

September 2017 Council Meeting (Links are to audio files; Windows Media Player-MP3)

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0:00:01	09:32	241st Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
0:00:02	09:32	A. Call to Order
0:00:03	09:32	A.1 Opening Remarks Phil Anderson, Chair
0:06:20	09:38	A.2 Council Member Appointments
0:08:08	09:40	A.3 Roll Call
0:09:23	09:41	A.4 Executive Director's Report
0:16:31	09:48	A.5 Agenda
0:17:16	09:49	A.5a Council Action: Approve Agenda
0:17:19	09:49	B. Open Comment Period
0:40:08	10:12	C. Coastal Pelagic Species Management
0:40:40	10:12	C.1 Acoustic Trawl Survey Methodology Review Terms of Reference
0:43:52	10:15	C.1.a Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
1:12:53	10:44	C.1.b Public Comment
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0:00:16	11:12	C.1 Acoustic Trawl Survey Methodology Review Terms of Reference
0:00:25	11:12	C.1.c Council Action: Approve Terms of Reference for the 2018 Acoustic Trawl Survey Methodology Review
0:02:46	11:14	MOTION
0:15:49	11:27	D. Habitat
0:15:50	11:27	D.1 Current Habitat Issues
0:18:59	11:30	D.1.a Report of the Habitat Committee
0:27:23	11:39	D.1.b Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
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0:34:54	11:46	D.1.d Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Report and Recommendations
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 Management Entities
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 Management Entities
 1:21:53 02:37 F.1.c Council Action: Identify Priority Projects for Review in 2017
 1:24:48 02:40 F.2 Sacramento River Winter Chinook Control Rule, Preliminary
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 Management Entities
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 Rule Alternatives and Future Analyses
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 Changes
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 0:01:40 08:07 G.1.d Council Action: Adopt for Public Review Proposed
 Changes for the 2018 and Beyond Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan and Annual
 Fishing Regulations
 0:03:00 08:08 MOTION 2 motions (Michele Culver & Maggie Sommer)
 0:38:09 08:43 E. Groundfish Management (continued)
 0:38:14 08:44 E.2 Off-Year Science Improvements
 0:42:55 08:48 E.2.a Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and
 Management Entities

1:15:56 09:21 E.2.c Council Action: Adopt a Plan for Improvements in
Groundfish Management Science
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Changes for the 2018 and Beyond Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan and Annual
Fishing Regulations
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Management Entities
0:35:39 10:35 E.3.c Council Action: Identify Priority Stock Assessment
Methodology Review Topics for 2018
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Permit (EFP) Final Action and Gear Modification EFP Review
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Permit (EFP) Final Action and Gear Modification EFP Review
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Modification EFPs and Adopt Final 2018 Coastwide Non-whiting Midwater Trawl and
Gear Modification EFPs, as Appropriate
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Scoping
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Management Entities
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and Carryover Provisions, and Provide Guidance on Future Analyses and
Considerations
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1:30:15 05:00 E.6.c Council Action: Adopt Preliminary Pacific Halibut Discard Mortality Rates and a Third-Party Video Review Policy for Public Review
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1:56:49 05:27 H. Administrative Matters
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0:07:01 01:25 I.1.a California Current Ecosystem Climate Vulnerability Assessment Report Michelle McClure
0:07:04 01:25 I.1.a
0:33:23 01:51 I.1.b Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
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Management Entities
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Management Entities
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for Further Development
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Actions
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Recommendations, Including Research and Data Needs, Adopt a Range of Alternatives
for Follow-On Actions, and Approve FMP Language on Set-Aside Management
MOTION (Maggie Sommer-discussion)
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Modification EFPs and Adopt Final 2018 Coastwide Non-whiting Midwater Trawl and
Gear Modification EFPs, as Appropriate
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0:13:19 10:35 J.3.a Report from the International Scientific Committee for Tuna and Tuna-like Species in the North Pacific Ocean
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0:45:05 11:07 Management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna
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Provisions, 2) Observer and Logbook Data Reporting Improvements for Deep-Set Buoy (DSBG) Gear Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs), 3) Update on DSBG EFP Permitting Process and Timeline, and 4) Other Issues as Appropriate

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0:21:30 04:34 J.4.a Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
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0:13:37 11:43 J.5.c Council Action: Provide Recommendations to National Marine Fisheries Service on Exempted Fishing Permit Applications to Test Deep-Set Buoy Gear

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Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

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