

PRESEASON SALMON MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2014

To plan, announce, and meet *Federal Register* deadlines for public hearing sites and the entire preseason salmon management process, staff needs to confirm details of the process prior to the end of November, 2013. The proposed 2014 process and schedule are contained in Agenda Item C.3.a, Attachment 1.

For 2014, Council staff recommends one salmon management option hearing per coastal state, the same schedule as in 2013. The hearings would be:

- March 24, 2014 Westport, Washington and Coos Bay, Oregon
- March 25, 2014 Eureka, California

In 2014, the March Council meeting will occur in Sacramento, California and the April Council meeting in Vancouver, Washington. Therefore, the public comment period on Sunday of the April meeting in Vancouver also serves as a public comment opportunity. If the states desire to have additional hearings, we suggest they organize and staff them as was done in past years. The table below provides the public attendance at the hearing sites since 1999 for Council reference.

Hearing Site Location ^{1/}	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013
Westport	18	24	30	11	16	16	25	26	34	20	27	21	54	25	36
Astoria	14														
Tillamook		13	16 ^{2/}	18 ^{2/}											
Coos Bay	31	36	18	40	26	26	105	146	43	60	108	60	19	29	25
Eureka	18	37	12	25	46					167	65	34	41	42	28
Ft. Bragg						27	38								
Santa Rosa		4						500	35						
Moss Landing ^{2/}	51	50	33	14											

1/ Sites in bold are proposed for Council staffing in 2014.

2/ Hearing staffed by state personnel.

Council Action:

1. **Confirm Council-staffed hearing sites and state intentions for additional hearings.**
2. **Approve staff's overall proposed schedule and process for developing 2014 ocean salmon management measures.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.3.a, Attachment 1: Pacific Fishery Management Council Schedule and Process for Developing 2014 Ocean Salmon Fishery Management Measures.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt a 2014 Preseason Management Schedule

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