MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

During this agenda item, the Council has the opportunity to consider Administrative appointment issues with regard to the Council Membership Roster, including Council Members, advisory body membership, and also any relevant changes in Council Operating Procedures (COP) or the Council’s Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures (SOPP).

Council Members and Designees

The Secretary of Commerce reappointed one of the five Council members whose terms expired on August 10, 2018 to a new three-year appointments; Council Chairman Phil Anderson. The appointments for Mr. Buzz Brizendine, Mr. David Crabbe, and Ms. Dorothy Lowman reached the limit of three consecutive terms and were replaced by Mr. Louis Zimm, Mr. Robert Dooley, and Ms. Christa Svensson, respectively (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 1). Mr. Joe Oatman’s first three-year term as the Tribal Appointment also expired on August 10, 2018 and an announcement regarding this seat is anticipated at a later date.

Mr. Kelly Susewind, Director of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW), submitted a letter confirming Ms. Michele Culver as WDFW’s primary designee, Mr. Corey Niles and Mr. Kyle Adicks as additional designees, as well as WDFW’s representatives to various Council advisory bodies (Agenda Item F.6.a, WDFW Report 1).

Standing Council Member Committee Appointments

The departure of Ms. Lowman left vacancies on the Budget Committee and the Legislative Committee and the departure of Mr. David Crabbe also left a vacancy on the Legislative Committee. Chairman Anderson has appointed Mr. Marc Gorelnik and Ms. Christa Svensson to the Legislative Committee and Mr. Brad Pettinger to the Budget Committee.

Appointments to Other Forums

The departures of Ms. Lowman, Mr. Brizendine and Mr. Crabbe have left several appointments to other forums vacant. Ms. Lowman served as the Council’s representative to the Council Coordinating Committee’s (CCCs) Video and Electronic Monitoring Subcommittee and will serve as the representative to the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission through the end of 2018. Mr. David Crabbe served as the representative to the CCC’s Legislative Subcommittee and the Pacific Offshore Cetacean Take Reduction Team. Mr. Gorelnik has been appointed to the CCC’s Legislative Subcommittee. Mr. Brizendine served as the representative to the U.S. – Canada Albacore Treaty Forum.

Current Council Advisory Body Appointments

Salmon Technical Team (STT) and the Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) West Coast Region nominated Mr. Jon Carey to replace Mr. Larrie LaVoy on both the STT and the MEW in a letter dated June 5, 2018 (Closed
The submission of this nomination was too late for review by the Scientific and Statistical Committee at the June Council meeting, but, anticipating the considerable work anticipated over the summer on salmon rebuilding plans, the Council appointed Mr. Carey to the STT on an interim basis. The SSC and the Council are scheduled to review these nominations at the September Council meeting.

**Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT)**

The NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center (SWFSC) has nominated Dr. James Hilger to replace Dr. Emmanis Dorval on the CPSMT in a letter dated June 25, 2018 (Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 3). The SSC and the Council are scheduled to review this nomination at the September Council meeting.

**Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS)**

Mr. August Felando has resigned his Purse Seine seat on the HMSAS. At its June 2018 meeting, the Council requested that Chairman Anderson work with the California contingent to appoint an interim representative before the September Council meeting for the remainder of the current three-year term which ends December 31, 2018. Chairman Anderson has appointed Mr. Anthony Vuoso on an interim basis to complete the current term. It is likely the Council will solicit nominations for this seat for the 2019-2021 term shortly after the September Council meeting.

**Groundfish Management Team (GMT)**

The Northwest Fisheries Science Center has informed the Council that Dr. Andi Stephens has completed a 3-year rotation and will no longer be serving on the GMT. The NWFSC does not plan to fill the seat at this time, but has committed to providing consultation on stock assessment and related issues to the GMT on an as-needed basis. (Agenda Item F.6.a, NMFS Report 1).

**Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP)**

Mr. Louis Zimm has been newly appointed to an At-Large seat on the Council and has resigned his position as the California Charter South of Point Conception representative on the GAP. Long-standing Council practice has been to not allow Council members to serve on Advisory Bodies with rare exception. The Council will likely discuss Mr. Zimm’s GAP seat and advise how to proceed for the remainder of the current term. The Council may also discuss revisions to the COPs to further clarify Council policy in these situations.

**Current Ad Hoc Committee Appointments**

**Ad Hoc Sablefish Management and Trawl Allocation Attainment Committee (SaMTAAC)**

Mr. Robert Dooley is newly appointed to the California Obligatory seat on the Council. At the time of his Council appointment, Mr. Dooley was serving as a non-voting advisory member of
the Ad hoc Sablefish Management and Trawl Allocation Attainment Committee. The Council will discuss this vacancy and the Chair may appoint a new representative for this seat.

**Changes to Council Operations and Procedures**

**Advisory Body Composition and Solicitation for 2016-2019 Term**

The three-year terms of all advisory subpanel members, eight at-large members of the Scientific and Statistical Committee, and four non-agency members and the tribal members of the Habitat Committee expire on December 31, 2018. Beginning with this meeting and finalizing at the November meeting, the Council should consider the composition of each advisory body and recommend any needed revisions to associated COPs. With Council and Federal budgets likely to be constraining in the future and state budgets already at reduced levels, consideration should be given to ensuring advisory body compositions are adequate while also being as efficient as possible.

Agenda Item F.6, Attachment 1 displays the current advisory body compositions and membership. Following this meeting, staff will solicit nominations for the 2019-2021 term, from which the Council will make appointments at the November 2018 meeting. The advisory bodies may have comments on their member composition and, if so, will report these to the Council at the September and/or November meetings.

**Council Action:**

1. Consider any changes or additions to Council Operating Procedures.
2. Consider any appointment and membership issues.

**Reference Materials:**

1. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 1: Council Member Appointments.
2. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 2: NMFS STT and MEW Nomination.
3. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 3: NMFS CPSMT Nomination.
4. Agenda Item F.6, Attachment 1: Advisory Body Composition.
5. Agenda Item F.6.a, WDFW Report 1: Letter from WDFW Director Susewind Regarding WDFW Designees and Advisory Body Representation.

**Agenda Order:**

F.6 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures

   a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
   b. Public Comment
   c. **Council Action:** Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

PFMC
08/16/18