

## PROPOSED AGENDA Pacific Fishery Management Council

Clarion Hotel  
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April 8-11, 1997

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### Notice to Public

The actual order and timing of agenda items may vary somewhat from the proposed agenda. Items not completed on the scheduled day will be carried over to the next day. Items may be moved to an earlier time. If you are interested in providing oral testimony, please complete a registration card and specify the agenda item on which you wish to speak. After public comment begins on each agenda item, additional cards will not be accepted on that item. Public comments on items not on the agenda will be accepted at 4 p.m. on Tuesday. Oral testimony is limited to five minutes for individuals and ten minutes for groups or individuals representing organizations.

All written information submitted to the Council by an interested person shall include a statement of the source and date of such information. Any oral or written statement shall include a brief description of the background and interests of the person in the subject of the oral or written statement.

Financial interest statements for the appointed Council members and the executive director are available for inspection at the staff table.

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TUESDAY, APRIL 8, 1997

*Golden Gate Ballroom*

CLOSED SESSION  
8 A.M.

(Closed to all except Council members, their designees and others designated by the Chairman to discuss litigation and personnel matters.)

GENERAL SESSION  
8:30 A.M.

#### A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions, Roll Call
2. Approve Agenda - **ACTION**

Robert Fletcher, Chair

#### B. Salmon Management

1. Tentative Adoption of 1997 Ocean Salmon Management Measures for Analysis
  - a. Summary of Public Hearings
  - b. Summary of Written Public Comments
  - c. Recommendations of the U.S. Section of the Pacific Salmon Commission
  - d. Endangered Species Act Requirements
  - e. Recommendations of the North of Cape Falcon Forum
  - f. Recommendations of the Klamath Fishery Management Council
  - g. Update on Estimated Impacts

Hearing Officers  
John Coon

Participants  
NMFS  
WA, OR, Tribes  
Don McIsaac  
Ken Henry

added clarification that <sup>1</sup> Mr. Doug McCeohgan will give comments on this item.

- h. Comments of the Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) and Enforcement Consultants (EC)
- i. Tribal Comments
- j. Public Comments
- k. Council Direction

**C. Habitat Issues**

- 1. Report of the Steering Group (Consider Adding Marine Habitat Expertise to Steering Group) Paul Heikkila
- 2. Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), SAS, Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP), Groundfish Management Team (GMT) and Public Comments
- 3. Council - **ACTION**

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
 4 P.M.  
 Public comments on fishery issues not on the agenda are accepted at this time.

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 9, 1997

GENERAL SESSION  
 8 A.M.

**D. Groundfish Management**

- 1. Status of Federal Regulations Implementing Council Actions NMFS
- 2. Status of Fisheries and Inseason Management Adjustments Mark Saelens
  - a. Report of the GMT
  - b. Comments of the SSC, GAP, EC and Public
  - c. Council - **ACTION**
- 3. Revised Stock Assessment Process Larry Jacobson
  - a. Summary of Process
  - b. Comments of SSC, GMT, GAP and Public
  - c. Council Comments
- 4. Review of Harvest Policy M. Saelens
  - a. GMT Report
  - b. Comments of the SSC, GAP and Public
  - c. Council Direction
- 5. Development of Groundfish Fishery Capacity Reduction Program Peter Leipzig
  - a. Report of the Buyback Committee
  - b. Comments of the SSC, GAP, EC and Public
  - c. Council - **ACTION**

**B. Salmon Management (continued)**

- 2. Clarify Council Direction, If Necessary R. Fletcher

**SALMON / WHITING INDUSTRY MEETING**  
 7 PM - Golden Gate Ballroom  
 Salmon and whiting fishers and other interested individuals will meet to discuss salmon bycatch avoidance in the whiting fishery.

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THURSDAY, APRIL 10, 1997

GENERAL SESSION  
8 A.M.

**D. Groundfish Management (continued)**

6. Scoping for Plan Amendments
    - a. Staff Report
    - b. Agency Guidance
    - c. Comments of SSC, GAP and Public
    - d. Identify Issues, Options, Schedule - **ACTION**
  7. California Gillnet Regulations in the EEZ
    - a. Summary of Analysis
    - b. Summary of Written Comments
    - c. Comments of SSC, EC and Public
    - d. Final - **ACTION**
  8. Status Report on Oregon Observer Program
  9. Report of the Industry Meeting on Salmon Bycatch Avoidance in the Whiting Fishery
  10. Composition of the GAP
    - a. Summary of Issue
    - b. Public Comments
    - c. Council - **ACTION**
  11. GMT, Staff and NMFS Work Load
- Jim Glock  
NMFS, NOAA GC
- Don Schultz  
Julie Walker
- ODFW, OTC
- Participants
- Larry Six
- M. Saelens, J. Glock, B. Robinson

FRIDAY, APRIL 11, 1997

GENERAL SESSION  
8 A.M.

**E. Administrative and Other Matters**

1. Report of the Budget Committee
  2. Status of Legislation
  3. Draft Agenda for June 1997 - **ACTION**
  4. Recommendations on Problems Identified w/ Sea Lions off Coast\* of CA
- Jim Harp  
Dave Hanson  
L. Six  
J. Scordino
- B. Salmon Management (continued)**
3. Methodology Reviews for 1997
    - a. Comments of STT, SAS and Public
    - b. Council Direction
  4. Identification of Stocks Not Meeting Escapement Goals for Three Consecutive Years
  5. Final Action on 1997 Measures
    - a. Analysis of Impacts
    - b. Comments of the KFMC
    - c. Comments of the SAS and EC
    - d. Tribal Comments
    - e. Public Comments
    - f. Adopt Final Measures (Including Halibut Incidental Catch) - **ACTION**
- SSC
- K. Henry
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D. McIsaac
- J. Harp et al.

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SCHEDULE OF ADVISORY GROUP MEETINGS

Monday, April 7, 1997

Secretarial Center	8 a.m., April 7-11	Bayshore Room
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Peninsula A Room
Salmon Technical Team	As necessary, April 7-11	Pacific Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	9 a.m.	Sausalito A Room
Habitat Steering Group	10 a.m.	Peninsula B Room
Scientific and Statistical Committee	9 a.m.	Peninsula C Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	1 p.m.	Peninsula A Room
Budget Committee	3 p.m.	San Bruno Room

Tuesday, April 8, 1997

SAS	As necessary	Sausalito A Room
SSC	8 a.m.	Peninsula C Room
GAP	8 a.m.	Peninsula A Room
Enforcement Consultants	7 p.m.	San Bruno Room
STT	As necessary	Pacific Room

Wednesday, April 9, 1997

SAS	As necessary	Sausalito A Room
GAP	As necessary	Peninsula A Room
STT	As necessary	Pacific Room

Thursday, April 10, 1997

SAS	As necessary	Sausalito A Room
GAP	As necessary	Peninsula A Room
STT	As necessary	Pacific Room

Friday, April 11, 1997

SAS	As necessary	Sausalito A Room
STT	As necessary	Pacific Room

State Delegation Meetings (Tuesday -Friday 7 a.m. to 8 a.m.)

Washington	Sausalito B Room
Oregon	Peninsula A Room
California	Sausalito A Room

The tribes will meet as necessary Monday through Friday in the Embarcadero Room.

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3/27/97