



Pacific Fishery Management Council

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MEMORANDUM

DATE: May 18, 2018
TO: Scientific and Statistical Committee
FROM: John DeVore
SUBJECT: June 2018 Council Meeting Materials

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will meet June 7-13, 2018 at the Doubletree by Hilton Spokane City Center, 322 N. Spokane Falls Ct., Spokane, WA. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will meet for a single day, Thursday, June 7, starting at 8 a.m. in the Salon III Room. Your meeting materials are enclosed.

Council Administrative Matters

The Council and SSC will receive a briefing from Dr. Richard Methot on the latest draft of a white paper regarding the Best Scientific Information Available (BSIA). The SSC will provide their comments to the Council on the draft BSIA white paper.

The Council is scheduled to adopt a public review draft of the 2018 Research and Data Needs document (final adoption is scheduled for September). The SSC will recommend research and data needs priorities and provide comments on the draft document.

The SSC may review the credentials for nominees to any Management or Technical Teams.

The SSC will review their potential workload in the next year and may recommend to the Council which tasks are prioritized. The SSC will inform the Council of their intended plans and schedule for conducting methodology reviews later this year.

Groundfish Management

The Council is scheduled to take final action on 2019 groundfish stock assessment priorities, three Terms of Reference (those guiding the groundfish and coastal pelagic species [CPS] stock assessment review process, development of groundfish rebuilding analyses, and how groundfish and CPS methodology reviews are conducted), adopt a schedule of 2019 stock assessment review panels, and refine their 2021 stock assessment priorities. The SSC will recommend their priorities for groundfish stock assessments, as well as changes to the three Terms of Reference (TOR).

Thank you all for your dedication to West Coast fishery management and the Council process. See you soon.

JDD:rdd

Enclosures include:

Council and SSC Administrative Matters

1. Agenda Item A.4 – Council Meeting Agenda
2. Agenda Item C.3 – National Marine Fisheries Service White Paper on Best Scientific Information Available (BSIA)
3. Agenda Item C.4 – Research and Data Needs Document – Public Review Draft
4. Agenda Item C.10 – Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
5. Agenda Item C.11 – Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

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6. Agenda Item E.3 – Final Stock Assessment Plans and Terms of Reference For Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species

SSC Agenda, Draft SSC Minutes, Closed Session, Etc.

7. June 2018 SSC Agenda
8. Draft April 2018 SSC Minutes
9. Administrative Closed Session
10. Informational Reports
11. Hotel-Related Information
12. Roster

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