

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

Ms. Heidi Taylor will provide an update on recent regulatory activities related to the Council's Fishery Management Plan for West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species (see Agenda Item J.1.a, NMFS Report 1 and Agenda Item J.1.a, NMFS Report 2).

Dr. Gerard DiNardo will update the Council on Southwest Fisheries Science Center activities. Dr. James Carretta will report on a new statistical technique that has been used to estimate marine mammal and sea turtle bycatch in the California large mesh drift gillnet fishery (Agenda Item J.1.b, SWFSC Report).

Council Task:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item J.1.a, National Marine Fisheries Service Report 1: Highly Migratory Species Activities.
2. Agenda Item J.1.a, National Marine Fisheries Service Report 2: Regulations to Implement Import Restrictions under the Marine Mammal Protection Act (*Electronic Only*).
3. Agenda Item J.1.b, Southwest Fisheries Science Center Report: Regression Tree And Ratio Estimates Of Marine Mammal, Sea Turtle, And Seabird Bycatch In The California Drift Gillnet Fishery: 1990-2015 (*Electronic Only*).

Agenda Order:

J.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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