



246th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council September 5-12, 2018

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Wed.-Thurs. Sept. 5&6	Friday Sept. 7	Saturday Sept. 8	Sunday Sept. 9	Monday Sept. 10	Tuesday Sept. 11	Wednesday Sept. 12
A listing of times and locations for Advisory Body meetings begins on page 9.	Closed Session	Ecosystem	Highly Migratory Species	Groundfish	Administrative	Administrative
	Call to Order					
	Open Comment					
	Coastal Pelagic Species	Administrative	Highly Migratory Species	Groundfish	Groundfish	
	Habitat					
	Salmon	Highly Migratory Species	Groundfish	Pacific Halibut	Groundfish	
	Administrative					

Schedule of Ancillary Meetings begins on page 9

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings beginning on page 9 for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions scheduled throughout the week of September 5-12, 2018.

Proposed Detailed Agenda begins on next page

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda. However, please note that the timing—including the day—of the agenda items may change based on the time required for prior agenda items, and the order may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Council Action descriptions to adopt imply consideration to adopt; adoption is not mandatory.



246th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
September 7-12, 2018

Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Friday, September 7, 2018

General Council Session
Grand 1/2 Ballroom

8:00 a.m. Closed Executive Session

This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

10:00 a.m.

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Phil Anderson, Chair |
| A.2 | Council Member Appointments | Barry Thom |
| A.3 | Roll Call | Chuck Tracy |
| A.4 | Executive Director's Report | Chuck Tracy |
| A.5 | Agenda | Phil Anderson |
| a. | Council Action: Approve Agenda | |

B. Open Comment Period

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| B.1 | Comments on Non-Agenda Items | Mike Burner |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate | |

C. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

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| C.1 | Amendment 17: Live Bait Fishery Allowance | Kerry Griffin |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Action: Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Consider Adoption of a Preliminary Preferred Alternative | |

D. Habitat

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| D.1 | Current Habitat Issues | Jennifer Gilden |
| a. | Report of the Habitat Committee | Eric Wilkins |
| b. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| c. | Public Comment | |
| d. | Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Report and Recommendations | |

Friday, September 7, 2018 – continued

E. Salmon Management

- E.1 Salmon Methodology Review – Final Topic Selection Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Identify Priority Projects for Review in 2018
- E.2 Update on Salmon Rebuilding Plans Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate

F. Administrative Matters

- F.1 Research and Data Needs Document – Final Adoption John DeVore
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Research and Data Needs Document

Saturday, September 8, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Grand 1/2 Ballroom

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

- Phil Anderson
- A.6 Commencing Remarks Chuck Tracy

G. Ecosystem Management

- G.1 West Coast Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management Roadmap Implementation Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate
- G.2 Fishery Ecosystem Plan Five-Year Review – Scoping Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on the Scope and Schedule of a Potential Five-Year Review of the Fishery Ecosystem Plan
- G.3 Climate and Communities Initiative Update Kit Dahl
- a. Report from The Nature Conservancy Workshop Gway Kirchner
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Review the Results of the Workshop and Provide Guidance on Next Steps for the Initiative

Saturday, September 8, 2018 - continued

F. Administrative Matters (*Continued*)

- F.2 Legislative Matters Jennifer Gilden
a. Report of the Legislative Committee Dave Hanson
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Consider Legislative Committee Report and Recommendations

H. Highly Migratory Species Management

- H.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Kit Dahl
a. Regulatory Activities Heidi Taylor
b. Fisheries Science Center Activities
c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
d. Public Comment
e. Council Discussion
- H.2 Final Recommendations on Non-Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) Kit Dahl
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations on Non-Deep-Set Buoy Gear EFPs

Sunday, September 9, 2018

8:00 a.m. *Grand 1/2 Ballroom*

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

- A.7 Commencing Remarks Phil Anderson
Chuck Tracy

H. Highly Migratory Species Management (*continued*)

- H.3 Recommend International Management Activities Kit Dahl
a. Report from the Joint Session of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Northern Committee and the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission Working Group on the Management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna, and Report from the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Northern Committee Meeting Dorothy Lowman
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions at Upcoming Meetings of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission and Other Forums as Appropriate

