

# March 2016 Council Meeting (Links are to audio files; Windows Media Player-MP3)

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0:00:30	09:57	A. Call to Order
0:00:32	09:57	A.1 Opening Remarks , Chair
0:04:41	10:01	A.2 Roll Call
0:04:46	10:01	A.3 Executive Director's Report
0:29:38	10:26	A.4 Agenda
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0:30:35	10:27	B. Open Comment Period
0:30:38	10:27	B.1 Comments on Non-Agenda Items
0:30:43	10:27	B.1.b Public Comment
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0:43:36	10:40	C. Habitat
0:43:37	10:40	C.1 Current Habitat Issues
0:45:03	10:42	C.1.a Report of the Habitat Committee
1:02:05	10:59	C.1.b Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
1:03:40	11:00	C.1.d Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations
1:20:51	11:17	D. Ecosystem Management
1:20:53	11:18	D.1 California Current Ecosystem Report Including Integrated Ecosystem Assessment
1:24:31	11:21	D.1.a Report of the IEA Team
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0:00:12	01:06	Assessment
0:01:13	01:07	D.1.b Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies (SSC only)
0:09:15	01:16	D.1.a Questions of the IEA Team
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0:27:02	01:33	D.1.d Council Action: Consider the California Current Ecosystem Report
0:36:16	01:47	D.2 Update on Coordinated Ecosystem Indicator Review Initiative
0:42:21	01:53	D.2.a Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
0:55:58	02:07	D.2.b Public Comment

1:02:45 02:13 D.2.c Council Action: Consider Issues Relevant to the Coordinated Ecosystem Indicator Review Initiative and Provide Guidance on Future Process and Schedule

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0:02:07 08:08 Abundance Forecasts  
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0:58:46 09:05 E.2.c Council Action: Review and Discuss Relevant Fishery Information, Act on Relevant Conservation Objectives or Status Determinations, and Adopt 2016 Abundance Forecasts and Annual Catch Limits as Necessary  
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0:10:12 09:55 E.4 Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2016  
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 Commercial Jig Gear for 2017-2018  
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 2017-2018 Groundfish Fisheries OVERVIEW  
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 2017-2018 Groundfish Fisheries ,  
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Meeting  
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Entities  
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Final Recommendations for Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries  
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Entities  
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to April 2016 Retention Limits in the Salmon Troll Fishery, as Necessary; Adopt Public  
Review Options for 2016 and April 2017 Salmon Troll Fishery; Adopt Final Retention Limits  
for 2016 Fixed Gear Sablefish Fishery  
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Entities  
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Incidental Landing Regulations  
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Fishery in Oregon  
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Entities



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