

LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT ON LEGISLATIVE MATTERS

The Legislative Committee (LC) met on Monday, June 21, 2021. All Committee members were present.

The LC first heard a staff review of recent Federal legislation (Agenda Item C.7, Attachment 1). The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) has not received any requests for comment on legislation at this time. Committee members discussed concerns related to bills promoting offshore wind energy, and the effects of offshore wind projects on fish surveys, stock assessments, and the fishing industry. Current bills that encourage offshore wind energy projects include HR 3764, the Ocean-Based Climate Solutions Act (introduced), Oregon HB 3375 (awaiting Governor's signature), and California HB 575 (in progress).

Future Meetings

The LC recommends that they meet again at the upcoming September Council meeting.

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