

APPOINTMENTS TO ADVISORY BODIES, STANDING COMMITTEES,  
AND OTHER FORUMS

Situation: This agenda includes appointments to designated agency seats on the Habitat Committee (HC) and the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) as well as three-year term seats on the Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) and the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP).

**Designated Agency Seats**

Nominations for agency representatives for the following have been submitted for approval. Closed Session B.1 and B.2 include letters of nomination and *curriculum vitae* for agency appointments. All agency seats serve indefinite terms.

1. **Replacement for the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) position on the Habitat Committee (HC)** - The ODFW has requested Mr. Hal Weeks replace Ms. Arlene Merems as the ODFW designated seat on the HC.
2. **Filling the National Marine Sanctuary (NMS) position on the Habitat Committee (HC)** - Mr. Huff McGonigal has been nominated to fill the new NMS designated seat on the HC.
3. **Replacement for the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Northwest Region (NWR) positions on the GMT** - The NMFS NWR has requested that Ms. Jamie Goen and Mr. Merrick Burden replace Ms. Becky Renko and Dr. Jim Hastie as the NWR designated seats on the GMT.
4. **Replacement for the ODFW position on the Groundfish Management Team (GMT)** - The ODFW has requested Ms. Cyreis Schmitt replace Mr. Steve Kupillas as one of the ODFW designated seats on the GMT.

**Advisory Subpanel Seats**

Nominations for vacancies for the HMSAS Gillnet Fisheries Representative and the GAP Washington, Oregon, and California Trawl Fisheries Representatives, were solicited after the November 2003 meeting. Nominations received by the deadline of February 13 are listed in the attached tables (Exhibit B.3.a, Attachments 1 and 2). Letters of nomination are included in the briefing book under Closed Session B.3 and B.4.

**Council Action:**

1. **Appoint new members to the GAP, GMT, HC, and HMSAS.**

Reference Material:

1. Exhibit B.3.a, Attachment 1: Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel Nominations.
2. Exhibit B.3.a, Attachment 2: Groundfish Advisory Subpanel Nominations.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. **Council Action:** Appoint New Members as Necessary

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