

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) West Coast Region will provide updates on region-wide priorities and policies under this agenda item. Updates specific to the groundfish and the highly migratory species fishery management plans will occur under Agenda Items G.2 and Agenda Item I.1, respectively.

Under this Agenda Item, Mr. Barry Thom, the NMFS West Coast Regional Administrator, is scheduled to report on regional priorities for 2021. Additionally, Ms. Maggie Smith, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Agency General Counsel, is scheduled to provide the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) with an overview of Federal regulations regarding Council member financial disclosure and recusal matters (Agenda Item C.2, Attachment 1).

Council Action:

Discussion and guidance, as appropriate.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.2, Attachment 1, *Federal Register* Notice, Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act Provisions; Regional Fishery Management Council Membership; Financial Disclosure and Recusal.
2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

Agenda Order:

- C.2 National Marine Fisheries Service Report
 - a. Report on West Coast Regional Priorities
 - b. Report on Recusal Provisions
 - c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - d. Public Comment
 - e. Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate

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