MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

During this agenda item, the Council will consider changes in the Council Membership Roster, including Council Members, advisory body membership, and appointments to other forums, and also any relevant changes in Council Operating Procedures (COP).

Changes in Council Member Designees

There have been some recent changes in Council Member Designees which are provided for your information. No Council action is required.

The California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) have added some additional Council Member Designees. In addition to Ms. Marija Vojkovich, who is the primary designee for Director Koch, additional designees are Mr. Sonke Mastrup and Ms. Marci Yaremko (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 1).

The Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) have also made changes in designees. As Interim Director, Mr. Phil Anderson is now the official state representative to the Council. He has designated Ms. Michele Culver as his primary designee and Mr. Patrick Pattillo as an alternate designee (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 2).

Council Advisory Body Appointments

Management and Technical Teams

Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT)
The ODFW has nominated Mr. Greg Krutzikowsky to replace Ms. Cyreis Schmitt on the CPSMT (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 3).

Groundfish Management Team (GMT)
The WDFW has notified the Council that due to severe funding shortages, beginning March 2009, they will be unable to provide two GMT representatives. Mr. Corey Niles will continue as the sole WDFW representative and Ms. Heather Reed will no longer be available to serve (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 4).

Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT)
The National Marine Fisheries Service Southwest Fisheries Science Center (NMFS SWFSC) has nominated Dr. Kevin Piner to replace Dr. Suzanne Kohin on the HMSMT (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 5).

Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW)
The NMFS Northwest Region (NWR) has nominated Dr. Thomas Helser to replace Mr. Dell Simmons on the MEW (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 6).
Advisory Subpanels

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP)
For the vacant Conservation position on the GAP (formerly held by Dr. Stephen Barrager), Environmental Defense have nominated Mr. Shems Jud. The Natural Resources Defense Council (NRDC) and Fishermen’s Marketing Association have sent letters of support for Mr. Jud’s nomination (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 7). No other nominations have been received.

For the vacant Processor position on the GAP (formerly held by Ms. Heather Mann), Mr. Thomas Libby has been nominated by himself and the West Coast Seafood Processors Association (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 8). No other nominations have been received.

For the vacant Washington Charter Boat position on the GAP (formerly held by Mr. Rhett Weber), the Westport Charterboat Association has nominated Mr. Larry Giese (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 9). No other nominations have been received.

Other Council Committees

Groundfish Allocation Committee (GAC) Non-Voting
For the vacant non-voting Processor position on the GAC (formerly held by Ms. Heather Mann), the Council received two nominations:

- Mr. Andrew Bornstein has been nominated by the West Coast Seafood Processors Association (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 8);
- Mr. Richard Carroll has been nominated by Ocean Gold Seafoods (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 10).

Vacancies on Permanent Council Advisory Bodies

The following advisory body position is vacant with no nominations:

Habitat Committee
Idaho Department of Fish and Game Position

Appointments to Other Forums

None proposed at the time of advance Briefing Book release.

Changes to Council Operating Procedures

None proposed at the time of advance Briefing Book release.
Council Action:
1. Confirm or provide guidance on appointments to Council advisory bodies and potential COP changes.
2. Specific actions are required for: the ODFW nomination to the CPSMT; NMFS SWFSC nomination to the HMSMT; NMFS NWR nomination to the MEW; nominations to the Conservation, Processor and Washington Charter Boat positions on the GAP; and two nominations to the GAC nonvoting Processor position.

Reference Materials:
1. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 1: Letter from Mr. Donald Koch to Mr. Donald Hansen specifying Council member designees.
2. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 2: Letter from Mr. Phil Anderson to Mr. Barry Thom specifying Council member designees.
3. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 3: Nomination—Mr. Greg Krutzikowsky to ODFW position on the CPSAS.
4. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 4: Letter from Mr. Phil Anderson to Dr. Donald McIsaac concerning a reduction in GMT representatives.
5. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 5: Nomination—Dr. Kevin Piner to NMFS SWFSC position on the HMSMT.
6. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 6: Nomination—Dr. Thomas Helzer to the NMFS NWR position on the MEW.
7. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 7: Nomination and two letters of support—Mr. Shems Jud to the Conservation position on the GAP.
8. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 8: Nominations—Mr. Andrew Bornstein to the nonvoting Processor Position on the GAC and Mr. Thomas Libby to the Processor position on the GAP.
9. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 9: Nomination—Mr. Larry Giese to the Conservation position on the GAP.
10. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 10: Nomination—Mr. Richard Carroll to the nonvoting Processor position on the GAC.

Agenda Order:
a. Agenda Item Overview  
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b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. Council Action: Consider Changes to Council Operating Procedures and Appoint New Advisory Body Members as Needed

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