

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS) REPORT

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Southwest Region and Science Center will briefly report on recent developments relevant to highly migratory species fisheries and issues of interest to the Council.

In his presentation, Dr. Sakagawa will reference Agenda Items D.1.b., Attachment 1. He will also update the Council on Science Center activities related to assessing the common thresher shark stock.

Council Task:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item D.1.a: Southwest Region NMFS Report.
2. Agenda Item D.1.a, Attachment 2: Undated and March 6, 2009, letters from the Office of Ocean and Coastal Resource Management to the California Coastal Commission on California's Request to Review an Exempted Fishing Permit Application to NMFS for Exploratory Longline Fishing in the West Coast Exclusive Economic Zone.
3. Agenda Item D.1.b, Attachment 1: Draft Report on Swordfish and Leatherback Use of Temperate Habitat (SLUTH) Workshop.

Agenda Order:

- a. Southwest Region Activity Report
- b. Southwest Fishery Science Center Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

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