

VOTING LOG
Pacific Fishery Management Council
September 18-23, 2005

Motion 1: Approve the agenda as shown in Agenda Item A.4, September Council Meeting Agenda.

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 1 passed.

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 2: Delay the approval of the minutes until Friday.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 2 passed.

Seconded by: Patty Burke

Motion 3: For the proposed Council Operating Procedure (COP) for approving exempted fishing permits for highly migratory species (HMS), adopt the recommendations from the HMSMT as shown in Agenda Item C.3.b, Supplemental Revised HMSMT Report, incorporating the SSC recommendations, and in both the interim and permanent protocol add the HMSAS to the Review and Approval section.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 3 passed.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 4: Adopt for public review, the proposed changes to the Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for 2006, as outlined in Agenda Item D.1.b, WDFW Report, September 2005.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 4 passed.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 5: Adopt for public review, the proposed changes to the Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for 2006, as outlined in Agenda Item D.1.b, ODFW Report, September 2005, and Agenda Item D.1.d, Supplemental ODFW Report, September 2005 with the language changes by Eileen Cooney.

Moved by: Patty Burke
Motion 5 passed.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 6: Adopt for public review, the proposed changes to the Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for 2006 in the Central Oregon subarea, as displayed on the screen:

“After the Labor Day weekend the IPHC, NMFS, and ODFW will consult to determine whether increasing the central Oregon coast Pacific halibut bag limit is warranted with the intent that the quota for the subarea is taken by September 30. If the quota is not attained

by September 30, the season will remain open, maintaining the bag limit in effect at that time, through October 31 or quota attainment, whichever occurs first.”

Moved by: Patty Burke
Motion 6 passed.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 7: Adopt for public review, the proposed changes to the Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for 2006 as follows:

(iv) Columbia River subarea.

The sport fishery in this subarea will have a primary and secondary season structure. The allocation for this subarea is 2.0 percent of the first 130,845 lbs (59.4 mt) allocated to the Washington sport fishery, and 4.0 percent of the Washington sport allocation between 130,845 lbs (59.4 mt) and 224,110 lbs (101.7 mt) (except as provided in section (e)(3) of this Plan), and 5.0 percent of the Oregon/California sport allocation. The primary season is allocated the full amount of the Washington contribution and, from the Oregon/California sport allocation, the number of pounds equal to the Washington contribution. This subarea is defined as waters south of Leadbetter Point, WA (46 deg, 38.17' N. lat.) and north of Cape Falcon, OR (45 deg, 46.00' N. lat.). The primary season will take place beginning on May 1, and continue 7 days per week until the allocation for the primary season is estimated to have been taken, or July 31, whichever is earlier. The secondary season will reopen on Friday of the following week by NMFS via an update to the recreational halibut hotline, and will be managed under two, individual state subquotas. The ports in the area from Cape Falcon north to the Washington/Oregon border (46 deg, 16.00' N. lat.) will be allocated 50 percent of the remaining allocation from the primary season, plus the difference between the Oregon contribution to the primary season and 5.0 percent of the Oregon/California sport allocation. These ports south of the border will remain open three days per week (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) until the secondary season allocation is estimated to have been taken, or September 30, whichever is earlier. The ports in the area from the Washington/Oregon border north to Leadbetter Point would be managed not to exceed 50 percent of the remaining allocation from the primary season, plus additional quota transferred from other Washington subareas, if any. These ports north of the border will remain open three days per week (Friday, Saturday, and Sunday) until the secondary season allocation is estimated to have been taken, or September 30, whichever is earlier. Subsequent to the closure of the secondary season, if there is insufficient quota remaining in the Columbia River subarea for another fishing day, then any remaining quota may be transferred inseason to another Washington and/or Oregon subarea by NMFS via an update to the recreational halibut hotline. Any remaining quota would be transferred to each state in proportion to its contribution. The daily bag limit is one halibut per person, with no size limit. No rockfish may be landed, if halibut are on board the vessel.

