

Pacific Fishery Management Council

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: November 2, 2016

- TO:Salmon Advisory Subpanel, Salmon Technical Team, Model Evaluation Workgroup,
Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup, and Interested Persons
- FROM: Mike Burner, Deputy Director
- SUBJECT: November 2016 Council Meeting

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will meet November 13-21, 2016 at the Hyatt Regency Orange County in Garden Grove, California. The Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS) will meet November 15-16, 2016. The Salmon Technical Team, the Model Evaluation Workgroup, the Sacramento River Winter Chinook Workgroup not be meeting in November.

Salmon items scheduled for the November Council meeting include a report from the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), final Council recommendations on the preseason salmon management schedule for 2017, an information update on the revised Chinook Fishery Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM), and the conclusion of this year's salmon methodology review. Regarding the latter, the Council approved one topic, a forecasting method for Sacramento River winter Chinook. The Salmon Subcommittee of the Scientific and Statistical Committee and the Salmon Technical Team met in Portland on October 18 to review the new forecasting tool. The results of the methodology review will be presented for final consideration in Garden Grove.

Additional topics include, but are not limited to, the adoption of final Pacific Halibut Catch Share Plan changes and regulations for 2017 (Agenda Item E.1) and the review of a proposed Groundfish exempted fishing permit regarding trawl gear modification that has potential salmon bycatch implication (Agenda Item F.5). There is also an information item (Agenda Item C.2) regarding NMFS revisions to the National Standard Guidelines and the Council will take up the usual administrative matters including future workload and agenda planning.

Lastly, the Council will host its Annual Banquet the evening of Wednesday, November 16. This year's honorees include Don McIsaac, Bob Turner, Dave Ortmann, Dan Wolford, Sam Herrick, Pete Lawson, Doug Milward and Sandy Zeiner. If you would like to attend the banquet, please RSVP by November 9th by <u>clicking here</u> or visiting the Council web page at www.pcouncil.org.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact me. Thank you for your assistance.

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Enclosures:

- 1. Agenda Item A.4 Council Agenda
- 2. Agenda Items C.2 and C.6 Administrative Matters
- 3. Agenda Items D.1, D.2, D.3, and D.4 Salmon Management
- 4. Agenda Item E.1– Pacific Halibut Management
- 5. Agenda Items F.5 Groundfish Management
- 6. Agenda Item H.1 Habitat Issues
- 7. Groundfish Advisory Subpanel Agenda
- 8. Habitat Committee Agenda
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