

**DRAFT COUNCIL MEETING RECORD**  
**255<sup>th</sup> Session of the**  
**Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
**June 10-12 & 15-19, 2020**  
Web-Based Council Meeting

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## INTRODUCTION

This document contains or identifies the various elements, documents, and sources comprising the complete and official record of Council meeting discussions and actions. In addition to the Meeting Summary, which follows this introductory section (see #7 below), it includes information or references that serve as the functional detailed minutes for this Council meeting as required by §302(i)(2)(E) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act. The full record is maintained at the Council office, is available on the Council website (<http://www.pcouncil.org/>) or upon request from the Council office, and consists of the following:

1. **Meeting Notice and Proposed Agenda** – These documents are available on the Council Website prior to and following each meeting at <http://www.pcouncil.org/>.
2. **Attendance Records** – These documents are available for the Council meeting and each advisory body meeting by request from the Council office.
3. **All Documents, Reports, and Presentations for Council Consideration** – These items include (1) all documents produced or received for the meeting briefing book, validated by a label assigned by the Council Secretariat and distributed to Council Members; (2) written public comments received at the Council meeting in accordance with agenda labeling requirements; and (3) electronic material or handout materials used in presentations to Council Members during the open session. They are available from links in the Meeting Summary of this document or at <https://www.pcouncil.org/council-meetings/previous-meetings/>.
4. **Council Decisions Summary Document** – This document is distributed shortly after each Council meeting. It provides very brief descriptions of most key Council decisions and is available at <https://www.pcouncil.org/council-meetings/previous-meetings/> and also provided by agenda item in the Meeting Summary of this document.
5. **Draft or Final Decision Documents Finalized after the Council Meeting** – Documents such as Environmental Impact Statements or Environmental Assessments are available on the Council website as they are completed.
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7. **Meeting Summary** (immediately follows this section) – The Meeting Summary lists, in agenda item order, the briefing book documents, reports, presentations, and Council motions and actions, including a brief summary from the Council Decisions Summary Document for each agenda item. It constitutes the meeting record formally approved by the Council. The agenda heading for each agenda item, and most listed documents, serve as internet links to the actual briefing book documents. Internet links in brackets (e.g., [[mp3: 11-11-14pm1 @01:21:15](#)]) refer to the audio recording and elapsed time on the recording at which the agenda item was initiated. Links to the audio recordings are annotated by agenda item and may also be accessed at <https://www.pcouncil.org/council-meetings/previous-meetings/>.
8. **Voting Log** – The voting log lists, in Agenda order, the summarized Council motions and actions for each agenda item that took place during the meeting.

## MEETING SUMMARY

### A. Call to Order [[mp3: 6-12-20am1](#)]

#### 1. Opening Remarks – Phil Anderson, Chair [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:00:19](#)]

Mr. Phil Anderson, Council Chair, called the 255<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) to order at 9:40 a.m. on June 12, 2020.

#### 2. Roll Call – Chuck Tracy [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:08:09](#)]

##### Council Members present (or online only\*) during the meeting week:

National Marine Fisheries Service:	Mr. Frank Lockhart, designee*
	Mr. Ryan Wulff, designee
	Ms. Kelly Ames, designee*
	Ms. Aja Szumylo, designee
	Ms. Susan Bishop, designee
Alaska State Official:	Ms. Karla Bush, nonvoting designee
	Ms. Dani Evenson, nonvoting designee
Washington State Official:	Mr. Kyle Adicks, designee
	Ms. Heather Hall, designee
	Mr. Corey Niles, designee
Washington Obligatory:	Mr. Rich Lincoln
Oregon State Official:	Dr. Caren Braby, designee
	Mr. Chris Kern, designee
	Ms. Maggie Sommer, designee
Oregon Obligatory:	Ms. Christa Svensson
California State Official:	Ms. Marci Yaremko, designee
	Mr. Brett Kormos, designee
	Mr. John Ugoretz, designee
	Ms. Briana Braby, designee
California Obligatory:	Mr. Robert Dooley
Idaho State Official:	Mr. Virgil Moore, designee
Idaho Obligatory:	Mr. Pete Hassemer
Tribal Official:	Mr. Joseph Oatman
At-Large:	Mr. Phil Anderson, Chair
	Mr. Louis Zimm
	Mr. Brad Pettinger
	Mr. Marc Gorelnik, Vice-Chair
Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission:	Dr. David Hanson, Parliamentarian, nonvoting designee
U.S. Coast Guard:	LCDR Scott McGrew, nonvoting designee
	LCDR Lee Crusius, nonvoting designee*
	Mr. Chris German, nonvoting designee*
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service:	Mr. Mike Clark, nonvoting designee*
	Dr. Kyle Hanson, nonvoting designee
	Mr. Tom Sinclair, nonvoting designee
	Mr. David Teuscher, nonvoting designee

U.S. State Department:

Mr. David Hogan, nonvoting designee

**3. Executive Director's Report – Chuck Tracy [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:13:11](#)]**

[A.3, Attachment 1](#): Draft Annotated Agenda Council Coordination Committee Meeting Video Conference Call May 27 – 28, 2020

[A.3, Supplemental Attachment 2](#): 29 May 2020 CCC Press Release; Meeting Outcomes

[A.3, Supplemental Attachment 3](#): May 29, 2020 Letter to Wilbur L. Ross Jr. Secretary of Commerce from CCC Reiterating Several Previous Points and Recommendations Regarding Marine National Monuments

[A.3, Supplemental Attachment 4](#): NMFS Draft Procedural Guidance for Changing Assessed Stock Status from Known to Unknown

[A.3, Supplemental Attachment 5](#): Letter from Chris Oliver to the Regional Fishery Management Councils requesting that each Council submit a prioritized list of recommended actions to reduce burdens on domestic fishing and to increase production within sustainable fisheries as required under Section 4 of EO 13921

**4. Agenda – Phil Anderson [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:33:03](#)]**

**a. Council Action: Approve Agenda**

**Motion 1** [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:34:06](#)]: Adopt [Agenda Item A.4, June 10-12 and 15-19, 2020 Council Meeting Agenda](#) with the addition of Electing Council Chair and Vice Chair as an action item.

Marc Gorelnik/Bob Dooley (Motion carried unanimously)

**B. Open Comment Period**

**1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items – Chuck Tracy [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:35:35](#)]**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:38:06](#)]**

[B.1.a, Supplemental HMSAS Report 1](#): Commercial Licensing in the West Coast Albacore Fishery

**b. Public Comment [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 00:41:16](#)]**

Dave Stephens

Tom Schiff

Lori Steele, West Coast Seafood Processors Association

Jacob Isaac-Lowry, FlyWire

Heather Mann, Midwater Trawlers Cooperative

Tara Brock, Oceana

Jeff Lackey

**c. Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate [[mp3: 6-12-20am1 01:24:30](#)]**

**Motion:** None

**Staff Summary:** None

## C. Administrative Matters

### 1. [National Marine Fisheries Service Report](#) – Ryan Wulff [[mp3: 6-12-20am2 00:00:21](#)]

#### a. [Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies](#) [[mp3: 6-12-20am2 00:18:48](#)]

[C.1, Supplemental NMFS Report 1](#)

[C.1, Supplemental NMFS Report 2](#)

[C.1.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

#### b. [Public Comment](#) [[mp3: 6-12-20am2 00:45:35](#)]

Heather Mann, Midwater Trawlers Cooperative

#### c. [Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate](#) [[mp3: 6-12-20am2 00:54:24](#)]

**Motion:** None

**Staff Summary:** None

### 2. [Fiscal Matters](#) – Patricia Crouse [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:02:29](#)]

[C.2, Supplemental Attachment 1](#): Budget Committee Agenda

[C.2, Supplemental Attachment 2](#): Executive Director’s Report to the Budget Committee June 2020

#### a. [Report of the Budget Committee](#) – Pete Hassemer [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:04:49](#)]

#### b. [Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies](#)

#### c. [Public Comment](#)

#### d. [Council Action: Consider Budget Committee Report and Recommendations](#) [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:14:41](#)]

**Motion 6** [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:15:10](#)]: Council adopt the Budget Committee recommendations labeled items 1, 2, and 3 as presented in Agenda Item C.2.a, Supplemental Budget Committee Report 1.

Virgil Moore/Christa Svensson (Motion 6 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council approved the 2020 Operational Budget of \$6,173,557, which includes the Marine Resource Education Program and the Council Coordinating Committee’s Council Member Ongoing Development program for 2021.

