

VOTING LOG  
Pacific Fishery Management Council  
217<sup>th</sup> Meeting  
March 2013

**Motion 1:** Adopt the proposed agenda (Agenda Item A.4, March 2013 Council Meeting Agenda) as our working agenda for this meeting, with the proviso that all decisions made at this meeting, with the exception of C.6, Adoption of 2013 Management Alternatives for Public Review and C.7, Salmon Hearings Officers, be considered “Preliminary Selections” to be formalized under a specific agenda item at the April 2013 Council Meeting.

Moved by: Dorothy Lowman                      Seconded by: Gway Kirchner  
Motion 1 carried unanimously.

**Motion 2:** Adopt the 2013 stock abundance forecasts, ABCs, and ACLs as shown in Supplemental Preseason Report 1, February 2013, with the addition of a Grays Harbor wild Chinook forecast of 20,636 adults and a Grays Harbor hatchery Chinook forecast of 3,632 adults.

Moved by: Phil Anderson                      Seconded by: Steve Williams  
Motion 2 carried unanimously.

**Motion 3:** Council forward approval of the Northwest Sardine Survey 2012-2013 Application (Agenda Item D.1.a, Attachment 2: West Coast Aerial Sardine Survey 2012 Application for Exempted Fishing Permit).

Moved By: Steve Williams                      Seconded by: Michele Culver

**Amndmnt 1:** Council to include Agenda Item D.1.a, Attachment 3: Addendum to West Coast Aerial Sardine Survey 2012 Application for Exempted Fishing Permit in the motion.

Moved By: Michele Culver                      Seconded by: Dale Myer  
Amendment 1 carried unanimously.      Motion 3, as amended, carried unanimously.

**Motion 4:** Council adopt the final five year Research and Data Needs document (Agenda Item F.1.a, Attachment 1) with changes as indicated in: Agenda Item F.1.b, Supplemental SSC Report recommending categorization of research needs in the Ecosystem Section based exclusively on the potential benefits; Agenda Item F.1.b, Supplemental GMT Report recommending additional research and data needs; and Agenda Item F.1.b, Supplemental GAP Report bullets 1 and 3, recommending changes to the priorities for reading hake survey otoliths and exploring the use of hook-and-line surveys to cover untrawlable areas.

**Amndmnt 1:** Include all three bullets from Agenda Item F.1.b, Supplemental GAP Report.

Moved By: Marci Yaremko                      Seconded by: Buzz Brizendine  
Amendment 1 carried unanimously.      Motion 4, as amended, carried  
unanimously.

**Motion 5:** Direct the South of Humbug Pacific Halibut Workgroup to analyze the impacts of moving the central Oregon subarea boundary south from Humbug Mt. to the Oregon/California border.

Moved by: Steve Williams                      Seconded by: Jeff Feldner

**Amndmnt 1:** Include analysis of the impacts associated with the four bulleted recommendations of the South of Humbug Policy Committee (Agenda Item G.2.a, Attachment 1, page 2).

Moved by: Michele Culver                      Seconded by: Marci Yaremko

**Amndmnt 1a:** Change the wording in the first bullet from “targeting” to “retention.”

Moved by: David Hanson                      Seconded by: Michele Culver

Amendment 1a carried unanimously.      Amendment 1, as amended, carried  
unanimously.

**Amndmnt 2:** Include analysis of opening the South of Humbug subarea from May 1 to June 30 and September 1 to October 31, and catch savings resulting from new Marine Protected Areas effective in 2012.

Moved by: Marci Yaremko                      Seconded by: David Crabbe  
Amendment 2 carried unanimously.      Motion 5, as amended, carried  
unanimously

**Motion 6:** Adopt the range of Pacific halibut landing restrictions for the salmon troll fishery as shown in Agenda Item G.3.b, Supplemental SAS Report for public review.

Moved By: Steve Williams                      Seconded by: Phil Anderson

**Amndmnt 1:** Add an Option 4 using the same language:

Beginning May 1, 2013, license holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per each ten Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than five halibut landed per trip.

Moved by: Marci Yaremko                      Seconded by: David Crabbe  
Amendment 1 failed (Ms. Yaremko, Mr. Crabbe, Mr. Brizendine, and Mr. Pollard  
voted in favor ).

Motion 6 carried unanimously.

**Motion 7:** Adopt for public review the range of Pacific halibut landing restrictions for the directed fixed gear sablefish fishery in the area north of Point Chehalis for 2013 and 2014, as represented in Agenda Item G.3.b, Supplemental GAP Report.

Moved by: Phil Anderson                      Seconded by: Steve Williams  
Motion 7 carried unanimously.

**Motion 8:** Adopt for public review the season dates for the incidental halibut harvest in the commercial sablefish fishery north of Point Chehalis, Washington for 2014 and beyond of April 1 through October 31 and a second option of status quo, which is May 1 through October 31.

Moved by: Phil Anderson                      Seconded by: Steve Williams  
Motion 8 carried unanimously.

