**PROPOSED AGENDA**  
Pacific Fishery Management Council  
Sheraton Tacoma Hotel  
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Tacoma, WA 98402  
888-627-7044  
March 7-12, 2004

## MARCH COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY

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| Advisory Body Meetings - see last pages of detailed Council agenda for daily schedule. | Closed Executive Session  
Salmon Management  
Enforcement Issues | Groundfish Management | Groundfish Management  
Habitat Issues | Administrative Matters  
Marine Protected Areas  
Salmon Management |
| 4 p.m. Public Comment Period (for items not on the agenda) | Pacific Halibut Management  
Salmon Management | | | |

**Notice to Public**

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.
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

1. Opening Remarks, Introductions
   Don Hansen, Chair
2. Roll Call
   Don McIsaac
3. Executive Director’s Report
   Don McIsaac
4. **Council Action:** Approve Agenda
   Don Hansen

B. Administrative Matters

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

C. Salmon Management

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  

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**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 Mclsaac

E. Groundfish Management

1. NMFS Report
   a. Regulatory Activities  Bill Robinson
   b. Science Center Activities  Elizabeth Clarke
   c. Regional Bycatch Plans  Yvonne de Reynier and Dan Viele
   d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   e. Public Comment
   f. Council Discussion

2. Lingcod and Cabezon Stock Assessments for 2005-2006
   a. Agendum Overview  John DeVore
   b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. Council Action: Approve Stock Assessments

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

4. Status of Groundfish Fisheries and Inseason Adjustments
   a. Agendum Overview  Mike Burner
   b. CDFG Report on California Recreational Fisheries  CDFG
   c. NMFS Report on the 2004 Limited-Entry, Fixed-Gear Sablefish Fishery  James Hastie
   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

F. Pacific Halibut Management

1. NMFS Report
   b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. Council Discussion

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

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

C. Salmon Management (continued)

   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
   Dan Viele
e. Public Comment
   Dan Viele
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
   a. Agendum Overview
   John DeVore
   b. Perspectives of the Canadian Government
   Jennifer Gilden
c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   Jennifer Gilden
d. Public Comment
   Jennifer Gilden
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
   a. Report of the Habitat Committee (HC)
   Stuart Ellis
   b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   Stuart Ellis
c. Public Comment
   Stuart Ellis
d. Council Action: Consider HC Recommendations

2. Corals and Living Substrate
   a. Agendum Overview
   Jennifer Gilden
   b. NMFS Report
   NMFS
c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   Jennifer Gilden
d. Public Comment
   Jennifer Gilden
e. Council Discussion

3. Artificial Reefs in Southern California
   a. Agendum Overview
   Jennifer Gilden
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
   b. SSC Report
   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
   b. Report of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary
   c. Report on NOAA Workshop
   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
   c. Proposals of the Agencies and Tribes
   d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   e. Public Comment
   f. Council Discussion and Guidance

   a. Agendum Overview
   b. Report of the STT
   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

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

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

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## SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

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