197th Session of the
Pacific Fishery Management Council

March 7-13, 2009

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Agenda Item A.4
Proposed Council Meeting Agenda
March 2009

Proposed March 2009 Council Meeting Agenda Summary

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Proposed Detailed AGENDA

SUNDAY, MARCH 8, 2009

Closed Executive Session
Evergreen Ballroom

8:00 am
This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.
9:00 am

A. Call to Order
   A.1 Opening Remarks and Introductions Don Hansen, Chair
   A.2 Roll Call Don McIsaac
   A.3 Executive Director's Report Don McIsaac
   A.4 Council Action: Approve Agenda Don Hansen

B. Open Comment Period
   B.1 Comments on Non-Agenda Items
      a. Agency and Advisory Body Comments
      b. Public Comments
      c. Council Discussion of Comments as Appropriate

C. Coastal Pelagic Species Management
   C.1 Stock Assessment Review (STAR) Panel Terms of Reference for 2009
      a. Agenda Item Overview Mike Burner
      b. Scientific and Statistical Committee Report Steve Ralston
      c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
      d. Public Comment
      e. Council Action: Adopt Final Terms of Reference for Coastal Pelagic Species STAR Panels
   C.2 Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) for Sardine Research
      a. Agenda Item Overview Mike Burner
      b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
      c. Public Comment
      d. Council Action: Adopt EFP for Public Review
   C.3 Fishery Management Plan (FMP) Amendments to Implement Annual Catch Limit (ACL) Requirements
      a. Agenda Item Overview Mike Burner
      b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
      c. Public Comment
      d. Council Action: Scope and Plan FMP Amendments to Implement ACL Requirements

D. Salmon Management
   D.1 Review of 2008 Fisheries and Summary of 2009 Stock Abundance Estimates
      a. Report of the Salmon Technical Team (STT) Robert Kope
      b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
      c. Public Comment
      d. Council Action: Review and Discuss Relevant Fishery Information and Act on 2009 Abundance Estimates as Necessary
General Session
Evergreen Ballroom

8:00 am

A. Call to Order (reconvene)  
A.5 Commencing Remarks  

D. Salmon Management (continued)
  D.2 Identification of Stocks Not Meeting Conservation Objectives  
  a. Agenda Item Overview  
  b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
  c. Public Comment  
  d. Council Action: Direct Necessary Actions Required by the Salmon Fishery Management Plan  

E. Enforcement Issues
  E.1 U.S. Coast Guard Annual West Coast Fishery Enforcement Report  
  a. Agenda Item Overview  
  b. Annual U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement Report  
  c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
  d. Public Comment  
  e. Council Discussion  

D. Salmon Management (continued)
  D.3 Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2009 Salmon Management Options  
  a. Agenda Item Overview  
  b. Report of the Pacific Salmon Commission  
  c. NMFS Recommendations  
  d. Tribal Recommendations  
  e. State Agencies Recommendations  
  f. Report of the Salmon Advisory Subpanel  
  g. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies  
  h. Public Comment  
  i. Council Recommendations for Initial Options for STT Collation and Description  

F. Pacific Halibut Management
  F.1 Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission Meeting  
  a. Agenda Item Overview  
  b. Meeting Summary  
  c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
  d. Public Comment  
  e. Council Discussion
**MONDAY, MARCH 9, 2009 (continued from previous page)**

**F. Pacific Halibut Management (continued)**

**F.2 Incidental Catch Regulations in the Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries**

a. Agenda Item Overview

   Chuck Tracy

b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt Public Review Options for 2009

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**TUESDAY, MARCH 10, 2009**

**General Session**

*Evergreen Ballroom*

**8:00 am**

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

   Don Hansen

A.6 Commencing Remarks

   Don McIsaac

**G. Groundfish Management**

**G.1 Pacific Whiting Harvest Specifications and Management Measures for 2009**

a. Agenda Item Overview

   John DeVore

b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt Final 2009 Stock Assessment, Allowable Biological Catch, Optimum Yield, and Management Measures

**G.2 Consideration of Inseason Adjustments (Including Pacific Whiting Bycatch Limits)**

a. Agenda Item Overview

   Merrick Burden

b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary or Final Recommendations for Adjustments to 2009 Groundfish Fisheries

