NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON
HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Southwest Region will briefly report on recent international and domestic developments relevant to highly migratory species (HMS) fisheries and issues of interest to the Council. NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center will briefly report on HMS-related science and research activities.

Reference material for this agenda item include the NMFS report (Attachment 1), a NMFS letter detailing issuance of a transhipment permit (Attachment 2), a Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (WPFMC) letter about Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) related activities (Attachment 3), and two public comment letters pertaining to international matters related to the albacore fishery (Agendum H.1.d, Public Comment).

**Council Task:**

**Discussion.**

**Reference Materials:**

2. Agendum H.1, Attachment 2: Transhipment Permit Approval Letter.
3. Agendum H.1, Attachment 3: WPFMC IATTC Letter.

**Agenda Order:**

a. Regulatory Activities
   Svein Fougner
b. Science Center Activities
   Gary Sakagawa
c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
d. Public Comment
e. Council Discussion

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