### 3. [Approval of Council Meeting Records](#) – Phil Anderson [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:49:12](#)]

[C.3, Attachment 1](#): Draft Council Meeting Record: 253rd Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (March 3-9, 2020)

[C.3, Attachment 2](#): Draft Council Meeting Record: 254th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (April 4-10, 2020)

- a. **Council Action: Approve Previous Council Meeting Records** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:49:23](#)]

**Motion 26** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:49:48](#)]: Council approve the March 2020 meeting record as shown in C.3, Attachment 1: Draft Council Meeting Record: 253rd Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (March 3-9, 2020) and the April 2020 meeting record as shown in C.3, Attachment 2: Draft Council Meeting Record: 254th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (April 4-10, 2020).

Virgil Moore/Pete Hassemer (Motion 26 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** None

4. **Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures** – Mike Burner [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:03:14](#)]

C.4, Supplemental Attachment 1: Letter from Department of State Appointing Ms. Christa M. Svensson as Alternate Commissioner to the WCPFC

- a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:10:39](#)]

C.4.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1

- b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:18:36](#)]

Tara Brock, Oceana

- c. **Council Action: Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:22:18](#)]

**Motion 22** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:32:36](#)]: Council appoint Mr. David McGowen to the vacant Northern Charter Boat Operator position on the Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel formerly held by Ms. Linda Buell.

Corey Niles/Rich Lincoln (Motion 22 carried unanimously)

**Motion 23** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:36:51](#)]: Council appoint Dr. Xi He to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Groundfish Management Team formerly held by Dr. Andrew Thompson and appoint Dr. Matthew Craig to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Highly Migratory Species Management Team formerly held by Mr. James Carretta.

Ryan Wulff/Rich Lincoln (Motion 23 carried unanimously)

**Motion 24** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:41:41](#)]: Council elect Mr. Marc Gorelnik as the Council Chair for the August 11, 2020 through August 10, 2021 term.

Marci Yaremko/Bob Dooley (Motion 24 carried unanimously)

**Motion 25** [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:44:22](#)]: Council elect Mr. Brad Pettinger as the Council Vice-Chair for the August 11, 2020 through August 10, 2021 term.

Maggie Sommer/Virgil Moore (Motion 25 carried unanimously)



**Staff Summary:** The Council elected Mr. Marc Gorelnik as the Council Chair and Mr. Brad Pettinger as the Council Vice-Chair for the August 11, 2020 through August 10, 2021 term.

The Council appointed Mr. David McGowen to the vacant Northern Charter Boat Operator position on the Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel formerly held by Ms. Linda Buell.

The Council appointed Dr. Xi He to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Groundfish Management Team formerly held by Dr. Andrew Thompson and appointed Dr. Matthew Craig to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Highly Migratory Species Management Team formerly held by Mr. James Carretta. These two appointments will become effective following the September 2020 Council meeting.

The Council considered proposed COP revisions regarding groundfish exempted fishing permits and public submission of copyrighted materials to the Council. Council staff will develop review materials and schedule a two-meeting process to address these matters.

**5. [Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning](#) – Chuck Tracy [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:51:07](#)]**

[C.5, Attachment 1](#): Pacific Council Workload Planning: Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance Summary

[C.5, Attachment 2](#): Draft Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, September 10-17, 2020, Spokane, Washington

[C.5, Attachment 3](#): Summary of Non-Essential Agenda Items Postponed from 2020 Council Meetings

[C.5, Supplemental Attachment 4](#): Pacific Council Workload Planning: Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance Summary (06/18/2020)

[C.5, Supplemental Attachment 5](#): Draft Proposed Preliminary Council Meeting Agenda, September 10-17, 2020, Spokane, Washington (v. 06/18/2020; 5:19 pm)

[C.5, Supplemental Attachment 6](#): Postponed or Proposed Non-Essential Candidate Agenda Items

[C.5, Supplemental Attachment 7](#): Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning Issues for Council Discussion

**a. [Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies](#) [[mp3: 6-19-20am1 00:57:50](#)]**

[C.5.a, Supplemental CCCT Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental SSC Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental CPSMT Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental CPSAS Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental HMSMT Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental HMSAS Report 1](#)

[C.5.a, Supplemental SAS Report 1](#): Statement on Informational Report 4

[C.5.a, Supplemental HC Report 1](#)

**b. [Public Comment](#) [[mp3: 6-19-20am2 00:00:30](#)]**

Heather Mann, Midwater Trawlers Cooperative

Ben Enticknap, Oceana  
Theresa Labriola, Wild Oceans  
Sarah Nayani, Arctic Storm Management Group  
Gilly Lyons, The PEW Charitable Trusts  
Mike Conroy, West Coast Fisheries Consultants  
John Koeppen, CA Fishermen's Associations  
Lori Steele, West Coast Seafood Processors Association  
Bill Sutton  
Oliviya Wyse, Monterey Bay Fisheries Trust  
Mike Retherford  
Albert Carter, Ocean Gold Seafoods Inc.  
Mike Okoniewski, Pacific Seafood  
Michael Retherford, Jr, Reliance Fisheries Inc.  
Jeff Lackey  
Mark Cooper, Cooper Fishing Inc

**c. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning** [[mp3: 6-19-20am2 01:09:43](#)] and [[mp3: 6-19-20pm1 00:00:04](#)]

**Motion:** None

**Staff Summary:** None

**D. Highly Migratory Species Management**

**1. International Management Activities – Kit Dahl** [[mp3: 6-12-20pm1 00:00:51](#)]

D.1, Supplemental Attachment 1: WCPFC Circular Announcing Postponement of the 5th Joint NC-IATTC Working Group Meeting

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-12-20pm1 00:10:53](#)]

D.1.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1: HMS International Activities

D.1.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 2

D.1.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 3: Pacific Bluefin Stakeholder Meeting May 19, 2020

D.1.a, Supplemental HMSMT Report 1

D.1.a, Supplemental HMSAS Report 1

**b. Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-12-20pm1 00:41:56](#)]

Teresa Labriola, Wild Oceans

**c. Council Action: Provide Recommendations to Upcoming International Forums Including Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission and Receive an Update on the U.S./Canada Albacore Tuna Treaty** [[mp3: 6-12-20pm1 00:46:28](#)]

**Motion:** None

**Staff Summary:** The Council made the following recommendations on management of HMS in international forums:

- Mr. David Hogan, Department of State representative on the Council, discussed the formation of a working group composed of stakeholders to advise U.S. Government negotiators on port access and other matters under the U.S. Canada Albacore Treaty. The Council supports the formation of this group, emphasizing that it should fairly represent the interests of harvesters, processors, and other industry interests.
- Should negotiation of a successor to Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC) Resolution C-18-01 (Measures for the Conservation and Management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna in the Eastern Pacific Ocean, 2019 and 2020) involve increases in catch limits and national allocations, the U.S. should seek a more equitable allocation between the Eastern Pacific Ocean and Western and Central Pacific Ocean than the current approximately 25 percent/75 percent split, and between the U.S. and Mexico of the EPO allocation.
- In negotiating a successor to IATTC Resolution C-17-02 on tropical tunas (i.e., yellowfin, bigeye, and skipjack tuna), which expires at the end of the 2020 calendar year, the U.S. should protect the interests of domestic harvesters.
- The Council encourages National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) to work with the IATTC Scientific Advisory Committee and Commission science staff to prioritize assessing the striped marlin stocks within the IATTC Convention Area.

## E. Salmon Management

1. [Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast Coho Endangered Species Act \(ESA\) Consultation](#) – Robin Ehlke [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:03:09](#)]

  - a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:06:19](#)]

[E.1.a. Supplemental SONCC Workgroup Report 1](#)

[E.1.a. Supplemental SONCC Workgroup Report 2](#) (TOR and Timeline)

- b. [Public Comment](#) [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:09:26](#)]

None

- c. **Council Action: Adopt the Terms of Reference and Provide Guidance on Further Work and Schedule** [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:09:37](#)]

**Motion 2** [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:10:55](#)]: Council adopt the Terms of Reference as presented in Agenda Item E.1.a, Supplemental SONCC Workgroup Report 2 (TOR and Timeline), with the following modification:

- Replace the third bullet in [Section 1. Purpose](#) with the following language: assess a range of control rules including marine and freshwater fisheries combined, the marine and freshwater fisheries components, and marine fisheries only, affecting SONCC coho as appropriate, given potential data limitations, and what is feasible to accomplish within the timeline described below;

Brett Kormos/Bob Dooley (Motion 2 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted the '[Terms of Reference and Timeline](#)' document which outlines the purpose, milestones, and schedule to guide the Ad-Hoc SONCC Coho Workgroup in

accomplishing its tasks. The Council also supported the tentative schedule and membership roster provided in the Workgroup's [progress report](#).

