

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP  
APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) discussed the composition of the Ecosystem Fishery Management Plan Development Team (Team). This Team will be responsible for defining, scoping, and producing the Ecosystem Fishery Management Plan (EFMP) for the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council). As such, members should be familiar with fisheries management institutions and processes, and have a good sense of how to create a plan that can effectively integrate policy considerations with existing FMPs and new National Standards. Because the new EFMP is primarily a policy document, rather than a technical document, Team members should have a broad view of their discipline and a demonstrated ability to integrate science and policy. Assuring breadth of expertise on the Team is as important as assuring regional and agency representation; social science and economics must be represented as well as ecology and fishery science. The SSC recommends the addition of up to two at-large members to meet these needs.

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