Moved by: Patty Burke
Motion 7 passed.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 8: Adopt the recommendations of the GMT, as shown in Agenda Item F.1.b, Supplemental GMT Report for groundfish inseason adjustments, with an increase in the whiting fishery bycatch cap for widow rockfish from 200 mt to 212 mt.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 8 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

Motion 9: Ask the Salmon Subcommittee of the SSC to review the four items contained in Agenda Item G.2.d, Supplemental SSC Report; and the STT's Klamath River conservation objective as outlined in the STT report and report back to the Council.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 9 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

Motion 10: Modify Draft Amendment 18 (Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1--bycatch) as follows: On page 6, Objective 9, restore the struck-out first sentence and amend it to add "in accordance with conservation goals" after the parentheses; move the second sentence in Objective 9 to be the second sentence in Objective 2; on page 26, amend the fourth paragraph by striking "the GMT's report" and inserting "comments from its advisory bodies"; and include the language changes in section 6.4.1.1 as identified in Agenda Item F.3.b, Supplemental GMT Report.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 10 passed.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 11: Adopt for public review the amended version of proposed Groundfish Amendment 18; with the permission given to staff to correct typos, and make editorial changes.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 11 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

Motion 12: Amend Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1, as follows::

On Page 28, in section 6.2.4, delete, "The Habitat Committee, or another committee designated by the Council," and insert: "The Essential Fish Habitat Oversight Committee, which shall be composed of at least representation from the National Marine Fisheries Service, the Groundfish Management Team, the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, the Enforcement Consultants, and the Habitat Committee," and be established by the Council Operating Procedures as a standing committee. And, on page 29 – Strike the last sentence beginning with "Any such changes. . . ."

Moved by: Frank Warrens
Motion 12 Withdrawn, Not Voted On.

Seconded by: Patty Burke

Motion 13: Adopt the following FMP text (Amendment 19) for public review:

6.2.4 The Habitat Conservation Framework

In order to protect EFH from the adverse effects of fishing, the Council has identified areas that are closed to bottom trawling (see sections 6.8 and 7.4). These areas are described in federal regulations and may be modified through the full rulemaking process as described under Section 6.2 D. The Council shall establish an EFH Oversight Committee. At the request of the council, the EFH OC would review the areas currently closed to bottom trawling and recommend to the Council the elimination of existing areas or the addition of new areas, or modification of the extent and location of existing areas. In making its recommendation. . .

Moved by: Frank Warrens
Motion 13 passed.

Seconded by: Patty Burke

Motion 14: Replace “HC” with “EFH Oversight Committee” in bullets 3 and 4 on page 68 (Section 7.3.2 of Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1).

Moved by: Frank Warrens
Motion 14 passed.

Seconded by: Patty Burke

Motion 15: Adopt the FMP text as amended by Motions 12 and 13 for public review with the following additions: include recommendations 2 and 3 of the HC as found in Agenda Item F.4.b, Supplemental HC Report, and the three recommendations of the GMT as found in Agenda Item F.4.b, Supplemental GMT Report; and recommendations #2 and #3 from the GAP, relative to recreational fishing gear, as found in Agenda Item F.4.b, Supplemental GAP Report. Direct Council staff to review the operational definition of bottom contact gear in the amendment and make sure it is consistent with other definitions of bottom contact gear.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 15 passed.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 16: For proposed draft fishing regulations under National Marine Sanctuaries Act Authority for public review, adopt the following:

Option 1: Not to propose fishing regulations for the CINMS under National Marine Sanctuaries Act authority.

Option 2: Recommend fishing regulations to implement Alternative 2 in Agenda Item H.1.a, Attachment 1 under NMSA authority. Requires designation document changes.

Option 3: Recommend fishing regulations to implement Alternative 3 in Agenda Item H.1.a, Attachment 1 under NMSA authority. Requires designation document changes.

