

STAFF WORK LOAD PRIORITIES AND DRAFT MARCH 2004
COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

Situation: At each Council meeting, the Council provides guidance on the Council staff work load priorities and the draft agenda for the next Council meeting.

The Executive Director will review a draft of proposed agenda topics for the next three Council meetings, a draft agenda for the March 2004 Council meeting in Tacoma, Washington, a draft matrix of work load priorities for the Council staff for the period November 10, 2003 through March 12, 2004, and any other matters relevant to this agendum.

The Council will hear any reports and comments from advisory bodies, consider public comment, and provide guidance on potential agenda items for the next three Council meetings, specific matters associated with a proposed agenda for the March Council meeting, and priorities for Council staff time allocation between the November and March Council meetings.

Council Task:

- 1. Provide guidance on potential agenda topics for the next three Council meetings.**
- 2. Provide guidance on the draft agenda for the March 2004 Council meeting.**
- 3. Provide guidance on priorities for Council staff workload management between the November and March Council meetings.**

Reference Materials:

1. Exhibit I.4, Attachment 1: Draft Proposed Three-Meeting Outlook for the Pacific Council.
2. Exhibit I.4, Supplemental Attachment 2: Draft Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, March 7-12, Tacoma, Washington.
3. Exhibit I.4, Supplemental Attachment 3: Draft Council Staff Work Load Priorities, November 10, 2003 - March 12, 2004.

Agenda Order:

7. Staff Work Load Priorities and March 2004 Council Meeting Agenda
 - a. Agendum Overview
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. Council Guidance on Work Load, Draft Agenda for the March 2004 Council Meeting, and Priorities for Advisory Body Consideration

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Proposed Preliminary Three Meeting Outlook for the Pacific Council
(All Candidate Agenda Items Listed; Italicized Items are Contingent)

<p>March Tacoma, WA; 3/8/04</p>	<p>April Sacramento, CA; 4/5/04</p>	<p>June Foster City, CA; 06/14/04</p>
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Coastal Pelagic Species

Coastal Pelagic Species
Pacific Mackerel Harvest Guideline 2004-2005
Sardine FMP Amendment Update

Coastal Pelagic Species

STAR Panel Preparation
Consider Initiating FMP Amendment for Sardine Allocation (for final approval 6/2005)

Groundfish

Status of Observer Data Implementation
Policy on Incorporating New Management Information
Consideration of Electronic Log Books
Red-Green Light Threshold: Initial Consideration
Whiting: Adopt final 2004 ABC, OY, and Management Measures
VMS: Update - Implementation and Expansion

Groundfish

2004 Inseason Management
Further Consideration of Electronic Logbooks
Initial EFP Concepts and Set-asides for 2005-2006
2005-2006 Annual Specifications: Step 2 - Adopt ABC's and OY's, and Management Alternatives for Public Review
Red-Green Light Threshold: Final Action
Amendment 16-3: Final Adoption
VMS: Update - Implementation and Expansion
PBEIS: Final Council Action
EFH EIS: Approve EFH Assessment Model (including joint advisory body session)
IQ Committee Update
Open Access Limitation Update
Amendment 16-4: Adopt Alternatives for Public Review

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2004 Inseason Management
IQ Committee Update
Open Access Limitation Update
EFPs: Draft Applications for 2005, Final Set-asides for 2005-2006, and Release of Unused Set-asides for 2004
2005-2006 Annual Specifications: Final Adoption
EFH EIS: Adopt Preliminary Alternatives for DEIS
"Off Year" Science Improvements Update

Alternative Management Approaches

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March	April	June
Tacoma, WA; 3/8/04	Sacramento, CA; 4/5/04	Foster City, CA; 06/14/04
<u>Habitat Issues</u> Habitat Committee Report <i>Corals and Living Substrates Report from NMFS</i>	<u>Habitat Issues</u> Habitat Committee Report	<u>Habitat Issues</u> Habitat Committee Report
<u>Highly Migratory Species</u> Update on NMFS Approval of FMP High Seas Longline Limited Entry Update	<u>Highly Migratory Species</u> Update on NMFS Approval of FMP	<u>Highly Migratory Species</u> <i>High Seas Longline Limited Entry Amendment</i>
<u>Marine Protected Areas</u> CINMS: Consider Range of alternatives Update on other MPA Issues	<u>Marine Protected Areas</u> <i>CINMS: Adopt Preferred Alternative</i> Update on other MPA Issues	<u>Marine Protected Areas</u> <i>CINMS: Adopt Preferred Alternative</i> Update on other MPA Issues
<u>Pacific Halibut</u> Report on IPHC Annual Meeting Adopt Incidental Catch Regulations for Public Review	<u>Pacific Halibut</u> Adopt Final Incidental Catch Regulations	<u>Pacific Halibut</u>
<u>Salmon</u> Inseason Management - Openings Prior to 5/1 (Ft. Bragg) 2004 Management Options: Adopt for Public Review Update on Central Valley Winter and Spring Chinook Conservation Objectives Appoint Hearings Officers Mitchell Act Hatchery Update <i>Final Approval of Experimental Fisheries Proposals</i>	<u>Salmon</u> Fishery Update 2004 Management Measures: Final Adoption MEW Update 2004 Methodology Review: Establish Process and Preliminary Priorities Identify Stocks Not Meeting Conservation Objectives	<u>Salmon</u> Fishery Update
<u>Administrative</u> Adopt Communication Plan Legislative Committee Report Interim Appointments and Replacements Workload Planning and Draft April Agenda Report on Conference (MSA--the first 25 years)	<u>Administrative</u> Legislative Committee Report Workload Planning and Draft June Agenda	<u>Administrative</u> Legislative Committee Report Budget Committee Report Workload Planning and Draft September Agenda