Sunday, September 9, 2018 - continued

H. Highly Migratory Species Management *(continued)*

- H.4 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Revised Estimates of Reference Point Values, Annual Catch Limits, or Other Harvest Objectives and/or Management Measures
- H.5 Drift Gillnet Performance Metrics Methodology Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Recommendations on Methods for Estimating Bycatch Relative to Performance Metrics in the Drift Gillnet Fishery
- H.6 Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan Brett Wiedoff
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Revised Preliminary Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan for Public Review

I. Groundfish Management

- I.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Todd Phillips
- a. Regulatory Activities Aja Szumylo
 - b. Fisheries Science Center Activities Michelle McClure
 - c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion
- I.2 Amendment 28 – Essential Fish Habitat and Rockfish Conservation Area – Implementation Update Kerry Griffin
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review Implementation Progress, Adopt Preliminary Fishery Management Plan Amendatory Language for Public Review, and Provide Guidance as Necessary

Monday, September 10, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Grand 1/2 Ballroom

A. Call to Order *(reconvene)*

Phil Anderson

- A.8 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

I. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- I.3 Endangered Species Act Consultation on Eulachon Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review Draft Incidental Take Statement for Eulachon and Provide Recommendations as Appropriate

Monday, September 10, 2018

I. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- I.4 Stock Assessment Terms of Reference – Final Action John DeVore
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Terms of Reference for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species Stock Assessments
- I.5 Methodology Review – Preliminary Topic Selection John DeVore
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Topics for Review in 2019
- I.6 Science Improvement Report John DeVore
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Review and Approve Science Improvements for Use in Management
- I.7 Five-Year Catch Share Follow-On Action – Preliminary Action Jim Seger
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Preferred Alternatives for the Five-Year Catch Share Program Follow-On Actions and Provide Further Guidance as Necessary

J. Pacific Halibut Management

- J.1 2019 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulations Robin Ehlke
a. Report of the International Pacific Halibut Commission Steve Keith
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Adopt for Public Review Proposed 2019 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulation Changes

Tuesday, September 11, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Grand 1/2 Ballroom

A. Call to Order *(reconvene)*

Phil Anderson

- A.9 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

F. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- F.3 Electronic Monitoring Program Review and Cost Allocation Procedural Directive Brett Wiedoff
a. National Marine Fisheries Service Presentation Brett Alger
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Review the Status of the Electronic Monitoring Program, Provide Guidance on Priority Issues, and Adopt Final Recommendations on the Cost Allocation Procedural Directive

Tuesday, September 11, 2018 - continued

I. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- I.8 Continuing Midwater Trawl and Gear EFP and Salmon Bycatch Provisions in New EFPs Jim Seger
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations on Continuing the Midwater Trawl and Gear EFP and on Salmon Bycatch Provisions in New EFPs
- I.9 Omnibus Workload Planning Process Jim Seger
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Discuss Omnibus Planning Process, Assess Existing Groundfish Workload, and Provide Guidance on Next Steps
- I.10 Inseason Adjustments—Final Action Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments for 2018 as Necessary to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives

Wednesday, September 12, 2018

8:00 a.m.

Grand 1/2 Ballroom

A. Call to Order *(reconvene)*

Phil Anderson

- A.10 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

F. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- F.4 Fiscal Matters Patricia Crouse
- a. Report of the Budget Committee Pete Hassemmer
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Consider Budget Committee Report and Recommendation
- F.5 Approval of Council Meeting Record Phil Anderson
- a. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Record
- F.6 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures Mike Burner
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

F. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- F.7 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning Chuck Tracy
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

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246th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Cascade Rooms are on the second level, above the Grand Ballroom.

