



Pacific Fishery Management Council

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: March 30, 2016

TO: Groundfish Electronic Monitoring Policy Advisory Committee (GEMPAC) and Technical Advisory Committee (GEMTAC) and Interested Persons

FROM: Brett Wiedoff, Staff Officer

SUBJECT: April 2016 Council Meeting Materials

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will meet April 8-14, 2016 at the Hilton Vancouver Hotel, 301 West Sixth Street, Vancouver, Washington, 98660. The Groundfish Electronic Monitoring Policy Advisory Committee and Technical Advisory Committee will conduct a one-day meeting starting at 8 a.m. on Friday, April 8 in the Oak Room.

Under Groundfish Agenda Item F.4 on Monday April, 11, the Council is scheduled to “Adopt Fixed Gear Electronic Monitoring Alternative, and Deem Whiting and Fixed Gear Electronic Monitoring Regulations.”

The Committees are scheduled to review and discuss a final preferred alternative for the fixed gear fishery, and review the NMFS draft electronic monitoring regulations for the midwater trawl whiting and fixed gear fisheries. The GEMTAC will consult with the GEMPAC as needed. The GEMPAC will provide recommendations regarding action items to the Council as appropriate.

This mailing includes the enclosures listed below. Please review these briefing materials in advance to facilitate an efficient meeting week. As always, all briefing materials are also available on the web at <http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-meeting/>.

Thank you for your commitment to the Council process and management of Pacific groundfish fisheries.

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Enclosures include:

1. GEMPAC_TAC Agenda
2. Agenda Item A.4 – Council Meeting Agenda
3. Agenda Item F.4: Final Action to Adopt Fixed Gear Electronic Monitoring Alternative and Deem Whiting and Fixed gear Electronic Monitoring Regulations
4. Hotel-related Information
5. Council Roster

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