

CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES

Situation: When the Council approved the November agenda, the Habitat Committee (HC) was directed to develop statements on the following agenda items:

- B.2 Update on MPA Issues (Including SSC White Paper and CINMS Process)
- D.11 Groundfish Programmatic Bycatch EIS: Adopt Alternatives for Public Review
- I.8 Appointments to Advisory Bodies

The HC will also consider developing statements on the following topics:

- B.1 Joint Presentation on Jurisdiction and Authority for MPAs (NMFS and National Ocean Service)
- D.2 Makah Rockfish Enhancement Proposal
- D.3 Feasibility of Using Real-time Electronic Logbook Data in Groundfish Fishery Management
- D.8 Preliminary Optimum Yield (OY), Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC), Management Measures, and Preseason Management Schedule (November-June) for 2005-2006 Fisheries
- D.14 Groundfish Fishery Management Plan Amendment 16-3: Rebuilding Plans for Bocaccio, Cowcod, and Widow and Yelloweye Rockfish

In addition, the HC will discuss the development of a briefing paper on salmon net pen aquaculture, as requested by the Council at the September 2003 meeting; Klamath/Trinity River issues; and other matters.

The HC's complete agenda is provided in Ancillary D.

Council Action:

- 1. Consider comments and recommendations developed by the HC at the November meeting.**

Reference Materials:

None.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Report of the HC
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider HC Recommendations

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