

**PROPOSED AGENDA**  
**Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
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 March 7-12, 2004

**MARCH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY**

<i>Sunday, March 7 and Monday, March 8</i>	<i>Tuesday, March 9</i>	<i>Wednesday, March 10</i>	<i>Thursday, March 11</i>	<i>Friday, March 12</i>
Advisory Body Meetings - see last pages of detailed Council agenda for daily schedule.	Closed Executive Session	Groundfish Management	Groundfish Management	Administrative Matters
	Salmon Management		Habitat Issues	
	Enforcement Issues	Pacific Halibut Management	Marine Protected Areas	Salmon Management
	4 p.m. Public Comment Period (for items <u>not</u> on the agenda)	Salmon Management	Salmon Management	

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Please note the actual order and timing of agenda items may vary somewhat from the proposed agenda. For example, items not completed on the scheduled day will be carried over to the next day. Items may be moved to an earlier time than shown on this proposed agenda. In accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion. However, such issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting, unless they are emergency in nature. Formal Council action will be restricted to those nonemergency issues specifically identified as **Council Action** on the agenda. Public comments on items not on the agenda will be accepted at 4 p.m. on Tuesday.

**To present verbal testimony at this meeting**, please complete a registration card, and specify the agenda item on which you wish to speak. Cards are available at the entry desk inside the Council meeting room. After public comment begins on each agenda item, additional cards will not be accepted on that item. Verbal testimony is limited to five minutes for individuals and ten minutes for groups or individuals representing organizations. Please identify yourself and whom you represent at the beginning of your testimony.

**Written comments or materials received at the Council Office by March 2, 2004** will be included in the materials distributed to the Council for consideration at this meeting. Comments received by **February 20** will be mailed to Council members prior to the meeting. **After March 2 it is the submitter's responsibility to provide Council staff with an adequate number of copies to ensure coverage of the Council (a minimum of 40 copies). Each copy must include the Agenda Item Topic Number in the upper right hand corner of the front page.**

Financial interest statements for the appointed Council members are available for inspection at the documents table in Main Hall A-G-D.

## DETAILED COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA

SUNDAY, MARCH 7 THROUGH FRIDAY, MARCH 12

### ANCILLARY SESSIONS

Various technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, and state delegations will meet throughout the week. See the SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS at the end of this agenda for a complete listing of these meetings.

TUESDAY, MARCH 9, 2004

### CLOSED SESSION

8 A.M.

*Main Hall A-G-D*

(Closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.)

### GENERAL SESSION

9 A.M.

*Main Hall A-G-D*

#### **A. Call to Order**

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| 1. Opening Remarks, Introductions        | Don Hansen, Chair |
| 2. Roll Call                             | Don McIsaac       |
| 3. Executive Director's Report           | Don McIsaac       |
| 4. <b>Council Action:</b> Approve Agenda | Don Hansen        |

#### **B. Administrative Matters**

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| 1. Approval of Council Meeting Minutes                                       |            |
| a. Council Member Review and Comments  | Don Hansen |
| b. <b>Council Action:</b> Approve June, September, and November 2003 Minutes |            |

#### **C. Salmon Management**

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| 1. Update on Pacific Salmon Commission (PSC) Coho Fishery Regulatory Assessment Model (FRAM) for 2004 Salmon Management |              |
| a. Agendum Overview   | Chuck Tracy  |
| b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies  |              |
| c. Public Comment   |              |
| d. Council Discussion of PSC Coho FRAM Status for 2004  |              |
| 2. Review of 2003 Fisheries and Summary of 2004 Stock Abundance Estimates   |              |
| a. Report of the Salmon Technical Team (STT)  | Dell Simmons |

- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion
- 3. Inseason Management Recommendations for Seasons Prior to May 1 for the Commercial Fishery Between Horse Mountain and Point Arena (Fort Bragg Area)
  - a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
  - b. California Department of Fish and Game (CDFG) Recommendations Eric Larson
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. **Council Action:** Consider Adopting Recommendations for Early Opening Dates for the Commercial Fishery in the Fort Bragg Area
- 4. Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2004 Salmon Management Options
  - a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
  - b. Report from the PSC Jim Harp
  - c. Report of the Klamath Fishery Management Council (KFMC) Dan Viele
  - d. NMFS Recommendations Bill Robinson
  - e. Tribal Recommendations Jim Harp
  - f. State Recommendations Phil Anderson/Neil Coenen/Eric Larson
  - g. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - h. Public Comment
  - i. Council Recommendations for Initial Options for STT Collation and Description
- 5. Update on Mitchell Act Hatchery Needs
  - a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
  - b. Report of the Policy Group Randy Fisher
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. Council Discussion and Guidance

***D. Enforcement Issues***

- 1. U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement
  - a. U.S. Coast Guard Report Fred Myer
  - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - c. Public Comment
  - d. Council Discussion

**PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD**  
**4 P.M.**  
 Public comments on fishery issues not on the agenda are accepted at this time.

WEDNESDAY, MARCH 10, 2004

GENERAL SESSION  
8 A.M.  
*Main Hall A-G-D*

**A. Call to Order (reconvene)**

Don Hansen

5. Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

**E. Groundfish Management**

1. NMFS Report

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

Bill Robinson  
Elizabeth Clarke  
Yvonne de Reynier and Dan Viele

2. Lingcod and Cabezon Stock Assessments for 2005-2006

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Approve Stock Assessments

John DeVore

3. Stock Assessment Planning for 2007-2008 Fishery Management

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. NMFS Recommendations
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion and Guidance

John DeVore  
Elizabeth Clarke

4. Status of Groundfish Fisheries and Inseason Adjustments

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. CDFG Report on California Recreational Fisheries
- c. NMFS Report on the 2004 Limited-Entry, Fixed-Gear Sablefish Fishery
- d. Report of the Groundfish Management Team
- e. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- f. Public Comment
- g. **Council Action:** Consider Inseason Adjustments in the 2004 Groundfish Fishery

Mike Burner  
CDFG

James Hastie

**F. Pacific Halibut Management**

1. NMFS Report

- a. Status of Council Management Measure Recommendations for 2004
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

Bill Robinson

2. Report on International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Annual Meeting

- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Summary of Meeting
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

Chuck Tracy  
Phil Anderson

3. Public Review Options for the 2004 Incidental Catch Regulations in the Salmon

- Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries
- a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. State Proposals for the Salmon Troll Fishery
- c. State Proposals for the Fixed Gear Sablefish Fishery
- d. Tribal Comments Jim Harp
- e. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- f. Public Comment
- g. **Council Action:** Adopt Public Review Options for 2004 Incidental Halibut Catch Regulations

**C. Salmon Management (continued)**

- 6. Council Recommendations for 2004 Management Option Analysis
- a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Report of the STT Dell Simmons
- c. Report of the KFMC Dan Viele
- d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- e. Public Comment
- f. Council Direction to the STT and Salmon Advisory Subpanel on Options Development and Analysis

THURSDAY, MARCH 11, 2004

GENERAL SESSION  
8 A.M.  
*Main Hall A-G-D*

- A. Call to Order (reconvene)** Don Hansen
- 6. Commencing Remarks Don McIsaac

**E. Groundfish Management (continued)**

- 5. Pacific Whiting Management John DeVore
- a. Agendum Overview
- b. Perspectives of the Canadian Government
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Adopt Stock Assessment, Final 2004 Acceptable Biological Catch and Optimum Yield, Exempted Fishing Permit and Management Measures