2. [Southern Resident Killer Whale \(SRKW\) Endangered Species Act Consultation Update](#) – Robin Ehlke [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:18:21](#)]

a. [Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies](#) [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:23:56](#)]

[E.2, SRKW Workgroup Report 1](#): Pacific Fishery Management Council Salmon Fishery Management Plan Impacts to Southern resident Killer Whales Risk Assessment (*Electronic Only*)

[E.2.a, Supplemental SRKW Workgroup Report 2](#)

[E.2.a, Supplemental Hoh Tribal Report 1](#)

[E.2.a, Supplemental Makah Tribal Report 1](#)

[E.2.a, Supplemental Quileute Tribal Report 1](#)

[E.2.a, Supplemental Quinault Tribal Report 1](#)

[E.2.a, Supplemental Joint Tribal Report 1](#): Makah Tribe, Quileute Tribe, Hoh Tribe, and Quinault Indian Nation

[E.2.a, Supplemental SAS Report 1](#)

b. [Public Comment](#) [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 00:41:44](#)]

Ben Enticknap, Oceana - [E.2.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 1](#) (Oceana)

c. **Council Action: Adopt Final Risk Assessment, Review Draft SRKW Workgroup Management Measure Recommendations, and Provide Guidance** [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 01:06:02](#)]

**Motion 3** [[mp3: 6-15-20am1 01:08:43](#)]: I move that the Council adopt the Risk Assessment on Salmon Fishery Management Plan Impacts to Southern Resident Killer Whales as presented in Agenda Item E.2.a, SRKW Workgroup Report 1, as final.

Kyle Adicks/Virgil Moore (Motion 3 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted the Workgroup's [Risk Assessment of the Pacific Fishery Management Council Salmon Fishery Management Plan Impacts to Southern Resident Killer Whales](#) as final, and directed the Workgroup to continue developing recommendations on a potential management framework for adjusting salmon ocean fisheries in response to the Chinook prey base for the whales as described in the Workgroup's [progress report](#). The Council will consider a range of alternatives for a Fishery Management Plan or regulatory amendment to implement a management strategy in September.

3. [Amendment 20: Annual Management Schedule and Boundary Change](#) – Robin Ehlke [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 00:00:23](#)]

[E.3, Supplemental Presentation 1](#): Ehlke

[E.3, Attachment 1](#): Excerpt from Pacific Coast Salmon Fishery Management Plan

[E.3, Attachment 2](#): Pacific Salmon Fishery Management Plan: Amendment 20: Proposed change to the preseason schedule and to the Klamath Management Zone boundary

- a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 00:38:03](#)]

[E.3.a, Supplemental SAS Report 1](#)

[E.3.a, Supplemental EC Report 1](#)

- b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 00:44:26](#)]

John Koeppen, Santa Cruz Fishermen's Association

- c. **Council Action: Review Progress on Amendment 20, Adopt a Range of Alternatives, and Consider Preliminary Preferred Alternatives as Appropriate** [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 00:50:17](#)]

**Motion 4** [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 01:21:03](#)]: Council to adopt the purpose and need, scope of action, and range of alternatives for the proposed change to the preseason schedule as described in sections 2.1, 3.1, and 4.1 in Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 2.

Chris Kern/Susan Bishop (Motion 4 carried unanimously)

**Motion 5** [[mp3: 6-15-20am2 01:24:47](#)]: Council adopt the alternatives described in Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 2 (section 4.2 Proposed boundary change) to modify the southern boundary of the KMZ from latitude 40° 05' N (Horse Mountain, California) five miles north to latitude 40° 10' N for analysis with the following addition:

- Add a third alternative that would create a conservation zone between the current southern KMZ boundary at latitude 40° 05' N (Horse Mountain, California) and the proposed new southern KMZ boundary at latitude 40° 10' N during years when Klamath River fall-run Chinook salmon are managed under the de minimis provisions of the Klamath River fall-run Chinook salmon Control Rule.

Susan Bishop/Phil Anderson (Motion 5 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted for public review a range of alternatives for both the annual management schedule and the southern Klamath Management Zone boundary change being considered under Amendment 20. The alternatives are consistent with those described in the [Project Team report](#), with the addition of a third boundary change alternative, which would designate the proposed 5 nm area as a conservation zone available for use during years of low Klamath River fall Chinook abundance forecasts.

## F. Groundfish Management

1. **Final Action to Adopt Management Measures and Exempted Fishing Permits for 2021-2022 Fisheries** – Todd Phillips/Jim Seger [[mp3: 6-16-20am1 00:03:24](#)]

[F.1, Attachment 1](#): Year-Round Coastwide Midwater Rockfish EFP: Monitoring and Minimizing Salmon Bycatch When Targeting Rockfish in the Shorebased IFQ Fishery, 2021-2022. (*West Coast Seafood Processors Association; Oregon Trawl Commission; Midwater Trawlers Cooperative; Environmental Defense Fund*)

[F.1, Attachment 2](#): California Department of Fish and Wildlife; 2021-2022 Exempted Fishing Permit Application (CDFW)

[F.1, Attachment 3](#): Groundfish EFP Proposal: Yellowtail Rockfish Jig Fishing off California (*San Francisco Community Fishing Association and Dan Platt*)

[F.1, Attachment 4](#): Commercial Midwater Hook-and-Line Rockfish in RCA off Oregon (*Scott Cook*)

[F.1, Attachment 5](#): Proposal for an Exempted Fishery Permit, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, Enhanced Yelloweye Recreational Fishery Biological Sampling (*WDFW*)

[F.1, Attachment 6](#): Monterey Bay Regional Exempted Fishing Permit Targeting Chilipepper Rockfish (*Real Good Fish*)

[F.1, Attachment 7](#): Preferred 2021 and 2022 harvest specifications, acceptable biological catches, and annual catch limits for West Coast groundfish stocks and stock complexes under preferred harvest control rules

[F.1, Attachment 8](#): Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery 2021-2022 Harvest Specifications and Management Measures Analytical Document. Organized as a Draft Environmental Assessment Chapters 1-5 (*Electronic Only*)

[F.1, Attachment 9](#): Action Item Checklist

a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-16-20am1 00:16:53](#)] & [[mp3: 6-16-20am2 00:00:37](#)]

[F.1.a, Supplemental WDFW Report 1](#)

[F.1.a, ODFW Report 1](#)

[F.1.a, GMT Report 1](#): Shortbelly Rockfish Mitigation Options

[F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2](#): 2021-22 EFPs and Management Measures

[F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 3](#): Shortbelly Rockfish Recommendations for 2021- 2022

[F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Presentation 1](#): Final Preferred 2021-2022 EFPs and Management Measures

[F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 4](#): Impacts for Non-Trawl RCA Proposals for 2021-22

[F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Presentation 2](#): Shortbelly Rockfish

[F.1.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1](#): Potential Regulations to Implement Shortbelly Rockfish Mitigation Measures

[F.1.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

[F.1.a, Supplemental HC Report 1](#)

[F.1.a, Supplemental EC Report 1](#)

b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-16-20pm1 00:01:40](#)]

Sarah Nayani, Arctic Storm Management Group

Jon Gonzalez, Pacific Seafood

Gerry Richter, B & G Seafoods and SBCFLC

Dan Waldeck, Pacific Whiting Conservation Cooperative

Merit McCrea

Anna Weinstein, Audubon

Tom Rudolph, The PEW Charitable Trusts

Heather Mann, Midwater Trawlers Cooperative - [F.1.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 2](#): (MTC)

Lori Steele, West Coast Seafood Processors Association

Kurt Cochran, F/V Marathon

Geoffrey Shester, Oceana - [F.1.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 1](#): (Oceana)

Bill James, Port San Luis Commercial Fisherman's Association

Kristine McQuaw, Shorebased Whiting Cooperative

Jaime Diamond, Sportfishing Association of California

Justin Johnson, F/V Pegasus \*did not testify  
Dan Platt  
Bob Ingles \*did not testify

c. **Council Action: Adopt Final Exempted Fishing Permit Recommendations and Final Preferred Management Measures for 2021-2022 Fisheries** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 00:02:57](#)] and [[mp3: 6-18-20am2 00:06:54](#)]

**Motion 13** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 00:15:59](#)]: Council confirm 2021-2022 harvest specifications and harvest control rules for all groundfish stocks and stock complexes from April 2020 as shown in Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 7, June 2020 (Action Item 1), except shortbelly rockfish.  
Heather Hall/Rich Lincoln (Motion 13 carried unanimously)

**Motion 14** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 00:19:50](#)]: Council adopt final recommendations for all 2021-2022 EFPs (Year-Round Coastwide Midwater Rockfish EFP, CDFW 2021-2022 EFP, Yellowtail Rockfish Jig Fishing off California/Platt EFP, Commercial Hook-and-Line Rockfish in RCA off Oregon/Cook, WDFW Enhanced Yelloweye Recreation Fishery Biological Sampling and, Monterey Bay Regional EFP Targeting Chilipepper Rockfish/Real Good Fish) and the associated set-asides as shown in Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, Table 1.  
Heather Hall/Marci Yaremko (Motion 14 carried unanimously)

