

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 Officers, Members, and Designees

As of August 11, 2020, the terms of new and reappointed members took effect as did the results of the Council's election of new officers.

Outgoing Vice-Chair Marc Gorelnik began his first term as Chair succeeding outgoing Chair Phil Anderson and Mr. Brad Pettinger began his first term as Vice Chair.

The Department of Commerce announced the [2020 appointments to the Regional Fishery Management Councils](#) in June. Regarding the Pacific Council, Vice Chair Brad Pettinger was reappointed to an At-Large position for a second three-year term and Mr. Butch Smith was appointed to his first term in the Washington Obligatory seat formally held by Mr. Rich Lincoln who completed his third and final three-year term.

Standing Council Member Committees and Representatives to Other Forums

The change in Council Officers results in Chair Gorelnik replacing Mr. Phil Anderson on the Budget Committee which, in-turn, left Washington without a required Budget Committee representative. After consulting with Mr. Anderson and the Council, Chair Gorelnik has appointed Mr. Anderson to the Budget Committee to avoid a vacancy and have full representation at the September Budget Committee meeting.

Mr. Rich Lincoln was designated as the Pacific Council Chair's representative and subsequently appointed by the State Department as an Alternate U.S. Commissioner to the North Pacific Fisheries Commission beginning May 30, 2018 and effective until "*another Alternate or presidentially-appointed Commissioner is appointed to fulfill the relevant duties.*"¹ The Council may discuss Mr. Lincoln's successor and discuss plans for the interim. Mr. Lincoln also served as a member of the Legislative Committee, the ad hoc Climate Scenarios Investigation Workgroup, and ad hoc Climate and Communities Core Team. Mr. Lincoln as expressed interest in continuing on the ad hoc committees working on climate issues and, per Council Operating Procedure 1, the Council is scheduled to review Legislative Committee membership to account for possible turnover in Council membership.

¹ May 30, 2018 Letter of Appointment as an Alternate Commissioner to the North Pacific Fisheries Commission to Mr. Lincoln, from Principal Deputy Assistant Secretary Garber, U.S. Department of State.

Council Advisory Body Appointments

Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS)

Ms. Gillian Lyons has announced that she will resign her conservation position on the CPSAS after the November 2020 Council meeting after serving in this capacity for five years. The Council will discuss the pending vacancy and will likely solicit nominations for a replacement between the September and November Council meetings.

Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel (EAS)

The Council solicited nominations for a vacant Washington position on the EAS. Dr. Phillip Levin, Professor of Practice at the University of Washington's School of Marine and Environmental Affairs and School of Environmental and Forest Sciences and the Lead Scientist for the Nature Conservancy of Washington, has nominated himself for this position (Closed Session Agenda Item A.1, Attachment 1).

Enforcement Consultants (EC)

Captain Robert Puccinelli announced his retirement from the California Department of Fish and Wildlife (CDFW) effective July 31, 2020. Captain Puccinelli served on the EC for over six years and was an original member of the Ad Hoc Groundfish Electronic Monitoring Technical Advisory Committee (GEMTAC). The Council anticipates that CDFW will appoint a new consultant in the near future and will likely discuss GEMTAC representation at that time.

Habitat Committee (HC)

Mr. Noah Oppenheim has resigned his Commercial Fishery position on the Habitat Committee effective after the September 2020 Council meeting. The Council is soliciting nominations for this position through August 31. As of the posting of the September Briefing Book, Ms. Liz Hamilton and the Northwest Sportfishing Industry Association has nominated Mr. Jeff Feldner for this position. Mr. Feldner is a long-time Oregon commercial fisherman and a former member of the Council and the Salmon Advisory Subpanel (Closed Session Agenda Item A.1, Attachment 2). Additional nominations received by August 31 will be included in the supplemental materials.

Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) West Coast Region has nominated Ms. Amber Rhodes to replace Mr. Lyle Enriquez as one of their two representatives on the HMSMT (Closed Session Agenda Item A.1, Attachment 3). The Scientific and Statistical Committee will review this nomination and report to the Council under Closed Session.

Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS)

The Council solicited nominations for the Washington Charter Boat Operator position vacated by Mr. Butch Smith when he joined the Council. Mr. Michael Sawin, a charter boat captain out of Westport Washington and a member of the Westport Charterboat Association, was nominated by himself and the Westport Charterboat Association for this position. (Closed Session Agenda Item A.1, Attachment 3).

Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

The Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife has nominated Dr. Fabio Caltabellotta to fill the ODFW position on the Scientific and Statistical Committee formally held by Dr. David Sampson.

Dr. Caltabellotta is a Postdoctoral Scholar at Oregon State University's College of Agricultural Sciences (Closed Session Agenda Item A.1, Attachment 4). The Scientific and Statistical Committee will review this nomination and report to the Council under Closed Session.

Council Operating Procedures

Several Council Advisory Body positions are limited to three-year terms (SSC at-large positions; HC tribal, industry, conservation, and at-large positions; and all Advisory Subpanel positions). Every three years, as guided by [Council Operating Procedure 9](#), Schedule 6, the Council reviews the compositions of these Advisory Bodies, solicits nominations, and fills the positions for the next term. The Council last completed this process in November of 2018 for the current 2019-2021 term. At that time, the Council recommended that this process occur in a three-meeting process (June, September, November) rather than the currently stipulated two-meeting process (September, November) to allow for more input into the consideration of advisory body composition.

Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 1 represents a Council staff proposal to implement this new approach under which, every three years, the Council would:

1. in June, review the composition of all term-limited Advisory Body positions and adopt proposed changes for public review,
2. in September, adopt final compositions term-limited Advisory Body positions and request nominations for the next term, and
3. in November, appoint the membership of the term-limited Advisory Body positions for three-year terms beginning January 1.

Council Action:

- 1. Consider adopting the proposed changes to COP 9.**
- 2. Discuss any additional changes or additions to the COPs or SOPPs.**
- 3. Consider any appointment and membership issues.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 1: Proposed Changes to COP 9, Schedule 6, Annual Administrative Management Cycle and Activities.
2. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 1: Levin, EAS Nomination.
3. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 2: Feldner, HC Nomination.
4. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 3: Rhodes, HMSMT.
5. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 4: Sawin, SAS Nomination.
6. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 5: Caltabellotta, SSC Nomination.

Agenda Order:

- C.6 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures Mike Burner
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures, As Necessary

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