

APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BODIES

Situation: This agenda item concerns the appointment of members to unfilled positions on some of the Council's advisory bodies and confirmation of advisory body officers by the Council chair as outlined below.

Unfilled Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Positions for the 2001-2003 Term

In November, the Council appointed five scientists to the six SSC at-large positions for the 2001-2003 term. In view of Council policy for at least three social scientists on the SSC, the Council was unable to fill the sixth at-large slot from the available nominees (there are currently only two social scientists on the SSC). The Council directed staff to seek nominations for additional social scientists for Council consideration at the March meeting. If no satisfactory social scientists can be found, the Council expressed its intent to likely fill the position with one of the previously nominated scientists with a biological or population dynamics orientation.

Attachment 1 to this exhibit lists the current nominations for the sixth at-large position. The curricula vitae for the nominated scientists are contained in the closed session section of the briefing book (Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 1). The Council has received one new nomination for a social scientist (Dr. R. Bruce Rettig, Economist), in addition to three previously nominated scientists (Drs. Sampson, Punt, and Sands).

Remaining Advisory Subpanel Openings for the 2001-2003 Term

To fill the vacant purse seine position on the Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS), the Council has received nominations for Mr. August ("Auggie") Felando (see Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 2).

As of the time of briefing book mailing, the Council has received no nominations for the vacant Idaho sport representative position on the Salmon Advisory Subpanel.

Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT)

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has nominated Dr. Paul Crone, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, to a position on the CPSMT. Dr. Crone would be the seventh team member. The current team consists of two members from the California Department of Fish and Game, one member each from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife and Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, and two members from NMFS Southwest Fishery Science Center. The letter of nomination and curriculum vitae for Dr. Crone are contained in Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 3.

Confirmation of New Advisory Body Officers

Council custom and policy calls for the Council chair to confirm most advisory body officers who are generally selected each year by a vote of the members of their respective bodies. The following officers are slated for confirmation:

	<u>CHAIR</u>	<u>VICE CHAIR</u>
SSC	To be determined at the March meeting	
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	Mr. John Royal	Ms. Heather Monroe
CPSMT	Dr. Kevin Hill	Ms. Marci Yaremko
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	To be determined at the April meeting	
Groundfish Management Team	Dr. James Hastie and Mr. Brian Culver, co-chairs	
Habitat Steering Group	To be determined at the March meeting	
HMSAS	Mr. Robert Fletcher	Mr. Wayne Heikkila
Highly Migratory Species Plan Development Team	Dr. Dale Squires and Mr. Steve Croke, co-chairs	
SAS	To be determined at the March meeting	
Salmon Technical Team	Mr. Dell Simmons	Mr. Allen Grover

Council Action:

1. **Consider appointment of remaining vacancies for the 2001 through 2003 term to the SSC, and Coastal Pelagic Species and Salmon Advisory Subpanels.**
2. **Consider appointment of a new NMFS member to the CPSMT.**
3. **Council Chair to confirm advisory body officers.**

Reference Material:

1. SSC Nominations (Exhibit G.2, Attachment 1 and Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 1).
2. Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel Nomination (Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 2).
3. Nomination for Dr. Paul Crone to the CPSMT (Closed Session Exhibit A, Attachment 3).

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