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Northwest Region

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SCOPING MEETINGS FOR THE PACIFIC COAST GROUNDFISH FISHERY ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT STATEMENT

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is preparing an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) on the federal managment of the Pacific Coast groundfish fishery in the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off Washington, Oregon, and California. The EIS analysis will include all activities authorized under the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan (FMP) and all amendments to the FMP. When completed, the EIS will present an overall picture of the impacts of the fishery and its management, as conducted under the FMP, on the human environment. To provide for public input into the range of actions, alternatives, and impacts that the EIS should consider, scoping meetings will be held in following six west coast cities:

City	Date	Start Time	Location
Newport, OR	May 22	7 p.m.	Hatfield Marine Science Center, Meeting Room 9, 2040 SE Marine Science
Astoria, OR	May 23	7 p.m.	Oregon State University, Seafood Laboratory, 2021 Marine Drive
Eureka, CA	May 29	5 p.m.	Humboldt Bay Harbor, Recreation and conservation District, Woodley Marina, 601 Startare Drive
Los Alamitos, CA	May 30	3 p.m.	California Department of Fish and Game, 4665 Lampson Ave.
Seattle, WA	June 5	7 p.m.	National Marine Fisheries Service, 7600 Sand Point Way NE, Building 9
Burlingame, CA	June 12	7 p.m.	Park Plaza International Hotel, 1177 Airport Blvd.

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