

MARINE PLANNING UPDATE

The National Ocean Council was established by Executive Order 13547 in July 2010, and identifies marine planning as one of its nine priority objectives. Marine planning is a strategy designed as a comprehensive, adaptive, integrated, ecosystem-based, and transparent planning process based on sound science for analyzing current and anticipated uses of ocean and coastal areas.

As part of this initiative, the West Coast Regional Planning Body (RPB) was established, with its charter finalized in 2016. The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) is a member, in addition to Federal, state, and federally-recognized Tribal government representatives. Dr. Caren Braby is the Council's representative to the RPB, with Ms. Michele Culver as the alternate designee. Neither was able to attend the December annual RPB meeting, so Ms. Marci Yaremko attended on behalf of the Council.

Dr. Kevin Werner, Director of the Northwest Fisheries Science Center, is the Federal marine planning co-lead for the West Coast region. Dr. Werner will provide a summary of the December RPB meeting, as well as an update on upcoming activities, subregional efforts, and other information related to the RPB and marine planning on the West Coast.

Council Action:

Council discussion.

Reference Materials:

Agenda Item C.2, Attachment 1: RPB Fact Sheet.

Agenda Order:

C.2 Marine Planning Update

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- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate

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