Day 1—Wednesday, September 5, 2018

	Time	Location
Scientific and Statistical Committee Ecosystem Subcommittee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 11

Day 2—Thursday, September 6, 2018

	Time	Location
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 12
Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Ecosystem Workgroup	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Habitat Committee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Legislative Committee	10:00 a.m.	Cascade 3/4
Council Secretariat	11:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
Budget Committee	1:00 p.m.	Cascade 3/4

Day 3—Friday, September 7, 2018

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Ecosystem Workgroup	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 12
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Enforcement Consultants	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3/4
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Chair's Reception	6:00 p.m.	Maxi's (14th Floor)

Day 4—Saturday, September 8, 2018

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 12
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Cascade 3/4

Day 5—Sunday, September 9, 2018

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Cascade 3/4

Day 6—Monday, September 10, 2018

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Cascade 3/4

Day 7—Tuesday, September 11, 2018

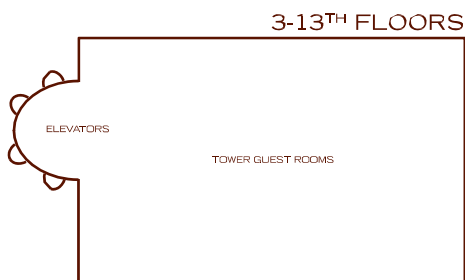
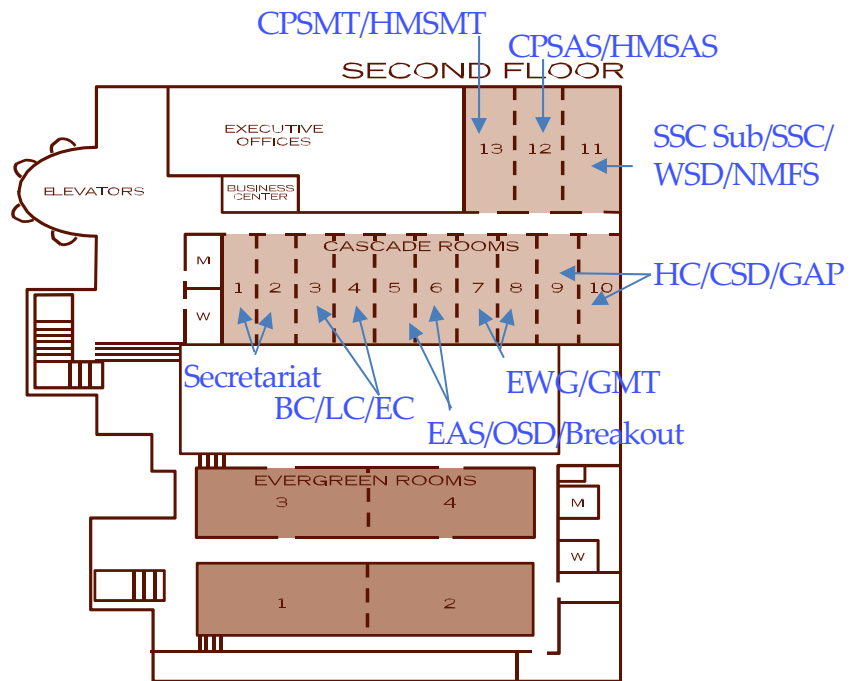
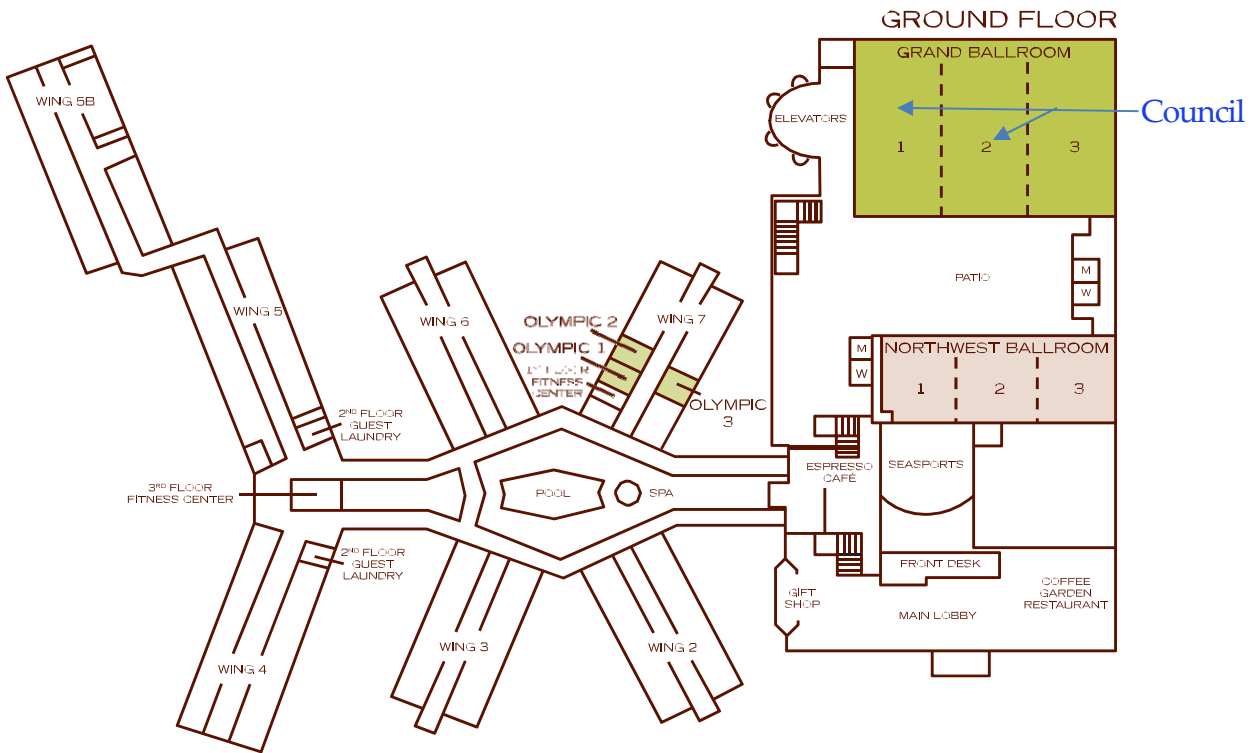
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Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 7/8
Enforcement Consultants	As necessary	Cascade 3/4

