

PROPOSED AGENDA
Highly Migratory Species Management Team

Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa Hotel
Balboa Bay 2
3050 Bristol Street
Costa Mesa, CA 92626
November 15-17, 2014

This meeting is open to the public and public comments will be accepted at the discretion of the Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) Chair. Agenda times are approximate and are subject to change.

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 15, 2014 – 8:00 A.M.

A. Call to Order (30 min.)

1. Introductions
2. Approval of Agenda

Joint Meeting of the HMSAS and HMSMT in Balboa 1

B. Recreational Policy Update (30 minutes, Agenda Item C.2)

Briefing by Craig Heberer

C. NMFS West Coast Region Strategic Plan (30 minutes, Agenda Item C.5)

Briefing by Heidi Taylor

D. Drift Gillnet Hard Caps (2 hours, Agenda Item I.4)

1. Range of alternatives for drift gillnet hard caps (Kit Dahl)
2. Preliminary results of the bootstrap analysis (Steve Stohs)

E. Electronic Technology Plan Final Action (1 hour, Agenda Item C.4)

Briefing and Q&A by Steve Freese

End Joint Meeting

F. International Activities (2 hours, Agenda Item I.2)

Lead: Heidi Taylor

G. Bluefin Tuna Management Measures Final Action for 2015-2016 Fisheries (4 hours, Agenda Item I.3)

Leads: Cyreis Schmitt, Liz Hellmers

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 16, 2014 – 8:00 A.M.

H. Drift Gillnet Hard Caps and Other Priorities for 2015-2016 Fisheries (4 hours, Agenda Item I.4)

Leads: Craig Heberer, Steve Stohs

I. Retention of Salmon and Albacore on a Single Trip (1 hour)

Briefing and Q&A by Dayna Matthews. Enforcement has raised concerns about the retention of salmon and albacore on the same trip since salmon are listed as a prohibited species in the HMS Fishery Management plan (FMP) and regulations:

§ 660.705 Prohibitions. In addition to the general prohibitions specified in § 600.725 of this chapter, it is unlawful for any person to do any of the following:

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(e) When fishing for HMS, fail to return a prohibited species to the sea immediately with a minimum of injury.

§ 660.711 General catch restrictions. (a) Prohibited species. HMS under the FMP for which quotas have been achieved and the fishery closed are prohibited species. In addition, the following are prohibited species:

(1) Any species of salmon. (2) Great white shark. (3) Basking shark. (4) Megamouth shark. (5) Pacific halibut.

J. Informational Report on Vessel Movement Monitoring (1 hour)

Briefing and Q&A by Dayna Matthews

K. Other Business

L. Draft Statements, as Necessary

MONDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 2014 – 8:00 A.M.

M. Draft Statements, as Necessary

HMS agenda items are scheduled on the Council floor all day.

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