## COUNCIL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING REPORT

The 2020 Council Coordination Committee (CCC) annual meeting was hosted via webinar by the Western Pacific Fishery Management Council, September 23-24, 2020. The meeting agenda is shown in Agenda Item C.1, Attachment 1. Briefing and presentation materials for the CCC meeting are available electronically on the <u>U.S. Regional Fisheries Management Councils web page</u>.

Chair, Mr. Marc Gorelnik; Vice-Chair, Mr. Brad Pettinger; Executive Director, Mr. Chuck Tracy; and Deputy Director, Mr. Mike Burner attended on behalf of the Council, and Mr. Ryan Wulff represented the National Marine Fisheries Service West Coast Region.

The CCC discussed a number of issues of national importance, including Executive Order 13921, new National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) regulations, and a new rule on Council member financial disclosure and recusal. The regional councils will be forming a CCC Subcommittee to make recommendations to NMFS in developing guidance on the new NEPA rule, including determining and implementing the functional equivalency provision, which would address current duplication in Magnuson-Stevens Act and NEPA requirements. NOAA General Counsel will brief the Council on the new recusal rule under Agenda Item C.2. Other outcomes of the CCC meeting of note are contained in Attachment 2.

## **Council Action:**

## Discussion and Guidance on CCC Issues, as Appropriate.

### Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item C.1, Attachment 1: Final Agenda, Council Coordination Committee Meeting, September 23-24, 2020
- 2. Agenda Item C.1, Attachment 2: CCC News Release.
- 3. If Received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see e-portal).

# Agenda Order:

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

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