

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON
FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

In order to prepare for the items on the March 2019 Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) agenda, the Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) requests an in-person meeting in January 2019. The HMSMT intends to discuss and prepare reports for North Pacific albacore effort, drift gillnet performance metrics, pelagic shallow-set longline scoping, and an updated analysis for the deep-set buoy gear range of alternatives.

The HMSMT understands the Ecosystem Working Group (EWG) would like to engage with individual management teams to discuss its Climate and Communities Initiative. The EWG will be meeting in Portland, OR, during the week of January 14, 2019. The HMSMT could potentially meet in Portland during that time in order to coordinate an in-person meeting.

Additionally, the HMSMT intends to schedule webinars in advance of each 2019 Council meeting with highly migratory species agenda items in order to assist in workload planning, discussion, and report drafting.

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