



257th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
November 9-10, 12-13, & 16-20, 2020

Meeting by Webinar Only

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Schedule of Ancillary Meetings begins on page 8

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings beginning on page 8 for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions.

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The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda. However, please note that the timing—including the day—of the agenda items may change based on the time required for prior agenda items, and the order may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Council Action descriptions to adopt imply consideration to adopt; adoption is not mandatory.

Nov. 9-10 & 12	Friday Nov. 13	Sat. & Sun. Nov. 14-15	Monday Nov. 16	Tuesday Nov. 17	Wednesday Nov. 18	Thursday Nov. 19	Friday Nov. 20
Advisory Bodies will meet Mon., Tues., and Thurs. No meetings scheduled for Veterans Day, Wed., Nov. 11. A listing of meeting times begins on page 8.	Closed Session	No Advisory Body or Council Meetings	Salmon	Groundfish	Groundfish	Highly Migratory Species	Administrative
	Call to Order						
	Open Comment						
	Administrative		Pacific Halibut	Coastal Pelagic Species	Administrative		
	Habitat						
Pacific Halibut							



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Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Friday, November 13, 2020

General Council Session
Meeting by Webinar

8:00 a.m. Closed Executive Session

This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

9 a.m.

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Marc Gorelnik, Chair |
| A.2 | Roll Call | Chuck Tracy |
| A.3 | Executive Director's Report | Chuck Tracy |
| A.4 | Agenda | Marc Gorelnik |
| a. | Council Action: Approve Agenda | |

B. Open Comment Period

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| B.1 | Comments on Non-Agenda Items | Chuck Tracy |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Discussion and Comments, as Appropriate | |

C. Administrative Matters

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| C.1 | Council Coordination Committee Meeting Report | Chuck Tracy |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Action: Consider Report on the Council Coordination Committee Meeting | |
| C.2 | National Marine Fisheries Service Report | |
| a. | Report on West Coast Regional Priorities | Barry Thom |
| b. | Report on Recusal Provisions | Maggie Smith |
| c. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| d. | Public Comment | |
| e. | Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate | |

Friday, November 13, 2020 - continued

D. Habitat Issues

- D.1 Current Habitat Issues Jennifer Gilden
a. Report of the Habitat Committee Lance Hebdon
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Consider Habitat Committee Report and Recommendations

E. Pacific Halibut Management

- E.1 2021 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulations – Final Action Robin Ehlke
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final 2021 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulation Changes
- E.2 Transition of Area 2A Fishery Management – Final Action Robin Ehlke
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred Alternatives for Transitioning Area 2A Management from the International Pacific Halibut Commission to the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Pacific Fishery Management Council

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED NOVEMBER 14-15, 2020

Monday, November 16, 2020

8 a.m. Meeting by Webinar

- A. Call to Order (reconvene)** Marc Gorelnik
A.5 Commencing Remarks Chuck Tracy

F. Salmon Management

- F.1 2021 Preseason Management Schedule Robin Ehlke
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final 2021 Preseason Management Schedule
- F.2 Southern Resident Killer Whale
Endangered Species Act Consultation – Final Action Robin Ehlke
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Preferred Alternative

Monday, November 16, 2020 - continued

F. Salmon Management (continued)

- F.3 Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast Coho Endangered Species Act (ESA) Consultation Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Risk Assessment Update and Development of a Range of Alternatives

E. Pacific Halibut Management (continued)

- E.3 Non-Indian Commercial-Directed Fishery Regulations for 2021 Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations for the 2021 Season Structure of the Area 2A Non-Treaty Commercial Directed Pacific Halibut Fishery for IPHC Consideration

Tuesday, November 17, 2020

8 a.m. *Meeting by Webinar*

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

Marc Gorelnik

A.6 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management

- G.1 Gear Switching for Sablefish in the Trawl Catch Share Fishery Jim Seger
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Provide Guidance, as Necessary

Wednesday, November 18, 2020

8 a.m. *Meeting by Webinar*

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

Marc Gorelnik

A.7 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

- G.2 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Todd Phillips
- a. Regulatory Activities Ryan Wulff
 - b. Fisheries Science Center Activities
 - c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

