MEMORANDUM

DATE:      March 21, 2018

TO:        Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, Groundfish Management Team, and Groundfish Interested Persons

FROM:      Mr. Brett Wiedoff, Groundfish Staff Officer

SUBJECT:   April Council Meeting Materials

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will meet April 5-11, at the Sheraton Portland Airport Hotel, 8235 NE Airport Way, Portland, OR 97220. The Groundfish Management Team (GMT) meeting will begin at 1 p.m. on Thursday, April 5th in the Garden A Room. The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) meeting will begin at 8 a.m. on Friday, April 6th in the Mt. Adams Room.

The Council is scheduled to consider several important groundfish agenda items and related matters of interest, including:

- Matters raised during the Open Comment Period;
- Habitat;
- Reports from the West Coast Region and Northwest Fisheries Science Center;
- Biennial Harvest Specifications for 2019-2020 Fisheries Final Action;
- Amendment 28 Essential Fish Habitat and Rockfish Conservation Area Final Action;
- Legislative Matters;
- Cost Recovery Report;
- Annual U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement Report;
- Preliminary Preferred Management Measure Alternatives for 2019-2020 Fisheries;
- Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments for 2018;
- Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures; and
- Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning.

This mailing includes the enclosures listed below. Please review these briefing materials in advance to facilitate an efficient meeting week. As always, all briefing materials are also available on the web at http://www.p council.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-meeting/.

Thank you for your commitment to the Council process and management of Pacific groundfish fisheries.
Enclosures include:

1. Agenda Item A.4 – Council Meeting Agenda
2. Agenda Item B.1 – Open Comment Period
3. Agenda Item H.1 – Legislative Matters
4. Agenda Item D.1 – Habitat
5. Agenda Item F – Groundfish Management
6. Agenda Item H.2 – Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
7. Agenda Item H.3 – Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
8. Agenda Item I.1 – Enforcement
9. Informational Reports 2, 3, and 4
10. Enforcement Consultants Agenda
11. GAP Agenda
12. GMT Agenda
13. Scientific Statistical Committee Agenda and Draft Minutes
14. Hotel-related Information
15. Council Roster

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