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**D. Salmon Management (continued)**

**D.4 Council Recommendations for 2009 Management Option Analysis**

a. Agenda Item Overview

   Chuck Tracy

b. Report of the STT

   Robert Kope

c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies

d. Public Comment

e. Council Direction to the STT and Salmon Advisory Subpanel on Options Development and Analysis
**WEDNESDAY, MARCH 11, 2009**

**General Session**  
*Evergreen Ballroom*

**8:00 am**

**A. Call to Order (reconvene)**  
A.7 Commencing Remarks  

**G. Groundfish Management (continued)**

G.3 **Fishery Management Plan Amendment 20 – Trawl Rationalization—Ownership and Miscellaneous Issues**
   a. Agenda Item Overview  
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
   c. Public Comment  
   d. **Council Action:** Scoping of Ownership Trailing Action and Miscellaneous Clarifications

G.4 **Fishery Management Plan Amendment 20 – Trawl Rationalization—Accumulation Limits**
   a. Agenda Item Overview  
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
   c. Public Comment  
   d. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Accumulation Limits

**D. Salmon Management (continued)**

D.5 **Council Direction for 2009 Management Options (If Necessary)**
   a. Agenda Item Overview  
   b. Report of the STT  
   c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
   d. Public Comment  
   e. Council Guidance and Direction

D.6 **Fishery Management Plan Amendments to Implement ACL Requirements**
   a. Agenda Item Overview  
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies  
   c. Public Comment  
   d. **Council Action:** Scope and Plan FMP amendments to Implement ACL Requirements

**THURSDAY, MARCH 12, 2009**

**General Session**  
*Evergreen Ballroom*

**8:00 am**

**A. Call to Order (reconvene)**  
A.8 Commencing Remarks

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G. Groundfish Management (continued)

G.5 Fishery Management Plan Amendment 22 – Open Access License Limitation
   a. Agenda Item Overview LB Boydstun
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Preferred Alternative for Implementation

G.6 National Marine Fisheries Service Report
   a. Regulatory Activities Frank Lockhart
   b. Fisheries Science Center Activities Elizabeth Clarke
   c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   d. Public Comment
   e. Council Discussion

H. Habitat

H.1 Current Habitat Issues
   a. Agenda Item Overview Jennifer Gilden
   b. Report of the Habitat Committee Stuart Ellis
   c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   d. Public Comment
   e. **Council Action:** Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations

D. Salmon Management (continued)

D.7 Adoption of 2009 Management Options for Public Review
   a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
   b. Report of the STT Robert Kope
   c. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   d. Public Comment
   e. **Council Action:** Adopt Management Options for Public Review

D.8 Salmon Hearings Officers
   a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
   b. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers Don Hansen

FRIDAY, MARCH 13, 2009

General Session
   *Evergreen Ballroom*

8:00 am

A. Call to Order (reconvene) Don Hansen
   A.9 Commencing Remarks Don McIsaac
G. Groundfish Management (continued)

G.7 Final Consideration of Inseason Adjustments (if Needed)
   a. Agenda Item Overview
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. **Council Action:** Adopt or Confirm Final Adjustments to 2009 Groundfish Fisheries

G.8 Essential Fish Habitat Review Committee (EFHRC) Terms of Reference
   a. Agenda Item Overview
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Terms of Reference

I. Administrative Matters

I.1 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
   a. Agenda Item Overview
   b. Reports and Comments of Agencies and Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. **Council Action:** Consider Changes to Council Operating Procedures and Appoint New Advisory Body Members as Needed

I.2 Approval of Council Meeting Minutes
   a. Council Member Review and Comments
   b. **Council Action:** Approve March and September 2008 Council Meeting Minutes

I.3 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
   a. Agenda Item Overview
   b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
   c. Public Comment
   d. **Council Action:** Adopt April 2009 Agenda and Provide Guidance on Future Council Meetings and Priorities for Advisory Body Consideration

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**NOTE REGARDING ANCILLARY MEETINGS:**

Refer to the attached Schedule of Ancillary Meetings for a complete listing of various technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions scheduled throughout the week.
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