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# West Coast Geographic Strategic Planning

Presentation to Pacific Fishery Management Council

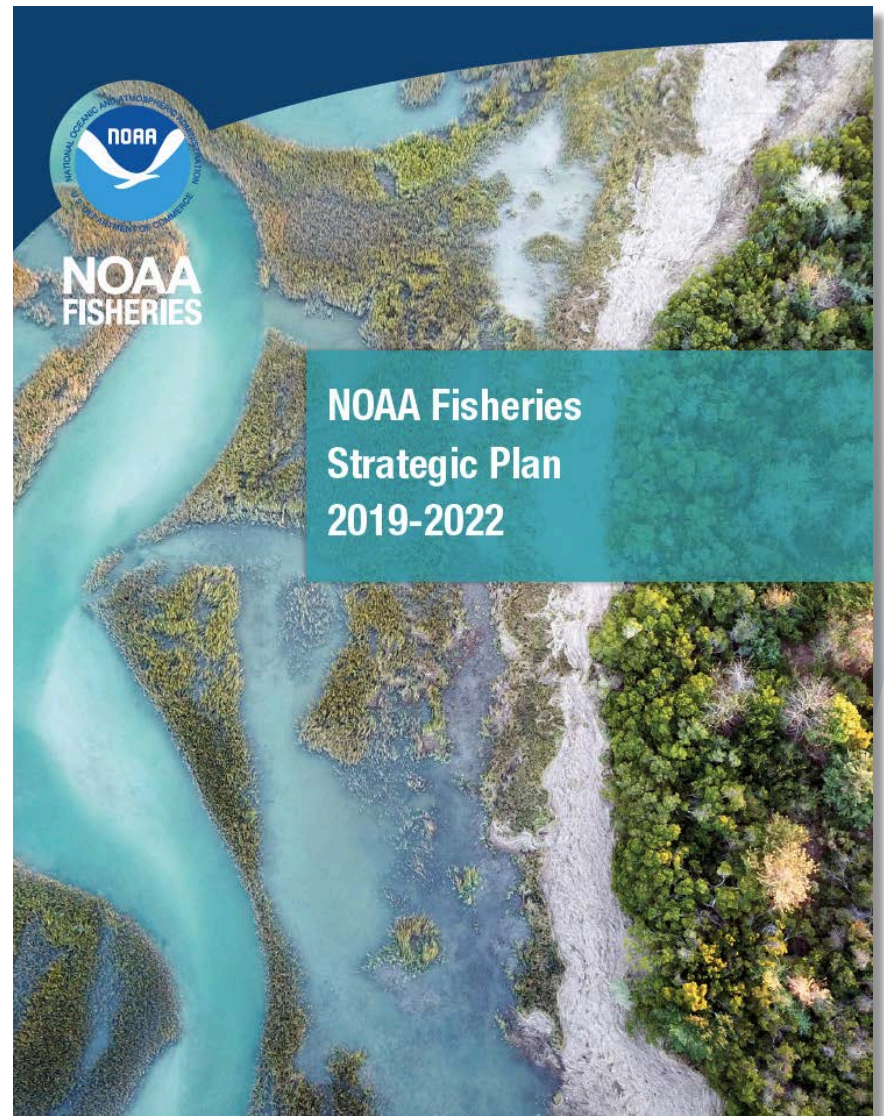
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# National Plan

NOAA Fisheries is publishing a new National Strategic Plan covering 2019-2022. The plan will be released in the next month.

The national strategic plan features strategies that are relevant to the Pacific Fisheries Management Council.

Each region is developing a regional strategic plan.



# National Strategic Plan Goals

1. Amplifying economic value while ensuring sustainability
2. Conserving and recovering protected species while encouraging resource development
3. Improving organizational excellence and regulatory efficiency

There are several strategies within each goal relevant to the Council.

For example, under Goal 1:

- managing stocks for optimum yield
- adequately assessing prioritized stocks
- maintaining information for currently assessed stocks.
- modernizing fishery information collection, management and dissemination systems



# Regional Geographic Plans

Five regional plans in development:

- West Coast
- North Pacific / Arctic
- Western Pacific
- Northeast / Mid-Atlantic
- Southeast / Caribbean

Co-led by science centers and regional offices, with input from OLE and Restoration Center.

Purpose - to identify specific regional priorities within the framework of the national plan.

WEST COAST TIMELINE	
June	NOAA Fisheries West Coast informs Council about the strategic planning process
July	NOAA Fisheries drafts plan
Aug	NOAA Fisheries West Coast provides draft geographic strategic plan to the Council to review
September	NOAA Fisheries West Coast receives input from Council and other constituents. Input received will be used to finalize plan by October.





# Council Input in September

What are the most important issues, challenges and risks facing the Council?

What do you need from NOAA Fisheries to meet these challenges and mitigate for the risks?

The Council and advisory bodies will have an opportunity to provide input at the September Council meeting.

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