**Motion 15** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 00:32:34](#)]: Council adopt the following Management measures as presented in Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, Appendix 2:

- Off-the-top deductions for research and IOA and a monthly landing limit of 500 pounds of yellowtail rockfish in the salmon troll fishery north of 40° 10' N. lat., as long as salmon are included in the landing but that does not include a salmon to yellowtail landing ration (Action Item 3 IOA/research),
- An ACT of 50 mt for cowcod south of 40° 10' N. lat. (Action Item 5),
- HGs for species managed in a complex (Action Item 6),
- Two-year trawl/non-trawl allocations and two-year canary rockfish allocation (Action Item 7),
- A21 trawl/non-trawl allocations for petrale sole, widow rockfish, and lingcod south of 40° 10' N. lat., slope rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat., including blackgill rockfish (Action Item 8),
- At-sea whiting set asides (Action Item 9),
- Within non-trawl HGs, ACTs, or shares of LEFG/OA and recreational sectors (Action Item 10),
- Shorebased IFQ trip limits for big skates and blackgill rockfish (Action Item 12),
- LEFG/OA trip limits and removal of the flatfish gear restriction within the non-trawl RCA south of 42° N. lat. and establishing 50 lbs. per month shortspine thornyhead and 50 lbs. per month longspine thornyhead trip limit north of 34° 27' N. lat. (Action Item 13), and
- Management measures for recreational fisheries as recommended by WDFW and ODFW and presented in their reports; WDFW, Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental WDFW Report 1, June 2020 and; ODFW, Agenda Item F.1.a, ODFW Report 1; (Action Items 14 and 15).

**Amendment 1** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 00:39:39](#)]: Regarding Action Item 8 – strike “A21” replace with “convert the” and after “blackgill rockfish” add “to 2 year allocations using PPA methods”.

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Amendment 1 carried unanimously)  
Heather Hall/Louis Zimm (Motion 15, as amended, carried unanimously)

**Motion 16** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1](#) 01:01:05]: Council adopt the preliminary preferred alternative from the April 2020 Council Meeting as final preferred alternative for treaty set-asides, harvest guidelines, and allocations. These set-asides, harvest guidelines, and allocations are consistent with G.6.a, Supplemental Tribal Report 1, April 2020.

Joe Oatman/Bob Dooley (Motion 16 carried unanimously)

**Motion 17** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1](#) 01:04:02]: Council adopt the following change to the commercial non-trawl Rockfish Conservation Area between 40° 10' N. latitude and 46° 16' N. latitude (the Oregon-Washington border):

- Between the 30 fathom and 40 fathom management lines, allow fishing with hook-and-line gear except bottom longline and dinglebar, as defined in Federal regulation at 50 CFR § 660.11 - General definitions.

Maggie Sommer/Brad Pettinger (Motion 17 carried unanimously)

**Motion 18** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1](#) 01:20:19]: Council adopt the Final Preferred Alternative for minor line adjustments to Rockfish Conservation Area boundaries for waters south of 40° 10' N. latitude, consistent with all recommendations in Agenda Item H.8.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 1, November 2019:

RCA Coordinate Updates (described in Action Item 2)

1. RCA waypoint additions to the 40-fathom line off central CA
2. RCA waypoint additions and corrections to the 100-fathom line south of Pt. Conception

Recreational (Described in Action Item 2 – Area Management; and Action Item 16 CA Recreational):

1. Mendocino Groundfish Management Area (Cape Mendocino to Point Arena): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (May through October) from 20 to 30 fathoms.
2. San Francisco Groundfish Management Area (Point Arena to Pigeon Point): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (April through December) from 40 to 50 fathoms.
3. Southern Groundfish Management Area (Point Conception to the U.S. – Mexico border): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (March through December) from 75 to 100 fathoms.

Commercial (Described in Action Item 2 – Area Management):

1. Implement a new management line at 38° 57.5' N. lat., (Point Arena) for purposes of defining RCA boundaries.
2. In the area between 38° 57.5' and 34° 27' N. lat., (Point Arena to Point Conception): Increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 40 to 50 fathoms. [NOTE: The shoreward RCA depth between 40° 10' N. lat. and 38° 57.5' N. lat. would remain unchanged; at 40 fathoms.]
3. From 34° 27' N. lat. (Point Conception) to the U.S.-Mexico border: Increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 75 fathoms to 100 fathoms.



Marci Yaremko/ (Motion 18 carried unanimously)

**Motion 19** [[mp3: 6-18-20am1 01:50:42](#)]: Council adopt California Recreational Management Measures and Season structures as described in Agenda Item G.6.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 2, April 2020 (Includes all non-RCA items in Action Item 16 – California Recreational)

- The same season structure as in 2019-2020
- The following modifications to the 10 fish Rockfish/Cabazon/Greenling aggregate bag limit:
  - Eliminate the sub-bag limit for Cabazon/Black rockfish and canary rockfish.
  - Establish a sub-bag limit for vermilion at 5 fish.

Marci Yaremko/Louis Zimm (Motion 19 carried unanimously)

**Motion 20** [[mp3: 6-18-20am2 00:06:54](#)]: Council reclassify shortbelly rockfish as an ecosystem component species in the Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. The ecosystem component designation would still allow the Council and NMFS to monitor and manage the species and, in a timely manner, determine whether Federal management is needed per the NS1 guidelines. If catches exceed 2,000 mt in a calendar year the Council will investigate changes in stock, stock abundance, fishing behavior, marketability, or other factors and reconsider EC species designation. The Council may also recommend other management measures for shortbelly rockfish that meet the Council's ecosystem objectives in the FEP. Other management measures may include (but not limited to) area closures, gear prohibitions, bycatch limits, seasonal closures, permits, etc.

Heather Hall/Pete Hassemer (Motion 20 carried; Ms. Yaremko and Mr. Gorelnik voted no)

**Staff Summary:** The Council forwarded six 2021-2022 exempted fishing permits (EFP) applications ([Year-round Coastwide Midwater Rockfish](#); [California Department of Fish and Wildlife Recreational Cowcod Sampling in California EFP](#); [Yellowtail Rockfish Jig Fishing off California EFP](#); [Commercial Midwater Hook and Line Rockfish in the Rockfish Conservation Area Off Oregon EFP](#); [Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife Enhanced Yelloweye Recreational Fishery Biological Sampling EFP](#); and the [Monterey Regional EFP Targeting Chilipepper Rockfish](#)) to NMFS for implementation, clarifying that the yellowtail rockfish jig fishing EFP should include 100 percent observer coverage.

The Council adopted final 2021 and 2022 harvest specifications for stocks and stock complexes by confirming their [April 2020 decision](#) for all stocks except shortbelly rockfish. The Council recommended shortbelly rockfish be designated an Ecosystem Component (EC) Species. The Council also determined there would be a trigger of 2,000 mt of cumulative catch in a calendar year for further Council consideration of shortbelly rockfish impacts. The stock will continue to be monitored by the GMT and inseason catches will be tracked using the [species scorecard](#).

The Council confirmed their preliminary preferred alternative (PPA) as final preferred alternative (FPA) for routine management measures 2021 and 2022 groundfish fisheries, including the annual catch limit deductions for tribal, research, recreational, EFP, and incidental open access fisheries, as well as set-asides for the at-sea whiting fisheries, as recommended by the [GMT](#). The Council adopted trip limits for incidentally caught yellowtail rockfish for salmon troll fisheries both north and south of 40° 10' N. lat. For the salmon troll fishery north of 40° 10' N. lat., the Council eliminated the salmon to yellowtail ratio requirement and recommended a monthly trip limit of

500 lbs. of yellowtail rockfish, with the additional requirement that salmon are included in the landing. For the salmon troll fishery south of 40° 10' N. lat., the Council adopted their PPA of 1 lb. of yellowtail rockfish per 2 lb. of Chinook salmon landed, with a cumulative monthly limit of 200 lbs. of yellowtail rockfish.

The Council adopted the harvest guidelines and allocations, and established a 50 mt annual catch target for cowcod south of 40° 10' N. lat., as recommended by the [GMT](#). Further, the Council confirmed their PPA as FPA for the two-year trawl/non-trawl and commercial trip limits for all stocks. As part of the trip limit action item, the Council removed flatfish gear restrictions within the non-trawl Rockfish Conservation Area (RCA) south of 42° N. lat. and established a 50 lbs. per month shortspine thornyhead and 50 lbs. per month longspine thornyhead trip limit north of 34° 27' N. lat. The Council also converted the allocations from Amendment 21 formulas for widow rockfish, petrale sole, and lingcod south of 40° 10' N. lat., and the Slope Rockfish Complex, including blackgill rockfish, to new two-year allocations as detailed in the [Draft Environmental Assessment](#).