Day 8—Wednesday, September 12, 2018

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1/2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 9/10
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 5/6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 11

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PROPOSED PACIFIC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA, SEPTEMBER 6-12, 2018 IN SEATTLE, WASHINGTON 8/17/2018 9:47 AM

Acronyms	Fri, Sept. 7	Sat, Sept. 8	Sun, Sept. 9	Mon, Sept. 10	Tue, Sept. 11	Wed, Sept. 12
<i>BC: Budget Committee</i> <i>COP: Council Operating Procedures</i> <i>CPSAS/MT: Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel/ Mgmt Team</i> <i>DSBG: Deep-Set Buoy Gear EAS/EWG Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel/ Workgroup</i> <i>EBFM: Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management</i> <i>EC: Enforcement Consultants</i> <i>ED: Executive Director</i> <i>EFH/RCA: Essential Fish Habitat/Rockfish Conservation Area</i> <i>EFP: Exempted Fishing Permit</i> <i>FPA: Final Preferred Alternative</i> <i>GAP/GMT: Groundfish Advisory Subpanel /Mgmt Team</i> <i>HC: Habitat Committee</i> <i>HMS: Highly Migratory Species</i> <i>HMSAS/MT: HMS Advisory Subpanel/ Mgmt Team</i> <i>LC: Legislative Committee</i> <i>NMFS: National Marine Fisheries Service</i> <i>PPA: Preliminary Preferred Alternative</i> <i>R&D: Research and Data</i> <i>ROA: Range of Alternatives</i> <i>SDC: Status Determination Criteria</i> <i>SSC: Scientific and Statistical Committee</i>	<p align="center">CLOSED SESSION 8 AM</p> <p>Discuss Litigation & Personnel Matters (2 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">A. CALL TO ORDER 10 AM</p> <p>1-5. Opening Remarks, Roll Call, ED Report, Approve Agenda (30 min)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">B. OPEN COMMENT</p> <p>1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items (30 min)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">C. COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES</p> <p>1. Amendment 17: Live Bait Fishery Allowance – ROA/PPA (2 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">D. HABITAT</p> <p>1. Habitat Issues (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">E. SALMON</p> <p>1. Methodology Review – Final Topic Selection (30 min)</p> <p>2. Update on Rebuilding Plans (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">F. ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p>1. R&D Needs Document – Final Adoption (30 min)</p>	<p align="center">G. ECOSYSTEM</p> <p>1. West Coast EBFM Roadmap Implementation Plan (1 hr)</p> <p>2. Fishery Ecosystem Plan 5-Year Review – Scoping (2 hr)</p> <p>3. Climate and Communities Initiative Update (2 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">F. ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p>2. Legislative Matters (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">H. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES</p> <p>1. NMFS Report (1 hr)</p> <p>2. Final Recommendations on Non-DSBG EFPs (1 hr)</p>	<p align="center">H. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES</p> <p>3. Recommend International Mgt. Activities (2 hr)</p> <p>4. Biennial Management Measures: SDCs and Reference Points (1hr 30 min)</p> <p>5. Drift Gillnet Performance Metrics Methodology (1 hr)</p> <p>6. Swordfish Monitoring and Management Plan (1 hr 30 min)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">I. GROUND FISH</p> <p>1. NMFS Report (1 hr)</p> <p>2. Amendment 28 – EFH/RCA Review (1 hr)</p>	<p align="center">I. GROUND FISH</p> <p>3. Endangered Species Act Consultation on Eulachon (1 hr)</p> <p>4. Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species Stock Assessment Terms of Reference (30 min)</p> <p>5. Methodology Review – Prelim. Topic Selection (1 hr)</p> <p>6. Science Improvement Report (30 min)</p> <p>7. 5-Year Catch Share Follow On Actions – PPA (4 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">J. PACIFIC HALIBUT</p> <p>1. 2A Catch Sharing Plan Preliminary Changes (1 hr)</p>	<p align="center">F. ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p>3. Electronic Monitoring Program Update and Cost Allocation Procedural Directive Comment (2 hr)</p> <hr/> <p align="center">I. GROUND FISH</p> <p>8. Continuing Midwater Trawl & Gear EFP and Salmon Bycatch Provisions in New EFPs – Final Recommendations (2 hr)</p> <p>9. Omnibus Workload Planning Process Discussion(2 hr)</p> <p>10. Final Inseason Management (2 hr)</p>	<p align="center">F. ADMINISTRATIVE</p> <p>4. Fiscal Matters (30 min)</p> <p>5. Approve Council Meeting Record (15 min)</p> <p>6. Membership Appointments & COPs (1 hr)</p> <p>7. Future Council Meeting Agenda & Workload Planning (2 hr)</p> <div style="border: 2px solid black; padding: 5px; margin-top: 10px;"> <p align="center">Time estimates are approximate; not reliable for planning attendance or participation. Agenda Items may be cancelled or rescheduled under agenda approval at the meeting's onset and adjustments are possible as the meeting progresses.</p> </div>
Wed, Sept. 5						
8 am SSC Ecosystem Subcommittee						
Thu, Sept. 6	8 hr	8 hr	8 hr	8 hr	8 hr	3.75 hr
11 am Secretariat 8 am SSC 8 am CPSAS & CPSMT 8 am HC 8 am EAS & EWG 10 am LC 1 pm BC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am SSC 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am EAS & EWG 8 am EC 6 pm Chair's Reception	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat