

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. The attached National Marine Fisheries Service Report (NMFS Report 1) summarizes a proposed rule implementing restrictions on fishing for sharks in the Eastern Pacific Ocean, NMFS' 12-month finding on a petition to list Pacific bluefin tuna under the Endangered Species Act, and a recent Pacific Offshore Cetacean Take Reduction Team (POCTRT) meeting. NMFS Report 2 (available for download from the Council briefing book webpage) contains presentation slides given during the POCTRT meeting.

Dr. Gerard DiNardo will update the Council on Southwest Fisheries Science Center activities.

Council Action:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item J.1.a, NMFS Report 1: Report on Highly Migratory Species Regulatory Matters.
2. Agenda Item J.1.a, NMFS Report 2: NMFS West Coast Region Updates Provided for the June 15, 2017, Pacific Offshore Take Reduction Team Webinar (**Electronic only**).
3. Agenda Item J.1.a, NMFS Report 3: Letter from Assistant Administrator Chris Oliver to Executive Director Chuck Tracy Responding to Council Recommendations for the Western and Central North Pacific Ocean Stock of Striped Marlin

Agenda Order:

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