The Council adopted the recreational management measures recommended by the [California Department of Fish and Wildlife](#), the [Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife](#), and the [Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife](#). Additionally, the Council adopted multiple changes to the non-trawl RCA off California for recreational and commercial fisheries. The recreational management area depth changes to the RCA are as follows:

- Mendocino Groundfish Management Area (Cape Mendocino to Point Arena): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (May through October) from 20 to 30 fathoms.
- San Francisco Groundfish Management Area (Point Arena to Pigeon Point): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (April through December) from 40 to 50 fathoms.
- Southern Groundfish Management Area (Point Conception to the U.S.-Mexico border): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (March through December) from 75 to 100 fathoms.

The changes to the commercial non-trawl RCA depth boundaries are:

- Implementation of a new management line at 38° 57.5' N. lat., (Point Arena) for purposes of defining RCA boundaries.
- In the area between 38° 57.5' and 34° 27' N. lat., (Point Arena to Point Conception): increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 40 to 50 fathoms. [*NOTE: The shoreward RCA depth between 40° 10' N. lat. and 38° 57.5' N. lat. would remain unchanged; at 40 fathoms.*]
- From 34° 27' N. lat. (Point Conception) to the U.S.-Mexico border: increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 75 fathoms to 100 fathoms.

The Council recommended to move the shoreward boundary of the non-trawl RCA between 40° 10' N. lat. and 46° 16' N. lat. from 30 fm to 40 fm and, within this area and depth range, to only allow fishing with hook and line gears, with the exception of dinglebar and longline (defined at 50 CFR 660.11).

2. [Stock Assessment Plan and Terms of Reference \(TOR\) – Final Action](#) – John DeVore [[mp3: 6-16-20pm2 00:00:22](#)]

[F.2, Attachment 1](#): Summary of the NWFSC West Coast Groundfish Bottom Trawl Survey Data for Select Species from 2003-2019

[F.2, Attachment 2](#): NMFS Assessment Prioritization Workbook (*Electronic Only*)

[F.2, Attachment 3](#): Draft Revised Terms of Reference for the Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species Stock Assessment Process for 2021 and 2022

a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-16-20pm2 00:05:43](#)]

[F.2.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1](#)

[F.2.a, Supplemental NMFS Presentation 1](#): Recommendations for 2021 Groundfish Stock Assessments and Species for Consideration in 2023 (Hastie)

[F.2.a, Supplemental SSC Report 1](#)

[F.2.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1](#)

[F.2.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

[F.2.a, Supplemental CPSMT Report 1](#)

[F.2.a, Supplemental CPSAS Report 1](#)

b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-16-20pm2 01:29:15](#)]

Geoff Shester, Oceana

c. **Council Action: Adopt the Final List and Schedule of Groundfish Stocks for Assessment in 2021, the Stock Assessment and Methodology Review TOR for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species, the Rebuilding TOR for Overfished Groundfish Stocks; Refine the Preliminary List of Stocks for 2023 Assessments** [[mp3: 6-16-20pm3 00:00:13](#)] and [[mp3: 6-17-20am3 00:00:16](#)]

**Motion 8** [[mp3: 6-17-20am3 00:03:18](#)]: Council adopt the following list of stocks for assessment in 2021:

- Full: vermilion/sunset rockfish off Oregon and California (data moderate or limited for Washington, as appropriate), dover sole, and lingcod
- Data moderate: spiny dogfish, copper rockfish, quillback rockfish, and squarespot rockfish
- Update assessment: sablefish
- Catch Only projections: arrowtooth flounder, canary rockfish, darkblotched rockfish, and petrale sole

Corey Niles/Marci Yaremko (Motion 8 carried unanimously)

**Motion 9** [[mp3: 6-17-20am3 00:17:22](#)]: Council adopt the following list of stocks as candidate for assessment in 2023, and identify the underlined stocks as preliminary priorities for assessment:

- Full: Petrale sole, black rockfish, sablefish, roughey rockfish, shortbelly rockfish, redbanded rockfish
- Full or update: Yellowtail rockfish (north)
- Full or data moderate: Yellowtail rockfish (south), greenspotted rockfish, flathead sole
- Data Moderate: Bank rockfish, brown rockfish, starry rockfish, longspine thornyhead, shortspine thornyhead, English sole, rex sole, treefish, olive rockfish, speckled rockfish

- Update: Yelloweye rockfish

Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson (Motion 9 carried unanimously)

**Motion 10 [mp3: 6-17-20am3 00:28:50]:** Council adopt the Final Terms of Reference for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species Stock Assessments for 2021-2022 as shown in F.2, Attachment 3, with the following amendments:

- The correction to Appendix A to reflect review of a full benchmark assessment of the central subpopulation of northern anchovy rather than a catch-only projection review, as identified by the SSC, CPSMT, and CPSAS.
- All edits shown in strikeout/underline as reflected in F.2, Attachment 3.
- Additionally, in response to advice from the CPSMT and the CPSAS, direct Council staff to schedule future development of stand-alone CPS and Groundfish Stock Assessment TORs, in order for each to be effective by 2023.

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 10 carried unanimously)

**Motion 11 [mp3: 6-17-20am3 00:33:22]:** Council adopt the status quo Terms of Reference for the Methodology Review Process for the Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species, and the Terms of Reference for Groundfish Rebuilding Analyses, for use in 2021-2022.

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 11 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted groundfish stock assessments to be conducted in 2021 as follows: full assessments for vermilion and sunset rockfishes (to be assessed as a complex of the two species), Dover sole, and lingcod; data-moderate assessments for spiny dogfish, copper rockfish, quillback rockfish, and squarespot rockfish; an update assessment of sablefish; and catch-only projection updates for arrowtooth flounder, canary rockfish, darkblotched rockfish, and petrale sole. There will be three Stock Assessment Review (STAR) panels next year to review the full assessments with one panel for vermilion and sunset rockfishes and one panel for lingcod since there will be separate area assessments. The third STAR panel will review Dover sole and the data-moderate spiny dogfish assessment since that assessment will be more complex and in need of a more robust review process. The Council also adopted three terms of reference to guide the 2021-2022 stock assessment review process for groundfish and coastal pelagic species (CPS), the 2021-2022 methodology review process for groundfish and CPS, and groundfish rebuilding analyses. Effective 2023, the Council requested separate stock assessment terms for reference for groundfish and CPS.

The Council also adopted a list of candidate stocks for assessment in 2023 as follows (underlined stocks are stronger candidates): full assessments for petrale sole, black rockfish, sablefish, rougheyeye rockfish, shortbelly rockfish, and redbanded rockfish; a full or update assessment for yellowtail rockfish north of 40° 10' N. lat.; full or data-moderate assessments for yellowtail rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat., greenspotted rockfish, and flathead sole; data-moderate assessments for bank rockfish, brown rockfish, starry rockfish, longspine thornyhead, shortspine thornyhead, English sole, rex sole, treefish, olive rockfish, and speckled rockfish; and an update assessment for yelloweye rockfish. A final decision on 2023 stock assessment priorities is anticipated in June 2022.

3. **Electronic Monitoring – Final Action** – Brett Wiedoff [[mp3: 6-17-20pm1 00:00:20](#)]

[F.3, Attachment 1](#): Proposed Electronic Monitoring Program Alternatives Adopted for Public Review

[F.3, Attachment 2](#): Response Letter from NMFS Regarding EM Program

a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-17-20pm1 00:005:27](#)]

[F.3.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1](#): Draft Electronic Monitoring Regulatory Text

[F.3.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 1](#)

[F.3.a, Supplemental GEMPAC Report 1](#)

[F.3.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1](#)

[F.3.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

[F.3.a, Supplemental EC Report 1](#)

b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-17-20pm2 00:00:19](#)]

Brent Paine, United Catcher Boats

Jeff Lackey

Heather Mann, Midwater Trawlers Cooperative

Kate Kauer, The Nature Conservancy

Melissa Mahoney, Environmental Defense Fund

Lisa Damrosch, Half Moon Bay Groundfish Marketing Association

c. **Council Action: Adopt Final Recommendations for Regulatory Changes, Program Implementation, and Exempted Fishing Permits** [[mp3: 6-17-20pm2 00:39:35](#)]

**Motion 12** [[mp3: 6-17-20pm2 00:51:55](#)]: Council adopt the final recommendations for changes to the electronic monitoring (EM) program regulations:

1. Hard Drive Deadline: increase the hard drive submission to 72 hours from the beginning of the offload.
2. Reusing Hard Drives: require EM data to be removed before reusing hard drives only if end-to-end encryption is not used.
3. Limit on Switching Between EM and Observers for Whiting: remove the limit on switching between observers and EM for whiting vessels.
4. Mothership/Catcher Vessel (MS/CV) Endorsement: remove the requirement for an MS/CV endorsement to use EM on mothership catcher vessel trips.
5. Pre-departure Test: Maintain status quo for the pre-departure test requirements as it is useful in ensuring systems are working before departure.
6. Logbook Processing: allow EM providers to receive and enter logbook information, rather than submitting to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).
7. Reporting Deadlines for EM Service Providers: required deadlines for EM service provider reports of technical assistance, logbook data, vessel operator feedback, EM summary and data compliance reports, and other as specified elsewhere.
8. Data retention: align data retention requirements with NMFS Procedure 04-115-03 entitled Third party minimum data retention in EM programs for federally-managed U.S. fisheries.
9. Correct the reference to “a NMFS-accepted EM Service Plan” under 660.603(a)(1) to 660.603(b)(1)(vii).

10. Change the implementation date to be no earlier than January 1, 2022 in the EM Program regulations for both the electronic monitoring provider permits and responsibilities, and the vessel and first receiver responsibilities.
11. Revising regulations regarding authorized release of EM data as described under F.3.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1: revise the regulations at §660.603(n)(3) to refer to an “authorized representative of the vessel” consistent with other West Coast regulations.
12. Revising regulations defining limitations on conflicts of interest for EM service providers as described under F.3.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1: revise the definition of a conflict of interest at §660.603(h) to exclude providing other types of technical and equipment services to fishing companies.

In addition:

- The Council recommends NMFS approve the continuation of the existing EM exempted fishing permits (EFPs), modified as necessary, until the effective date of the amended regulations. Further, the Council recommends that the EFP allow new entrants to join the extended EM EFPs for the purpose of gaining additional information to address EM issues associated with the bottom trawl fishery. And,
- The Council recommends NMFS, in consultation with the Council, conduct a comprehensive review of program guidelines and manual consistent with the revised proposed rule that will reflect the proposed changes and the final procedural directive on data retention, and any other relevant directives. And,
- Assign the Executive Director of the Council to conduct a final review, deem and transmit regulations, and consult with NMFS on any necessary clarifications that are identified following the Council meeting, with the intent of expediting publication of the proposed rule as soon as possible.

Phil Anderson/Bob Dooley

**Amendment 1** [[mp3: 6-17-20pm2 01:19:10](#)]: For part 8: Maintain the retention of records requirements specified in 50 CFR 600.603(m)(6) as referenced in Agenda Item F.3.a, Supplemental EC Report 1.

Marci Yaremko/Bob Dooley (Amendment 1 failed – Mr. Moore, Mr. Wulff, Mr. Niles, and Ms. Yaremko voted yes).

Motion 12 carried unanimously

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted final recommendations for changes to West Coast electronic monitoring (EM) Program regulations. These include the following items:

1. Hard Drive Deadline: increase the hard drive submission deadline to 72 hours from the beginning of the offload.
2. Reusing Hard Drives: require EM data to be removed before reusing hard drives only if end-to-end encryption is not used.
3. Limit on Switching Between EM and Observers for Whiting: remove the limit on switching between observers and EM for whiting vessels.
4. Mothership/Catcher Vessel (MS/CV) Endorsement: remove the requirement for an MS/CV endorsement to use EM on mothership catcher vessel trips.
5. Logbook Processing: allow EM providers to receive and enter logbook information, rather than submitting to NMFS.

6. Reporting Deadlines for EM Service Providers: require deadlines for EM service provider reports of technical assistance, logbook data, vessel operator feedback, EM summary and data compliance reports, and other as specified elsewhere.
7. Data retention: align data retention requirements with [NMFS Procedural Directive 04-115-03](#) entitled third party minimum data retention in EM programs for federally managed U.S. fisheries.
8. Correct a reference: edit regulations to correct reference number from 660.603(a)(1) to 660.603(b)(1)(vii) for “a NMFS-accepted EM Service Plan”.
9. EM Implementation date: change the implementation date to be no earlier than January 1, 2022 in the EM Program regulations for both the electronic monitoring provider permits and responsibilities, and the vessel and first receiver responsibilities.
10. Revise definition to authorized release of EM data: revise the regulations at §660.603(n)(3) to refer to an “authorized representative of the vessel” consistent with other West Coast regulations.
11. Revise definition of a conflict of interest: revise regulations at §660.603(h) for limitations on conflicts of interest for EM service providers to exclude providing other types of technical and equipment services to fishing companies.

In addition, the Council recommended that NMFS approve the continuation of the existing EM exempted fishing permits (EFPs), until the effective date of the amended regulations and to allow new entrants to join the extended EM EFPs, particularly to gain additional information on EM in the bottom trawl fishery.

The Council also recommended that NMFS, in consultation with the Council, conduct a comprehensive review of EM program guidelines and provider manual consistent with the revised proposed rule, the final data retention procedural directive, and any other relevant NMFS directives.

4. [Inseason Action – Final Action](#) – Todd Phillips [[mp3: 6-18-20pm1 00:00:14](#)]

a. [Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies](#) [[mp3: 6-18-20pm1 00:02:34](#)]

[F.4.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1](#): 2020 Trawl Gear EFP

[F.4.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 2](#): Update on Changes to Annual Timing of Issuing Shorebased Individual Fishing Quota Surplus Carryover

[F.4.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 1](#): Inseason Report on 2020 Groundfish Harvest in California

[F.4.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1](#)

[F.4.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

b. [Public Comment](#)

c. **Council Action: Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments for 2020, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives** [[mp3: 6-18-20pm1 00:40:28](#)]

**Motion 21** [[mp3: 6-18-20pm1 00:41:21](#)]: Council adopt option 2 trip limits in Agenda Item F.4.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, June 2020.

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 21 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council recommended the following [new trip limits](#) for limited entry fixed gear (LEFG) and open access for bocaccio rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat.: 6,000 lbs. per two months for LEFG and 4,000 lbs. per two months for open access to be implemented as soon as possible.

## G. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

### 1. [Sardine Rebuilding Plan](#) – Kerry Griffin [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:16:50](#)]

#### a. **Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies** [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 00:22:51](#)]

[G.1.a, CPSMT Report 1](#)

[G.1.a, Supplemental CPSMT Report 2](#)

[G.1.a, Supplemental SSC Report 1](#)

[G.1.a, Supplemental CPSAS Report 1](#)

[G.1.a, Supplemental HMSAS Report 1](#)

[G.1.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)

#### b. **Public Comment** [[mp3: 6-17-20am1 01:17:15](#)] and [[mp3: 6-17-20am2 00:00:16](#)]

Diane Pleschner-Steele, California Wetfish Producers Association - [G.1.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 1](#): (CWPA)

Rick Mayer, Marcus Food Co Fisheries Div. - [G.1.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 2](#): (Mayer)

Ben Enticknap, Oceana - [G.1.b, Supplemental Public Presentation 3](#): (Oceana)

Tom Schiff

Mike Okoniewski, West Coast Pelagic Conservation Group

Gilly Lyons, The PEW Charitable Trusts

Tom Brinton, Long Beach Bait Company

#### c. **Council Action: Review Draft Rebuilding Plan, Adopt a Range of Alternatives, and Consider a Preliminary Preferred Alternative, as appropriate** [[mp3: 6-17-20am2 00:39:10](#)]

**Motion 7** [[mp3: 6-17-20am2 00:57:53](#)]: Council adopt the Range of Alternatives as listed in Agenda Item G.1.a, Supplemental CPSMT Report 2, June 2020.

**Amendment 1** [[mp3: 6-17-20am2 01:01:34](#)]: Add at the end of the main motion: “in addition the Council would request the additional analysis of a 5% constant exploitation rate of the age-1 biomass as mention in modified alternative 2 of Supplemental CPSAS Report 1, Agenda Item G.1.a.”

Lincoln/Anderson

**Amendment 1a** [[mp3: 6-17-20am2 01:14:08](#)]: Change to “age-1+ biomass”

Phil Anderson/Bob Dooley (Amendment 1a carried unanimously)

Amendment 1, as amended, carried (Zimm, Brady, Dooley voted no)

Briana Brady/Louis Zimm (Motion 7, as amended, carried unanimously)



**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted the sardine rebuilding plan range of alternatives recommended in the [CPSMT report](#), and added a five percent fixed harvest rate alternative. The Council directed the SSC CPS Subcommittee to meet in July to consider the Rebuilder tool specifications and its application for analysis of the rebuilding alternatives. The alternatives will be available for public review prior to the Council taking final action to adopt a rebuilding plan for sardine at its September 2020 meeting.

