## 2020 PRESEASON MANAGEMENT SCHEDULE AND SCOPE ANNUAL MANAGEMENT CYCLE AMENDMENT

In order to plan, announce, and meet *Federal Register* deadlines for public hearing sites and the entire preseason salmon management process, staff needs to confirm details of the process prior to the end of November 2019. The proposed 2020 process and schedule are contained in Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 1.

For 2020, Council staff recommends one salmon management alternatives hearing per coastal state. The proposed hearing schedule would be

March 23, 2020 Westport, Washington and Coos Bay, Oregon March 24, 2020 Ukiah, California

In 2020, the March Council meeting will occur in Rohnert Park, California and the April Council meeting will occur in Vancouver, Washington. Therefore, the public comment period regarding the tentative adoption of management measures for analysis at the April meeting in Vancouver, Washington also serves as a public comment opportunity. If the states desire to have additional hearings, we suggest they organize and staff them as was done in past years. The table below provides the public attendance record for the past ten years, for Council reference.

City <sup>1/</sup>	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019
Westport	21	54	25	36	26	23	65	55	106	42
Coos Bay	60	19	29	25	14	13	25	48	38	31
Eureka	34	41	42	28						
Fort Bragg						58	29	51		
Salinas									85	
Santa Rosa					5					
Ukiah										33

<sup>1/</sup> Cities in bold are proposed for Council staffing in upcoming year.

In addition, at the September 2019 Council meeting, the Council tasked National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) and Council staffs to develop a work plan and timeline for a potential amendment to the Pacific Salmon Fishery Management Plan (FMP) that would modify the annual salmon management cycle consistent with the proposals requested by NMFS (F.4.a, NMFS Report 1, September 2019). The workgroup has reported their findings in Attachment 2 under this Agenda Item.

## **Council Action:**

- 1. Confirm Council-staffed hearing sites and state intentions for additional hearings.
- 2. Approve staff's overall proposed schedule and process for developing 2020 ocean salmon management measures.
- 3. Identify needed changes to annual salmon cycle, and approve as appropriate a draft workplan and recommendations needed to amend the Salmon FMP and pertinent Council Operating Procedures for finalization by September 2020.

## Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 1: Pacific Fishery Management Council Proposed Schedule and Process for Developing 2020 Ocean Salmon Fishery Management Measures.
- 2. Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 2: Draft Work Plan for Proposed Changes to the Preseason Schedule in the Pacific Salmon Fishery Management Plan.
- 3. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

## Agenda Order:

- E.3 2020 Preseason Management Schedule and Scope Annual Management Cycle Amendment Robin Ehlke
  - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
  - b. Public Comment
  - c. Council Action: Adopt Final 2020 Preseason Management Schedule and Consider an Annual Management Cycle Amendment Including a Purpose and Need Statement, Workload and Schedule

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