- G.3 Inseason Adjustments for 2020 and 2021 Including Pacific Whiting Set-Asides for 2021 – Final Action Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments for 2020 and 2021, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives, and Adopt Pacific Whiting Yield Set-Asides for 2021
- G.4 Sablefish Management Strategy Evaluation Update John DeVore
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review the Management Strategy Evaluation and Provide Guidance, as Necessary
- G.5 Assessment Methodology Review – Final Action John DeVore
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Methodologies for Stock Assessments

H. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

- H.1 Preliminary Review of New Exempted Fishing Permits for 2021 Kerry Griffin
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary EFPs for Public Review
- H.2 Methodology Review Topic Selection Kerry Griffin
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Approve Topics for Review in 2021
- H.3 Comments on Court Ordered Rulemaking on Harvest Specifications for the Central Subpopulation of Northern Anchovy Kerry Griffin
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Develop Comments to NMFS on Court Ordered Rulemaking on Harvest Specifications for the Central Subpopulation of Northern Anchovy, as Necessary

8 a.m.

Meeting by Webinar

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

Marc Gorelnik

A.8 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

I. Highly Migratory Species Management

I.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report

Kit Dahl

a. Regulatory Activities

Ryan Wulff

b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate

I.2 Recommend International Management Activities

Kit Dahl

a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions at Upcoming Meetings of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission and Other Forums, as Appropriate

I.3 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures

Kit Dahl

a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt Available Stock Status Determination Criteria; Consider the Need to Develop Annual Catch Limits or Other Harvest Objectives and/or Management Measures

I.4 Drift Gillnet Fishery Hard Caps Update

Kit Dahl

a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Review NMFS Report on the Response to Comments on the Final Rule and a Range of Viable Rulemaking Measures for Council Consideration

C. Administrative Matters (*continued*)

C.3 Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology

Brett Wiedoff

a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Review Fishery Management Plans for Consistency with the Final Rule and Consider Need for Further Action

C.4 Legislative Matters

Jennifer Gilden

a. Report of the Legislative Committee

Dave Hanson

b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Consider Legislative Committee Report and Recommendations

Thursday, November 19, 2020 - continued

C. Administrative Matters (continued)

- C.5 Fiscal Matters Patricia Crouse
 - a. Report of the Budget Committee Pete Hassemer
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Consider Budget Committee Report and Recommendations
- C.6 Approval of Council Meeting Record Marc Gorelnik
 - a. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Record

Friday, November 20, 2020

8 a.m. **Meeting by Webinar**

A. Call to Order (If Necessary)

- A.9 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Chuck Tracy

C. Administrative Matters (continued)

- C.7 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
- C.8 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning Chuck Tracy
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

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257TH SESSION OF THE PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**NOVEMBER 9-10, 12-13, & 16-20, 2020****SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS*****The Council Secretariat will be open 8 am to 5 pm November 9-10, 12-13, & 16-20, 2020*****Day 1—Monday, November 9, 2020**

	Time	How to Attend
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website

Day 2—Tuesday, November 10, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
Habitat Committee	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website

No Meetings Scheduled on Veterans Day, Wednesday, November 11, 2020**Day 3—Thursday, November 12, 2020**

	Time	How to Attend
Enforcement Consultants	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Legislative Committee	10:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website

Day 4—Friday, November 13, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

No Meetings Scheduled for Saturday, November 14 or Sunday, November 15, 2020

Day 5—Monday, November 16, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 6—Tuesday, November 17, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 7—Wednesday, November 18, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 8—Thursday, November 19, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 9—Friday, November 20, 2020

	Time	How to Attend
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact CDFW
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact ODFW
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Contact WDFW

PROPOSED PACIFIC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA, NOVEMBER 9-10, 12-13 & 16-20, 2020 VIA WEBINAR

Time estimates are approximate and not reliable for planning attendance or participation. Agenda Items may be cancelled or rescheduled under agenda approval at the meeting's onset and/or as the meeting progresses.