## INFORMATIONAL REPORTS

[Informational Report 1:](#) Sablefish Management and Trawl Allocation Attainment Committee: Final Report to the Council

[Informational REVISED Report 2:](#) Preliminary Assessment of Trawl Under-Attainment Issues and SaMTAAC Alternative Qualification Criteria

[Informational Report 3:](#) Annual Report to the Pacific Fishery Management Council; West Coast Enforcement Division

[Informational Report 4:](#) Groundfish Advisory Subpanel Informational Report for High Priority Groundfish Items

[Informational Report 5:](#) Letter dated April 15, 2020 to Chris Oliver and Barry Thom from U.S. Congress Members re: Request NOAA work with our partners and constituents in the fisheries industry to give them the flexibility they need to protect both their workers and their businesses during the coronavirus pandemic

[Informational Report 6:](#) NOAA News: Commerce Secretary Announces Allocation of \$300 Million in CARES Act Funding

[Informational Report 7:](#) *Federal Register* Notice; Executive Order 13921 of May 7, 2020: Promoting American Seafood Competitiveness and Economic Growth

[Informational Report 8:](#) FY20 Successful Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Applicants

[Informational Report 9:](#) 2019 West Coast Whale Entanglement Summary

[Informational Report 10:](#) List of Fisheries Summary Tables

[Informational Report 11:](#) Preliminary Report on the 2019 Swordfish Longline EFP Fishery Captains David Haworth and John Gibbs

[Informational Report 12:](#) Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permit Reports

[Supplemental Informational Report 13:](#) Staff Summary of Federal Legislation in the 116th Congress

[Supplemental Informational Report 14:](#) Trawl Rationalization Program Cost Recovery Annual Report Fee Calculation for 2020 and Fishing Year 2019 Payments (April 2020)

[Supplemental Informational Report 15:](#) Letter to PFMC from NMFS re: observer waivers

[Supplemental Informational Report 16:](#) Saltonstall-Kennedy Grant Program Notice of Funding Opportunity FY2021

[Supplemental Informational Report 17:](#) NOAA Fisheries Coronavirus Update

[Supplemental Informational Report 18:](#) WDFW Press Release on CARES Act

[Supplemental Informational Report 19:](#) Habitat Committee Informational Report

[Supplemental Informational Report 20:](#) NMFS Science Report Information

## VOTING LOG

**Motion 1:** Adopt [Agenda Item A.4, June 10-12 and 15-19, 2020 Council Meeting Agenda](#) with the addition of Electing Council Chair and Vice Chair as an action item.  
Marc Gorelnik/Bob Dooley (Motion 1 carried unanimously)

**Motion 2:** Council adopt the Terms of Reference as presented in [Agenda Item E.1.a, Supplemental SONCC Workgroup Report 2 \(TOR and Timeline\)](#), with the following modification:

- Replace the third bullet in [Section 1. Purpose](#) with the following language:  
assess a range of control rules including marine and freshwater fisheries combined, the marine and freshwater fisheries components, and marine fisheries only, affecting SONCC coho as appropriate, given potential data limitations, and what is feasible to accomplish within the timeline described below;

Brett Kormos/Bob Dooley (Motion 2 carried unanimously)

**Motion 3:** I move that the Council adopt the Risk Assessment on Salmon Fishery Management Plan Impacts to Southern Resident Killer Whales as presented in [Agenda Item E.2.a, SRKW Workgroup Report 1](#), as final.

Kyle Adicks/Virgil Moore (Motion 3 carried unanimously)

**Motion 4:** Council to adopt the purpose and need, scope of action, and range of alternatives for the proposed change to the preseason schedule as described in sections 2.1, 3.1, and 4.1 in [Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 2](#).

Chris Kern/Susan Bishop (Motion 4 carried unanimously)

**Motion 5:** Council adopt the alternatives described in [Agenda Item E.3, Attachment 2](#) (section 4.2 Proposed boundary change) to modify the southern boundary of the KMZ from latitude 40° 05' N (Horse Mountain, California) five miles north to latitude 40° 10' N for analysis with the following addition:

- Add a third alternative that would create a conservation zone between the current southern KMZ boundary at latitude 40° 05' N (Horse Mountain, California) and the proposed new southern KMZ boundary at latitude 40° 10' N during years when Klamath River fall-run Chinook salmon are managed under the de minimis provisions of the Klamath River fall-run Chinook salmon Control Rule.

Susan Bishop/Phil Anderson (Motion 5 carried unanimously)

**Motion 6:** Council adopt the Budget Committee recommendations labeled items 1, 2, and 3 as presented in [Agenda Item C.2.a, Supplemental Budget Committee Report 1](#).

Virgil Moore/Christa Svensson (Motion 6 carried unanimously)

**Motion 7:** Council adopt the Range of Alternatives as listed in [Agenda Item G.1.a, Supplemental CPSMT Report 2, June 2020](#); in addition the Council would request the additional analysis of a 5% constant exploitation rate of the age-1 biomass as mention in modified alternative 2 of [Supplemental CPSAS Report 1, Agenda Item G.1.a](#).

Briana Brady/Louis Zimm (Motion 7, as amended, carried unanimously)

**Motion 8:** Council adopt the following list of stocks for assessment in 2021:

- Full: vermilion/sunset rockfish off Oregon and California (data moderate or limited for Washington, as appropriate), dover sole and lingcod
- Data moderate: spiny dogfish, copper rockfish, quillback rockfish, and squarespot rockfish
- Update assessment: sablefish
- Catch Only projections: arrowtooth flounder, canary rockfish, darkblotched rockfish and petrale sole

Corey Niles/Marci Yaremko (Motion 8 carried unanimously)

**Motion 9:** Council adopt the following list of stocks as candidate for assessment in 2023, and identify the underlined stocks as preliminary priorities for assessment:

- Full: Petrale sole, black rockfish, sablefish, rougeye rockfish, shortbelly rockfish, redbanded rockfish
- Full or update: Yellowtail rockfish (north)
- Full or data moderate: Yellowtail rockfish (south), greenspotted rockfish, flathead sole
- Data Moderate: Bank rockfish, brown rockfish, starry rockfish, longspine thornyhead, shortspine thornyhead, English sole, rex sole, treefish, olive rockfish, speckled rockfish
- Update: Yelloweye rockfish

Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson (Motion 9 carried unanimously)

**Motion 10:** Council adopt the Final Terms of Reference for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species Stock Assessments for 2021-2022 as shown in [F.2, Attachment 3](#), with the following amendments:

- The correction to Appendix A to reflect review of a full benchmark assessment of the central subpopulation of northern anchovy rather than a catch-only projection review, as identified by the SSC, CPSMT, and CPSAS.
- All edits shown in strikeout/underline as reflected in [F.2, Attachment 3](#).
- Additionally, in response to advice from the CPSMT and the CPSAS, direct Council staff to schedule future development of stand-alone CPS and Groundfish Stock Assessment TORs, in order for each to be effective by 2023.

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 10 carried unanimously)

**Motion 11:** Council adopt the status quo Terms of Reference for the Methodology Review Process for the Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species, and the Terms of Reference for Groundfish Rebuilding Analyses, for use in 2021-2022.

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 11 carried unanimously)

**Motion 12:** Council adopt the final recommendations for changes to the electronic monitoring (EM) program regulations:

1. Hard Drive Deadline: increase the hard drive submission to 72 hours from the beginning of the offload.
2. Reusing Hard Drives: require EM data to be removed before reusing hard drives only if end-to-end encryption is not used.
3. Limit on Switching Between EM and Observers for Whiting: remove the limit on switching between observers and EM for whiting vessels.
4. Mothership/Catcher Vessel (MS/CV) Endorsement: remove the requirement for an MS/CV endorsement to use EM on mothership catcher vessel trips.

5. Pre-departure Test: Maintain status quo for the pre-departure test requirements as it is useful in ensuring systems are working before departure.
6. Logbook Processing: allow EM providers to receive and enter logbook information, rather than submitting to National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS).
7. Reporting Deadlines for EM Service Providers: required deadlines for EM service provider reports of technical assistance, logbook data, vessel operator feedback, EM summary and data compliance reports, and other as specified elsewhere.
8. Data retention: align data retention requirements with [NMFS Procedure 04-115-03](#) entitled Third party minimum data retention in EM programs for federally-managed U.S. fisheries.
9. Correct the reference to “a NMFS-accepted EM Service Plan” under 660.603(a)(1) to 660.603(b)(1)(vii).
10. Change the implementation date to be no earlier than January 1, 2022 in the EM Program regulations for both the electronic monitoring provider permits and responsibilities, and the vessel and first receiver responsibilities.
11. Revising regulations regarding authorized release of EM data as described under F.3.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1: revise the regulations at §660.603(n)(3) to refer to an “authorized representative of the vessel” consistent with other West Coast regulations.
12. Revising regulations defining limitations on conflicts of interest for EM service providers as described under F.3.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 1: revise the definition of a conflict of interest at §660.603(h) to exclude providing other types of technical and equipment services to fishing companies.

