

## NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

Ms. Heidi Taylor will provide an update on recent regulatory activities related to the Council's Fishery Management Plan for West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species.

Drs. John Stein and Cisco Werner will report on the results of the 2014 independent program review of fish stock assessments stemming from the NOAA Fisheries Plan for Advancements and Improvements. In 2015 a similar review will be conducted for the Northwest and Southwest Fisheries Science Centers work on protected species science for assessments. These two Science Centers have joint responsibility on the West Coast for protected species assessments.

### **Council Action:**

### **Discussion.**

### Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item H.1.b, NMFS Report: National Marine Fisheries Service Regulatory Activities.
2. Agenda Item H.1.c, FSC Report: NOAA Fisheries Stock Assessments in 2014: Program Review and Plans for Advancements and Improvement.
3. Agenda Item H.1.e, Public Comment (*Electronic Only*).

### Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview
  - b. Regulatory Activities
  - c. Science Center Activities
  - d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
  - e. Public Comment
  - f. Council Discussion
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