Direct Council staff to develop the proposed regulatory language for the options above.

Direct Council staff to send the SSC comments to the CINMS and ask for a response to those comments by October 12, 2005 in time for the November Briefing Book deadline.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

Motion 16 passed.

Motion 17: Adopt Alternative #5 as a stated policy for responding to new building analyses, while maintaining the flexibility to consider alternative rebuilding strategies on a case-specific basis as recommended in Agenda Item F.7.c, Supplemental GMT Report.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 17 passed.

Seconded by: Patty Burke

Motion 18: Approve the stock assessments for use in 2007/2008 groundfish fisheries management that have been indicated by the SSC as providing the best available science as found in Agenda Item F.8.b, Supplemental SSC Report. The motion included the SSC recommendations to not use the stock assessments for vermilion rockfish and kelp greenling in California.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Amendment: Drop sablefish from the list of stock assessments with the intent that additional work on sablefish be done and brought up to the Council at the November meeting

Moved by: Rod Moore

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Amendment withdrawn, not voted on.
Main Motion 18 passed, no amendments.

Motion 19: Have the Council send a letter to NMFS to resolve policy on whether widow rockfish should be managed under a rebuilding plan given the retrospective analysis indicating the stock was never overfished.

Moved by: Rod Moore
Motion 19 withdrawn, not voted on.

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 20: Adopt the recommendations of the GMT (Supplemental GMT Report, Exhibit F.9.b) for spiny dogfish and Pacific cod for public review.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 20 passed.

Seconded by: Rod Moore

Motion 21: Approve the April minutes as shown in Agenda Item B.1.b, Draft April 2005 Minutes, and the June minutes as shown in Agenda Item B.1.a, Draft June 2005 Minutes.

Moved by: Jerry Mallet
Motion 21 passed.

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

Moved by: Bob Alverson

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Amendment: Amend motion 24, to have the comments of the LC included in the proposed letter to Senator Smith along with one additional point, "The issue of what the appropriate division of harvester and processors shares, if any in a dedicated access system needs to be part of a debate within the regional Council process."

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Marija Vojkovich

Amendment passed. Mr. Moore and Dr. Freese abstained from the vote on the amendment to Motion 24.

Main Motion 24 passed. Dr. Burke voted no, Dr. Freese and Mr. Moore abstained.

Motion 25: Approve the report of the Budget Committee as shown in Agenda Item B.4.b, Supplemental Budget Committee Report.

Moved by: Jerry Mallet

Seconded by: Dave Ortmann

Motion 25 passed.

Motion 26: Modify COP 7 to include the non-voting advisors to the Groundfish Allocation Committee, whose members are: These changes are contingent on the passage of COP 7 at the November Council meeting.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 26 passed.

Motion 27: Add to the November agenda the consideration to add a 7th non voting member of the groundfish Allocation Committee to represent the whiting fishery and in anticipation of that action, request staff to seek nominations.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

Motion 27 passed.

Motion 28: Appoint Dr. Stephen Stohs to replace Dr. Sam Herrick on the Highly Migratory Species Management Team.

Moved by: Steve Freese

Seconded by: Jim Harp

Motion 28 passed.

Motion 29: Appoint Ms. Heather Munro Mann to fill the processor sector vacancy on the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel

Moved by: Patty Burke

Seconded by: Frank Warrens

Motion 29 passed.

Motion 30: Appoint Ms. Heather Munro Mann to fill the non-voting advisor vacancy on the Groundfish Allocation Committee.

Moved by: Patty Burke
Motion 30 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

Motion 31: Appoint Mr. Neil Guglielmo to fill the commercial fishery sector vacancy on the Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 31 passed.

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

Motion 32: Appoint Mr. Calvin Frank to fill the Washington Coast Tribal vacancy on the Salmon Advisory Subpanel.

Moved by: Jim Harp
Motion 32 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson