

## FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

This agenda item will appear on the Council floor in two parts. The first time will be on the initial Council meeting day to gather input from the Council, advisory bodies, and the public for discussion and preliminary guidance. The second time will be near the end of the meeting (on Friday) to allow for final input and Council guidance.

Specifically, this item is intended to refine planning on the following matters:

1. The Council three-meeting outlook for November 2008, March 2009, and April 2009 (Attachment 1).
2. The draft agenda for the November 2008 Council meeting in San Diego, California (Attachment 2) and preliminary agendas for the March and April 2009 meetings (provided in supplemental attachments at the meeting).
3. The schedule and staffing for the trawl rationalization hearings in October (Attachment 3).
4. Council staff workload priorities through the time of the next Council meeting (provided in a supplemental attachment at the meeting).
5. Identification of priorities for advisory body consideration at the next Council meeting.

On Monday, the Executive Director will review the three-meeting outlook (Attachment 1), the November 2008 preliminary proposed Council meeting agenda (Attachment 2), the schedule and staffing assignments for the trawl rationalization hearings, written public comments, and respond to any questions the Council may have regarding these initial planning documents. After hearing any reports and comments from advisory bodies or the public, the Council may provide guidance to staff to help prepare for Part II of the agenda item.

As scheduled on Friday, with the inclusion of any input gathered during the Monday session or other Council actions during the week, the Executive Director will review supplemental proposed drafts of the future meeting agendas, finalize the trawl rationalization hearing assignments, and discuss any other matters relevant to the Council meeting agendas and workload. After considering any reports and comments from advisory bodies and public, the Council will provide guidance for future agenda development and workload. The Council also has the opportunity to identify priorities for advisory body consideration for the September 2008 Council meeting.

### **Council Tasks:**

#### **Monday:**

1. **Receive information and provide initial guidance on potential agenda topics for the next three Council meetings and the trawl rationalization hearings in preparation for final guidance for this agenda item on Friday.**

#### **Friday:**

1. **Review supplemental information and provide further guidance on potential agenda topics for the next three Council meetings.**
2. **Provide final guidance on a draft agenda for the November Council meeting.**

- 3. Finalize the assignments for the trawl rationalization hearings.**
- 4. Provide guidance on Council staff workload.**
- 5. Identify priorities for advisory body considerations at the next Council meeting.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.1.a, Attachment 1: Draft Preliminary Three-Meeting Outlook for the Pacific Council.
2. Agenda Item C.1.a, Attachment 2: Draft Preliminary Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, November 1-7, 2008, San Diego, California.
3. Agenda Item C.1.a, Attachment 3: Schedule of Trawl Rationalization Amendment Hearings.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview Don McIsaac
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

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