**Motion 9:** Adopt a process for determining the status of data-moderate stocks as depicted in Figure 2 in Agenda Item H.2.a, Attachment 1 with the following changes (based on Agenda Item H.2.d, Supplemental WDFW Motion with modifications):

- Immediately below the first box “Data Moderate Assessment Passes STAR and SSC review;” insert an oval designating “the status would be used as estimated” – flow down to stock depletion estimate.
- If stock is above target spawning output change or in the precautionary zone, do either a full or updated data moderate assessment to produce an *update on a five year cycle* (CHECK)
- Change “status used and reported as estimated” to the “status reported as estimated” in cases where the stock is considered above target spawning output or in the precautionary zone.
- If below Minimum Stock Size Threshold (MSST) and there is enough data for a full assessment, then the stock should be a candidate for a full assessment to produce an update on the five year cycle. If there is not enough data for a full assessment, that row will remain as reflected.

Motion includes the adoption of the recommendations in Agenda Item H.2.b, Supplemental SSC Report and Agenda Item H.2.b, Supplemental GMT Report.

Moved by: Michele Culver                      Seconded by: Gway Kirchner  
Motion 9 carried unanimously.

**Motion 10:** Adopt the recommendations of the GMT as provided in Agenda Item H.3.b, Supplemental GMT Report to:



1. Take no action on the specific options presented in Agenda Item I.2.b, HMSMT Reports 2 and 3 to open select times and areas of the Pacific Leatherback Conservation Area (PLCA).
2. Task the HMSMT with evaluating a potential modification to the PLCA as follows: For only the triangle area identified in Figure 1 of Agenda Item I.2.b, Supplemental HMSAS Report: Access to this portion of the PLCA would be authorized only for vessels with both an onboard observer and VMS, meaning vessels unable to meet requirements to carry observers, or vessels without VMS would be precluded. Analysis should include an expectation of future effort levels in the area under these constrains, and evaluation of both present and past catch and turtle bycatch and interaction rates in this portion of the PLCA. The outer boundary of this triangle shall be defined by a single straight line approximating the 100 mile contour. Provide this analysis to the Council in early 2014.
3. Request that NMFS continue to evaluate the prospect of utilizing recent research advancements in sea turtle movement patterns as presented in the NMFS SWFSC Report (Agenda Item I.1.c, Attachment 1), to develop adaptive management strategies for the PLCA that would allow for adjustments to times and areas to minimize sea turtle interactions. Couple this evaluation with the HMSAS recommendation to also examine sea temperature and other biological and oceanographic data. Task the HMSMT with evaluating tools that may be necessary to ensure compliance with these flexible management measures; including the following:
  - a. Whether the present observer coverage (20 percent goal) is adequate to accurate estimate bycatch in the present-day DGN fishery.
  - b. A VMS requirement in the drift gillnet (DGN) fishery.Provide this report to the Council in early 2014.
4. Continue exploring the possibility of managing the DGN fishery with hard caps on incidental sea turtle take and other listed species, modeled after the Hawaii shallow-set longline fishery, and report to the Council on progress in early 2014.
5. Request that NMFS continue evaluating the efficacy of deep-set longline gear, deep set buoy gear, and other alternative gears for effectiveness in harvesting target species and reducing bycatch and interactions with leatherback turtles and marine mammals, toward the goal of developing viable alternatives to DGN gear, and report to the Council on progress in early 2014.

Moved by: Marci Yaremko  
Motion 12 carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Buzz Brizendine

**Motion 13:** The Council tasks the HMSMT with updating their prior work and identifying a suite of potential domestic and international management measures suitable for a precautionary management framework for North Pacific albacore that the Council can evaluate and possibly provide to the U.S. delegation prior to the WCPFC's Northern Committee meeting in September 2013. Specifically, identify potential

measures that should be avoided. Specify which measures are appropriate for a catch-based management framework and those appropriate for an effort-based management framework. In addition, evaluate and comment as appropriate on the Canadian proposal submitted to the IATTC (appended to Agenda Item I.3.b, Supplemental HMSAS Report). The HMSMT should bring recommendations to the Council at the June 2013 meeting.

Moved by: Steve Williams

Seconded by: Jeff Feldner

**Amndmnt 1:** Modify the first sentence in Motion 13 to read “identifying a suite of potential ~~domestic and international management measures~~ harvest control rules and reference points suitable for the precautionary management framework...”

Moved By: Mark Helvey

Seconded by: David Crabbe

Amendment 1 carried unanimously.  
unanimously.

Motion 13, as amended, carried

**Motion 14:** Adopt recommendations #1 and #3 in Agenda Item I.3.b, Supplemental HMSMT Report 2 - and a modification of #2 as follows: advise the U.S. Delegation to the IATTC and WCPFC to advocate for reduced harvest rates down to 2002-2004 levels for all nations.

Moved by: Dorothy Lowman

Seconded by: Rich Lincoln

Motion 14 carried unanimously.

