

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON
COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Southwest Region will briefly report on recent developments relevant to coastal pelagic species (CPS) fisheries and issues of interest to the Council. Specific items anticipated in the report include a discussion of the krill amendment and an update on the 2004-2005 Pacific mackerel fishery. The discussion of the krill amendment will include a progress report on the alternatives analysis including the anticipated role of the CPS Advisory Bodies, the question of a Maximum Sustainable Yield determination, and the selection of a preferred schedule. The Pacific mackerel fishery update will include a review of recent landings and a discussion of releasing the portion of the harvest guideline currently held in reserve for incidental take in other CPS fisheries.

Council Task:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item F.1.a, NMFS Report 1: CPS Regulatory Activities.
2. Agenda Item F.1.a, NMFS Report 2: February 8, 2005 letter from Mr. Rod McInnis to Dr. Donald McIsaac detailing a statement of work, draft alternative analysis outline, and schedule options for the krill amendment.

Agenda Order:

- a. Regulatory Activities
- b. Science Center Activities
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

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