In addition:

- The Council recommends NMFS approve the continuation of the existing EM exempted fishing permits (EFPs), modified as necessary, until the effective date of the amended regulations. Further, the Council recommends that the EFP allow new entrants to join the extended EM EFPs for the purpose of gaining additional information to address EM issues associated with the bottom trawl fishery. And,
- The Council recommends NMFS, in consultation with the council, conduct a comprehensive review of program guidelines and manual consistent with the revised proposed rule that will reflect the proposed changes and the final procedural directive on data retention, and any other relevant directives. And,
- Assign the Executive Director of the Council to conduct a final review, deem and transmit regulations, and consult with NMFS on any necessary clarifications that are identified following the Council meeting, with the intent of expediting publication of the proposed rule as soon as possible.

Phil Anderson/Bob Dooley (Motion 12 carried unanimously)

**Motion 13:** Council confirm 2021-2022 harvest specifications and harvest control rules for all groundfish stocks and stock complexes from April 2020 as shown in [Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 7, June 2020](#) (Action Item 1), except shortbelly rockfish.

Heather Hall/Rich Lincoln (Motion 13 carried unanimously)

**Motion 14:** Council adopt final recommendations for all 2021-2022 EFPs ([Year-Round Coastwide Midwater Rockfish EFP](#), [CDFW 2021-2022 EFP](#), [Yellowtail Rockfish Jig Fishing off California/Platt EFP](#), [Commercial Hook-and-Line Rockfish in RCA off Oregon/Cook](#), [WDFW Enhanced Yelloweye Recreation Fishery Biological Sampling](#) and, [Monterey Bay Regional](#)

[EFP Targeting Chilipepper Rockfish/Real Good Fish](#)) and the associated set-asides as shown in [Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, Table 1](#).

Heather Hall/Marci Yaremko (Motion 14 carried unanimously)

**Motion 15:** Council adopt the following Management measures as presented in [Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2](#), Appendix 2:

- Off-the-top deductions for research and IOA and a monthly landing limit of 500 pounds of yellowtail rockfish in the salmon troll fishery north of 40° 10' N. lat., as long as salmon are included in the landing but that does not include a salmon to yellowtail landing ration (Action Item 3 IOA/research),
- An ACT of 50 mt for cowcod south of 40° 10' N. lat. (Action Item 5),
- HGs for species managed in a complex (Action Item 6),
- Two-year trawl/non-trawl allocations and two-year canary rockfish allocation (Action Item 7),
- Convert the trawl/non-trawl allocations for petrale sole, widow rockfish, and lingcod south of 40° 10' N. lat., slope rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat., including blackgill rockfish to two-year allocations using PPA methods (Action Item 8),
- At-sea whiting set asides (Action Item 9),
- Within non-trawl HGs, ACTs, or shares of LEFG/OA and recreational sectors (Action Item 10),
- Shorebased IFQ trip limits for big skates and blackgill rockfish (Action Item 12),
- LEFG/OA trip limits and removal of the flatfish gear restriction within the non-trawl RCA south of 42° N. lat. and establishing 50 lbs. per month shortspine thornyhead and 50 lbs. per month longspine thornyhead trip limit north of 34° 27' N. lat. (Action Item 13), and
- Management measures for recreational fisheries as recommended by WDFW and ODFW and presented in their reports; WDFW, [Agenda Item F.1.a, Supplemental WDFW Report 1, June 2020](#) and; ODFW, [Agenda Item F.1.a, ODFW Report 1](#); (Action Items 14 and 15).

Heather Hall/Louis Zimm (Motion 15, as amended, carried unanimously)

**Motion 16:** Council adopt the preliminary preferred alternative from the April 2020 Council Meeting as final preferred alternative for treaty set-asides, harvest guidelines, and allocations. These set-asides, harvest guidelines, and allocations are consistent with [G.6.a, Supplemental Tribal Report 1, April 2020](#).

Joe Oatman/Bob Dooley (Motion 16 carried unanimously)

**Motion 17:** Council adopt the following change to the commercial nontrawl Rockfish Conservation Area between 40° 10' N. latitude and 46° 16' N. latitude (the Oregon-Washington border):

- Between the 30 fathom and 40 fathom management lines, allow fishing with hook-and-line gear except bottom longline and dinglebar, as defined in Federal regulation at 50 CFR § 660.11 - General definitions.

Maggie Sommer/Brad Pettinger (Motion 17 carried unanimously)

**Motion 18:** Council adopt the Final Preferred Alternative for minor line adjustments to Rockfish Conservation Area boundaries for waters south of 40° 10' N. latitude, consistent with all recommendations in [Agenda Item H.8.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 1, November 2019](#):

RCA Coordinate Updates (described in Action Item 2)

1. RCA waypoint additions to the 40-fathom line off central CA
2. RCA waypoint additions and corrections to the 100-fathom line south of Pt. Conception

Recreational (Described in Action Item 2 – Area Management; and Action Item 16 CA Recreational):

1. Mendocino Groundfish Management Area (Cape Mendocino to Point Arena): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (May through October) from 20 to 30 fathoms.
2. San Francisco Groundfish Management Area (Point Arena to Pigeon Point): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (April through December) from 40 to 50 fathoms.
3. Southern Groundfish Management Area (Point Conception to the U.S. – Mexico border): Increase the allowable depth during the open season (March through December) from 75 to 100 fathoms.

Commercial (Described in Action Item 2 – Area Management):

1. Implement a new management line at 38° 57.5' N. lat., (Point Arena) for purposes of defining RCA boundaries.
2. In the area between 38° 57.5' and 34° 27' N. lat., (Point Arana to Point Conception): Increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 40 to 50 fathoms. [NOTE: The shoreward RCA depth between 40° 10' N. lat. and 38° 57.5' N. lat. would remain unchanged; at 40 fathoms.]
3. From 34° 27' N. lat. (Point Conception) to the U.S.-Mexico border: Increase the depth of the shoreward RCA boundary from 75 fathoms to 100 fathoms.

Marci Yaremko/ (Motion 18 carried unanimously)

**Motion 19:** Council adopt California Recreational Management Measures and Season structures as described in [Agenda Item G.6.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 2, April 2020](#) (Includes all non-RCA items in Action Item 16 – California Recreational)

- The same season structure as in 2019-2020
- The following modifications to the 10 fish Rockfish/Cabazon/Greenling aggregate bag limit:
  - Eliminate the sub-bag limit for Cabazon/Black rockfish and canary rockfish.
  - Establish a sub-bag limit for vermilion at 5 fish.

Marci Yaremko/Louis Zimm (Motion 19 carried unanimously)

**Motion 20:** Council reclassify shortbelly rockfish as an ecosystem component species in the Groundfish Fishery Management Plan. The ecosystem component designation would still allow the Council and NMFS to monitor and manage the species and, in a timely manner, determine whether Federal management is needed per the NS1 guidelines. If catches exceed 2,000 mt in a calendar year the Council will investigate changes in stock, stock abundance, fishing behavior, marketability, or other factors and reconsider EC species designation. The Council may also recommend other management measures for shortbelly rockfish that meet the Council's ecosystem objectives in the FEP. Other management measures may include (but not limited to) area closures, gear prohibitions, bycatch limits, seasonal closures, permits, etc.

Heather Hall/Pete Hassemmer (Motion 20 carried; Ms. Yaremko and Mr. Gorelnik voted no)

**Motion 21:** Council adopt option 2 trip limits in [Agenda Item F.4.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, June 2020](#).

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 21 carried unanimously)

**Motion 22:** Council appoint Mr. David McGowen to the vacant Northern Charter Boat Operator position on the Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel formerly held by Ms. Linda Buell.

Corey Niles/Rich Lincoln (Motion 22 carried unanimously)

**Motion 23:** Council appoint Dr. Xi He to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Groundfish Management Team formerly held by Dr. Andrew Thompson and appoint Dr. Matthew Craig to the Southwest Fisheries Science Center position on the Highly Migratory Species Management Team formerly held by Mr. James Carretta.

Ryan Wulff/Rich Lincoln (Motion 23 carried unanimously)

**Motion 24:** Council elect Mr. Marc Gorelnik as the Council Chair for the August 11, 2020 through August 10, 2021 term.

Marci Yaremko/Bob Dooley (Motion 24 carried unanimously)

**Motion 25:** Council elect Mr. Brad Pettinger as the Council Vice-Chair for the August 11, 2020 through August 10, 2021 term.

Maggie Sommer/Virgil Moore (Motion 25 carried unanimously)

**Motion 26:** Council approve the March 2020 meeting record as shown in [C.3, Attachment 1: Draft Council Meeting Record: 253rd Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council \(March 3-9, 2020\)](#) and the April 2020 meeting record as shown in [C.3, Attachment 2: Draft Council Meeting Record: 254th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council \(April 4-10, 2020\)](#).

Virgil Moore/Pete Hassemer (Motion 26 carried unanimously)

## ADJOURN

The Council meeting adjourned on Friday, June 19, 2020 at 3:37 p.m.

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Marc Gorelnik  
Council Chair

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Date