**Motion 15:** Approve as final: Agenda Item F.2.a, Attachment 1: Draft Minutes: 214<sup>th</sup> Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (June 2012); and Agenda Item F.2.a, Attachment 2: Draft Minutes: 215<sup>th</sup> Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (September 2012).

Moved by: Dave Ortmann

Seconded by: Herb Pollard

Motion 15 carried unanimously.

**Motion 16:** Appoint Sgt Dan Chadwick to the Washington Fish and Wildlife seat on the Enforcement Consultants.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Dale Myer

Motion 16 carried unanimously.

**Motion 17:** Appoint Mr. Scott Grunder to the Idaho Department of Fish and Game seat on the Habitat Committee.

Moved by: Dave Ortmann

Seconded by: Herb Pollard

Motion 17 carried unanimously.



Moved by: David Sones  
Motion 22 carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Rich Lincoln

**Motion 23:** The Council adopt for public review the alternatives for non-Indian commercial and recreational fisheries north of Cape Falcon as presented in Agenda Item C.6.b, Supplemental STT Report (March 11, 2013) with one change: in Alternative I, the overall non-Indian TAC for coho would be 90,000 marked coho with a healed adipose fin clip.

Moved by: Phil Anderson

Seconded by: Rich Lincoln

**Amndmnt 1:** Modify part “d” under C.5 on page 18 as follows:

C.5. Inseason Management:

...

d. Fishery managers may consider inseason action ~~permitting the retention of unmarked coho~~ modifying regulations restricting retention of unmarked coho. To ensure that preseason projected impacts of the fishery are not exceeded, any inseason action shall consider, if significant, the difference between observed and preseason forecasted mark rates. Such a consideration may also include a change in bag limit of two salmon, no more than one of which may be a coho. ~~If retention of unmarked coho is permitted by inseason action, the allowable coho quota will be adjusted to ensure preseason projected impacts on all stocks is not exceeded.~~

Moved By: Bob Turner  
Amendment 1 carried unanimously.  
unanimously.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson  
Motion 23, as amended, carried

**Motion 24:** Adopt for public review the alternatives for non-Indian commercial and recreational fisheries between Cape Falcon and the Oregon/California border presented in Agenda Item C.6.b, Supplemental STT Report (March 11, 2013), with two exceptions: 1) on page 13 under Alternative I, Cape Falcon to Humbug Mt – change the non-mark-selective coho fishery quota to 16,000 and 2) request the STT model an inseason rollover of 12,000 coho from the July mark-selective recreational fishery into the September non-mark-selective fishery in Alternative I on a LCN coho impact neutral basis.

Moved by: Steve Williams  
Motion 24 carried unanimously.

Seconded by: Jeff Feldner

**Motion 25:** Adopt for public review the alternatives for non-Indian commercial and recreational fisheries south of the Oregon/California border as presented in Agenda Item C.6.b, Supplemental STT Report (March 11, 2013), with the following changes:



- Fort Bragg Area Commercial (Page 5)
  - Alternative I - modify July to read “July 10-31.”
    - Add a 2014 commercial season for April 16-30, for all salmon except coho with a 27 inch minimum Chinook size limit; same gear restrictions as in 2013. All fish caught in the area must be landed in the area.
  - Alt II:
    - Modify June to read “June 1-8 and June 23-30.”
    - Add a 2014 commercial season for April 16-30, for all salmon except coho with a 27 inch minimum Chinook size limit; same gear restrictions as in 2013. All fish caught in the area must be landed in the area.
  - Alt III:
    - Modify June to read “June 1-5, 14-18, 24-30. Amend July to read “July 6-31. Add a 2014 commercial season for April 16-30, for all salmon except coho with a 27 inch minimum Chinook size limit; same gear restrictions as in 2013. All fish caught in the area must be landed in the area.
- San Francisco Area Commercial (Page 6)
  - Alt I: Change dates in July to “July 10-31.”
  - Alt II. Change June to “June 1-8 and 23-30.”
  - Alt III. Change June to “June 1-5, 14-18, 24-30.” Change July to “July 6-31.”
- Monterey South Area Commercial—reflect same dates as now described in San Francisco Area for each Alternative.
- Pt. Arena to Pigeon Pt (San Francisco Area) Recreational (Page 15).
  - Alt I: April 6-November 10—change to read “open 5 days per week, Wed-Sun June 1-July 9.”
- Monterey Area Recreational (Page 15)
  - Alt I: Amend to read “April 6-October 6; open 5 days per week Wednesday through Sunday June 1-July 9.”
  - Alt II: Amend to read 7 days per week all salmon . . . . “thru May 31; 26 inch total length limit July 1-31; 20 inches thereafter.”

Moved by: Marci Yaremko  
Motion 25 carried unanimously.

Seconded by: David Crabbe

**Amndmnt 1:** Change Recreational Alternative II in the Monterey Area to read “June 1 through July 31” (for the 26 inch total length limit).

Moved By: David Crabbe  
Amendment 1 carried unanimously.  
unanimously.

Seconded by: Buzz Brizendine  
Motion 25, as amended, carried