

CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES

The Habitat Committee (HC) will meet on Thursday, October 31, 2013, to discuss groundfish essential fish habitat, Columbia and Klamath River issues, the proposed aquaculture project off San Pedro, California, and other issues.

At the September Council meeting, the Council approved a letter to the Department of Energy (DOE) on the impacts of offshore wind projects. The final letter is attached (Agenda Item D.1.a, Attachment 1). The letter outlines topics for research related to offshore wind energy development, as called for in the DOE's Request for Information, with emphasis on ocean conditions and project specifications unique to the West Coast.

Council Action:

Consider comments and recommendations developed by the HC.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item D.1.a, Attachment 1: Final letter to the Department of Energy.
2. Agenda Item D.1.b, Supplemental HC Report.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report of the Habitat Committee
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations

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