

through noon on Saturday, September 21st, to review staff discussion papers on a preliminary data report, rockfish bycatch, converting halibut trawl bycatch into longline or pot directed fishery quota shares, the effects of an extended groundfish fishing season on halibut bycatch, alternative approaches to rationalizing Gulf of Alaska groundfish fisheries, and additional proposals for elements and options for analysis. An update on the public scoping process will be presented. Opportunities for public comment will be scheduled each day.

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 identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management 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 Gail Bendixen, 907-271-2809, at least 5 working days prior to the meeting date.

Dated: August 16, 2002.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

[I.D. 081502C]

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 bodies will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Council and its advisory bodies will meet September 7-13, 2002. The Council meeting will begin on Tuesday, September 10, at 10 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 10 a.m. on Tuesday, September 10 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings 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: 503-820-2280 or 866-806-7204.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The following items are on the Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order. All items listed are subject to potential Council action.

A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions
2. Council Member Appointments
3. Roll Call
4. Executive Director's Report
5. Approve Agenda
6. Approve March and April Minutes

B. Habitat Issues

Essential Fish Habitat Issues

C. Groundfish Management

1. NMFS Report on Groundfish Management
2. Final Harvest Levels and Other Specifications for 2003
3. Adoption of 2003 Groundfish Management Measures

4. Status of Fisheries and Inseason Adjustments

5. Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP): Update and New Proposals

6. Groundfish Programmatic and Essential Fish Habitat FMP Environmental Impact Statements

7. Update on Amendment 16-Rebuilding Plans

8. Groundfish Stock Assessment Priorities for 2003

9. Amendment 17-Multi-Year Management

10. Scoping for Delegation of Nearshore Management Authority

D. Salmon Management

1. NMFS Report
2. Update of Ongoing Fisheries
3. Scientific and Statistical Committee Methodology Review Priorities

E. Marine Reserves

1. Marine Reserve Proposals for Channel Island National Marine Sanctuary
2. Update on Marine Reserves Processes

F. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Status of 2002 Pacific Halibut Fisheries
2. Proposed Changes to the Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulations

G. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. NMFS Report
2. Pacific Sardine Fishery Update

H. Administrative and Other Matters

1. Legislative Matters
2. Financial Matters
3. Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Standing Committees, and Other Forums
4. Council Staff Work Load Priorities
5. November 2002 Council Meeting Draft Agenda

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 7, 2002

Groundfish Management Team

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 8, 2002

Groundfish Management Team

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 9, 2002

Council Secretariat

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel

Groundfish Management Team

Scientific and Statistical Committee

Salmon Advisory Subpanel

Salmon Technical Team

Habitat Committee

1 p.m.

8 a.m.

8 a.m.

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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS—Continued

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| Legislative Committee | 10 a.m. |
| Budget Committee | 1 p.m. |
| <i>TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 10, 2002</i> | |
| 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. |
| Scientific and Statistical Committee | 8 a.m. |
| Salmon Advisory Subpanel | 8 a.m. |
| Salmon Technical Team | As necessary |
| Enforcement Consultants | Immediately following Council Session |
| <i>WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 11, 2002</i> | |
| Council Secretariat | 7 a.m. |
| California State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Oregon State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Washington State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel | 10 a.m. |
| Groundfish Advisory Subpanel | As necessary |
| Groundfish Management Team | As necessary |
| Salmon Advisory Subpanel | As necessary |
| Salmon Technical Team | As necessary |
| Enforcement Consultants | As necessary |
| <i>THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2002</i> | |
| 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 | As necessary |
| Salmon Advisory Subpanel | As necessary |
| Salmon Technical Team | As necessary |
| Enforcement Consultants | As necessary |
| <i>FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 2002</i> | |
| Council Secretariat | 7 a.m. |
| California State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Oregon State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Washington State Delegation | 7 a.m. |
| Enforcement Consultants | As necessary |

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Dated: August 15, 2002.

Richard W. Surdi,

Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

[I.D. 081502D]

Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

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

ACTION: Notice of public meeting.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council's (Council) Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) will hold a conference call, which is open to the public.

DATES: The CPSAS will convene via conference call Friday, September 6, 2002, from 1 p.m. until business for the day is completed.

ADDRESSES: See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** for a list of public listening station locations.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Dan Waldeck, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Public listening stations will be available at the following locations:

1. National Marine Fisheries Service, 501 W Ocean Blvd., Long Beach, CA 90802, (562) 980-4000, Contact: Jim Morgan;

2. California Department of Fish and Game, 1933 Cliff Drive, Suite 9, Santa Barbara, CA 93109, (805) 568-1231, Contact: Marija Vojkovich;

3. California Department of Fish and Game, 20 Lower Ragsdale Drive, Suite 100, Monterey, CA 93940, (831) 649-2870, Contact: Travis Tanaka; and

4. Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 200, Portland, OR 97220-1384, (503) 820-2280, Contact: Dan Waldeck.

The purpose of the work session is to prepare CPSAS comments to the Council regarding two matters, (1) potential collateral impacts on CPS fisheries from proposed regulations for the 2003 West Coast groundfish fishery, and (2) recommendations from the