Direction to the Salmon Technical Team and Salmon Advisory Subpanel on Alternative Development and Analysis

Saturday, March 12, 2016

8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

- A. Call to Order (reconvene)** Dorothy Lowman
- A.7 Commencing Remarks** Don McIsaac
- F. Highly Migratory Species Management (continued)**
- F.4 Recommendations for International Management Activities**
- Including U.S.-Canada Albacore Treaty Area Fishery Update** Kit Dahl
- a. Report on the WCPFC Meeting Dorothy Lowman
 - b. Report of the National Marine Fisheries Service Heidi Taylor
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. **Council Action:** Consider Reports on International Activities and 2015 U.S.-Canada Albacore Fishery and Recommendations for the 90th Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission Meeting and any Fishing Regime for 2017 and Beyond

Saturday, March 12, 2016 (continued)

G. Groundfish Management

- G.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report** Kelly Ames
 - a. Regulatory Activities Frank Lockhart
 - b. Fisheries Science Center Activities Michelle McClure, John Stein
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion

- G.2 Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) for California Mid-Water Commercial Jig Gear for 2017-2018** Jim Seger
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary EFP for Public Review

- G.3 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures for 2017-2018 Groundfish Fisheries** John DeVore, Kelly Ames
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion

E. Salmon Management (continued)

- E.6 Further Council Direction for 2016 Management Alternatives** Mike Burner
 - a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Further Guidance and Direction as Necessary

Sunday, March 13, 2016

8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

- A. Call to Order (reconvene)** Dorothy Lowman
 - A.8 Commencing Remarks

- H. Pacific Halibut Management**
 - H.1 Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Meeting** Kelly Ames
 - a. IPHC Report Bruce Leaman
 - b. Council IPHC Representative Report Phil Anderson
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. **Council Action:** Consideration of the IPHC Meeting Reports

Sunday, March 13, 2016 (continued)

H. Pacific Halibut Management (continued)

H.2 Incidental Catch Recommendation Options for the Salmon Troll and Final Recommendations for Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

Kelly Ames

- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Make Recommendations for Inseason Changes to April 2016 Retention Limits in the Salmon Troll Fishery, as Necessary; Adopt Public Review Options for 2016 and April 2017 Salmon Troll Fishery; Adopt Final Retention Limits for 2016 Fixed Gear Sablefish Fishery

H.3 Halibut Incidental Groundfish Regulations Final Action

Kelly Ames

- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Regulations for Sablefish Fishery Incidental Landing Regulations

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

G.4 Consideration of Inseason Adjustments, Including Carryover

Kelly Ames

- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt Recommendations for Adjustments Including Carryover to 2016 Groundfish Fisheries, as Necessary

G.5 Oregon Mid-Water Sport Fishery Regulations Final Action

Kelly Ames

- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Regulations for Mid-Water Sport Fishery in Oregon

E. Salmon Management (continued)

E.7 Adoption of 2016 Management Alternatives for Public Review

Mike Burner

- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt Management Alternatives for Public Review

E.8 Salmon Hearings Officers

Mike Burner

- a. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers
- Dorothy Lowman

E.9 Sacramento River Winter Chinook Control Rule Update

Mike Burner

- a. Report of the Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup
- Mike O'Farrell
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Direction to the Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup on Development and Analysis of Control Rule Options

Monday, March 14, 2016
8:00 AM Capitol Ballroom C-D

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

- G.6 Salmon Endangered Species Act (ESA) Consultation Update** Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on Options for ESA Consultation Standards for Salmon Bycatch in Groundfish Fisheries

- G.7 Electronic Monitoring Exempted Fishing Permit Update and Revisions** Brett Wiedoff
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Recommend Extensions for Exempted Fishing Permits Related to Electronic Monitoring in Groundfish Catch Share Fisheries

- G.8 Changes to Trawl Catch Share Program Gear Regulations - Final Action** Jim Seger
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred Alternatives for Gear Change Regulations Applying to Vessels in the Trawl Catch Share Program, as Appropriate, and Provide Additional Guidance as Necessary

I. Administrative Matters

- I.1 Approval of Council Meeting Record**
- a. Council Member Review and Comments Dorothy Lowman
 - b. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Record

- I.2 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures** Chuck Tracy
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Changes to Council Operating Procedures and Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Committees, and Other Forums

- I.3 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning** Don McIsaac
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

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Day 1—Tuesday, March 8, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	11:00 AM	Sacramento Room
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Feather River Room
Ecosystem Workgroup	8:00 AM	Garden Room
Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup.....	8:00 AM	American River Room
Habitat Committee.....	8:30 AM	Maxi's
Scientific and Statistical Committee	1:00 PM	Terrace Room
Day 2—Wednesday, March 9, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento Room
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon A
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Feather River Room
*Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 AM	*Capitol Salon B
Salmon Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Terrace Room
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 AM	Garden Room
Enforcement Consultants	3:00 PM	Yuba River Room
Tribal Policy Group	Ad Hoc	Maxi's
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	Ad Hoc	Bear River Room
Chairman's Reception	6:00 PM	Capitol Foyer
Day 3—Thursday, March 10, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento Room
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon A
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 AM	Rubicon River Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 AM	Feather River Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Terrace Room
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 AM	Garden Room
SSC Coastal Pelagic Species Subcommittee.....	8:00 AM	Yuba River Room
*Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc	*TBD
Tribal Policy Group	Ad Hoc	Maxi's
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	Ad Hoc	Bear River Room

Day 4—Friday, March 11, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon A
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Groundfish Management Team.....	8:00 AM	American River Room
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 AM	Rubicon River Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 AM	Feather River Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Terrace Room
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 AM	Garden Room
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc	Yuba River Room
Tribal Policy Group	Ad Hoc	Maxi's
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	Ad Hoc	Bear River Room

Day 5—Saturday, March 12, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon A
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Groundfish Management Team.....	8:00 AM	American River Room
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 AM	Rubicon River Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 AM	Feather River Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Terrace Room
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 AM	Garden Room
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc	Yuba River Room
Tribal Policy Group	Ad Hoc	Maxi's
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	Ad Hoc	Bear River Room

Day 6—Sunday, March 13, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon A
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Groundfish Management Team.....	8:00 AM	American River Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel.....	8:00 AM	Terrace Room
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 AM	Garden Room
Enforcement Consultants	Ad Hoc	Yuba River Room
Tribal Policy Group	Ad Hoc	Maxi's
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	Ad Hoc	Bear River Room

Day 7—Monday, March 14, 2016	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 AM	Sacramento
California State Delegation	7:00 AM	Capitol Salon B
Oregon State Delegation.....	7:00 AM	Terrace Room
*Washington State Delegation	7:00 AM	*Garden Room

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