NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Northwest and Southwest Fisheries Science Centers (NWFSC/SWFSC) and West Coast Region will briefly report on recent developments relevant to salmon fisheries and issues of interest to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council).

Potential topics include an update on a NMFS review of the distribution of Mitchell Act hatchery funds and the changes proposed as a result of the review. A detailed letter was received on December 21, 2016 from NMFS to the Council regarding the proposed changes (Agenda Item E.1, Attachment 1).

Council Task:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item E.1, Attachment 1: December 21, 2016 letter from Barry Thom, NMFS Regional Administrator, to Herb Pollard, Council Chair, regarding the proposed changes to the Mitchell Act program.

Agenda Order:

- E.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report
 - a. Regulatory Activities
 - b. Fisheries Science Center Activities
 - c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion

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