

PRESEASON SALMON MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE FOR 2015

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 2014. The proposed 2015 process and schedule are contained in Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1.

For 2015, Council staff recommends one salmon management option hearing per coastal state. The hearings would be:

- March 30, 2015 Westport, Washington and Coos Bay, Oregon
- March 31, 2015 Eureka, California

In 2015, the March Council meeting will occur in Vancouver, Washington and the April Council meeting in Rohnert Park, California. Therefore, the public comment period regarding the tentative adoption of management measures for analysis at the April meeting in Rohnert Park 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 2000, for Council reference.

Hearing Site Location ^{1/}	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014
Westport	24	30	11	16	16	25	26	34	20	27	21	54	25	36	26
Astoria															
Tillamook	13	16 ^{2/}	18 ^{2/}												
Coos Bay	36	18	40	26	26	105	146	43	60	108	60	19	29	25	14
Eureka	37	12	25	46					167	65	34	41	42	28	
Ft. Bragg					27	38									
Santa Rosa	4						500	35							5
Moss Landing ^{2/}	50	33	14												

1/ Sites in bold are proposed for Council staffing in 2015.

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 2015 ocean salmon management measures.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item F.3.a, Attachment 1: Pacific Fishery Management Council Schedule and Process for Developing 2015 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 2015 Preseason Management Schedule

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