**G. Habitat**

- 1. Current Habitat Issues Stuart Ellis
- a. Report of the Habitat Committee (HC)
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Consider HC Recommendations
- 2. Corals and Living Substrate Jennifer Gilden  
NMFS
- a. Agendum Overview
- b. NMFS Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion
- 3. Artificial Reefs in Southern California Jennifer Gilden
- a. Agendum Overview

- b. Status Report
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

**H. Marine Protected Areas**

- 1. Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Review of Marine Reserves Issues
  - a. Agendum Overview Dan Waldeck
  - b. SSC Report Cindy Thomson
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. **Council Action:** Consider Adopting SSC Recommendations
- 2. Update on Other Marine Protected Area Activities
  - a. Agendum Overview Dan Waldeck
  - b. Report of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary Huff McGonigal
  - c. Report on NOAA Workshop Dan Waldeck
  - d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - e. Public Comment
  - f. Council Discussion

**C. Salmon Management (continued)**

- 7. Salmon Fishery Management Plan Amendment Issues
  - a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
  - b. Report of the Sacramento River Winter/Spring Work Group Dan Viele
  - c. Proposals of the Agencies and Tribes
  - d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - e. Public Comment
  - f. Council Discussion and Guidance
- 8. Council Direction for 2004 Management Options (If Necessary)
  - a. Agendum Overview Chuck Tracy
  - b. Report of the STT Dell Simmons
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. Council Guidance and Direction

FRIDAY, MARCH 12, 2004

GENERAL SESSION  
8 A.M.  
*Main Hall A-G-D*

**A. Call to Order (reconvene)**

- 7. Commencing Remarks Don McIsaac

**B. Administrative Matters (continued)**

- 2. Legislative Matters
  - a. Agendum Overview
  - b. Legislative Committee Report
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. **Council Action:** Consider Recommendations of the Legislative Committee
- 3. Appointments to Advisory Bodies, Standing Committees, and Other Forums
  - a. Agendum Overview
  - b. **Council Action:** Appoint New Members as Necessary
- 4. Draft April 2004 Council Meeting Agenda
  - a. Consider Proposed Final Agenda
  - b. Identify Priorities for Advisory Body Consideration
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Agenda for the April 2004 Meeting
- 5. Regional Council and NMFS Conference: Magnuson-Stevens Act – The First 25 Years
  - a. Agendum Overview
  - b. Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - c. Public Comment
  - d. Council Discussion

Dan Waldeck  
Dave Hanson

Chuck Tracy

Don McIsaac

Dan Waldeck

**C. Salmon Management (continued)**

- 9. Adoption of 2004 Management Options for Public Review
  - a. Agendum Overview
  - b. Report of the STT
  - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
  - d. Public Comment
  - e. **Council Action:** Adopt Management Options for Public Review
- 10. Salmon Hearings Officers
  - a. Agendum Overview
  - b. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers

Chuck Tracy  
Dell Simmons

Chuck Tracy  
Don Hansen

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## SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

### SUNDAY, MARCH 7, 2004

Groundfish Management Team	2 p.m.	Tacoma 4 Room
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### MONDAY, MARCH 8, 2004

Council Secretariat	8 a.m.	Main Hall F
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Tacoma 3 Room
Groundfish Management Team	8 a.m.	Tacoma 4 Room
Klamath Fishery Management Council	8 a.m.	Tacoma 1 Room
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8 a.m.	Main Hall E
Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Main Hall C
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.	Main Hall B
Habitat Committee	11 a.m.	South/Center Room
Legislative Committee	11 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Boardroom
Tribal Policy Group	As necessary	Tacoma 2 Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Groups	As necessary	Executive Board Room
Washington State Delegation	As necessary	North Room

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Oregon State Delegation	7 a.m.	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Boardroom
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Salmon Technical Team	8 a.m.	Main Hall C
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8 a.m.	Main Hall B
Enforcement Consultants	Immediately following Council session	2 <sup>nd</sup> Floor Boardroom
Klamath Fishery Management Council	As necessary	Tacoma 1 Room



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