Acronyms	Fri, Nov. 13	Nov. 14-15	Mon, Nov. 16	Tues, Nov. 17	Wed, Nov. 18	Thurs, Nov. 19	Fri, Nov. 20		
<p><i>CNSA: Central Subpopulation of Northern Anchovy</i> <i>CCC: Council Coordination Committee</i> <i>COP: Council Operating Procedures</i> <i>EC: Enforcement Consultants</i> <i>ED: Executive Director</i> <i>ESA: Endangered Species Act</i> <i>FPA: Final Preferred Alternative(s)</i> <i>GAP/GMT: Groundfish Advisory Subpanel /Mgmt. Team</i> <i>HC: Habitat Committee</i> <i>HMSAS/MT: HMS Advisory Subpanel/Mgmt. Team</i> <i>LC: Legislative Committee</i> <i>MSE: Management Strategy Evaluation</i> <i>NMFS: National Marine Fisheries Service</i> <i>ROA: Range of Alternatives</i> <i>SAS/STT: Salmon Advisory Subpanel/Technical Team</i> <i>SSC: Scientific and Statistical Committee</i> <i>WCR: West Coast Region</i></p>	<p>CLOSED SESSION 8 AM Discuss Litigation & Personnel Matters (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p>A. CALL TO ORDER 9 AM 1-4. Opening Remarks, Roll Call, ED Report, Approve Agenda (30 min)</p> <hr/> <p>B. OPEN COMMENT 1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p>C. ADMINISTRATIVE 1. CCC Meeting Report (30 min) 2. NMFS Report (30 min)</p> <hr/> <p>D. HABITAT 1. Habitat Issues (1 hr)</p> <hr/> <p>E. PACIFIC HALIBUT 1. Area 2A Catch Sharing Plan and Regs. - Final (30 min) 2. Area 2A Fishery Transition – Final Preferred Alternative (FPA) (1 hr)</p>	<p>NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR SAT. OR SUN.</p>	<p>F. SALMON 1. Preseason Management Schedule for 2021 (30 min) 2. Southern Resident Killer Whale ESA Consultation – FPA (2 hr) 3. Southern OR/Northern CA Coastal Coho ESA Consultation – Risk Assessment Update and ROA Development (1 hr 30 min)</p> <hr/> <p>E. PACIFIC HALIBUT 3. 2021 Directed Comm. Fishery: Recommendations to the International Pacific Halibut Commission - Final (2 hr 30 min)</p>	<p>G. GROUND FISH 1. Sablefish Gear Switching in the Trawl Catch Share Fishery – ROA (6 hr)</p>	<p>G. GROUND FISH 2. NMFS Report (1 hr 30 min) 3. 2020-2021 Inseason Adjustments; Including 2021 Whiting Set Asides - Final Action (2 hr 30 min) 4. Sablefish MSE Update (1 hr) 5. Assessment Methodology Review – Final (30 min)</p> <hr/> <p>H. COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES 1. Exempted Fishing Permits - Preliminary (30 min) 2. Methodology Review: Topic Selection (30 min) 3. Comments on CSNA Court-Ordered Rulemaking (1 hr 30 min)</p>	<p>I. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES 1. NMFS Report (30 min) 2. Recommend International Mgt. Activities (1 hr) 3. Biennial Harvest Specifications and Management Measures (1 hr 30 min) 4. Drift Gillnet Fishery Hard Caps (2 hr)</p> <hr/> <p>C. ADMINISTRATIVE 3. Standardized Bycatch Reporting – Prelim. Review (1hr) 4. Legislative Matters (15 min) 5. Fiscal Matters (15 min) 6. Approve Council Mtg. Record (15 min)</p>	<p>C. ADMINISTRATIVE 7. Membership Appointments & COPs (1 hr) 8. Future Council Meeting Agenda & Workload Planning (3 hr)</p>		
	Mon, Nov. 9								
	8 am SAS & STT								
	Tues, Nov. 10								
	8 am HC 8 am SAS								
	WED, Nov. 11 VETERANS DAY NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED								
	Thurs, Nov. 12		6 hr		6.5 hr	6 hr	8 hr	6.75 hr	4 hr
	8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am SSC 8 am EC 10 am LC		7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am SSC Ad Hoc EC		7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am CPSAS & CPSMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am CPSAS & CPSMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat