MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

During this agenda item, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (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 Staff

Mr. Chuck Tracy, Council Executive Director has announced his planned retirement effective no later than December 31, 2021. The Council is anticipated to discuss the recruitment materials under Closed Session and announce recruitment and transition plans under this agenda item.

Council Officers, Members, and Designees

The Council received a letter from Commander T.C. Evans of the United States Coast Guard (USCG) informing the Council of changes to Rear Admiral Vogt's designees (Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 1). Lieutenant Commander Scott McGrew will remain RADM Vogt's first designee, Lieutenant Lelea Lingo will become his second designee, and Mr. Chris German will be his third designee. Mr. German and LT Lingo will also serve as USCG Enforcement Consultants.

Election of Council Chair and Vice Chairs

The Council is slated to elect officers at this meeting. Council Operating Procedure (COP) 1 provides for election of Council officers as follows:

The Chair and up to two Vice Chairs of the Council shall be elected by majority vote of Council members present and voting. Generally, elections are held during the June Council meeting. Officers shall serve one-year terms, which commence August 11 and end August 10 of the following year. Appointments may be renewed for additional one-year terms by majority Council vote at the next June meeting. The Chair may not serve more than two consecutive one-year terms.

Mr. Marc Gorelnik and Mr. Brad Pettinger are in their first term as Council Chair and Vice Chair.

Council Advisory Body Appointments

The National Marine Fisheries Service has nominated Ms. Abbie Moyer to replace Ms. Gretchen Hanshew on the Groundfish Management Team and Mr. Dan Lawson to represent the West Coast Region on the Groundfish Endangered Species Workgroup (Closed Session A.3, Attachment 1). The Scientific and Statistical Committee will review these nominations and report to the Council under Closed Session.

Council Operating Procedures and the 2022-2024 Advisory Body Term

The current three-year Advisory Body term ends December 31, 2021. The June meeting is the first of three Council sessions planned under COP 9 to address appointments for the 2022-2024 term. Every third year in June, the Council is scheduled to review the composition of all term-limited Advisory Body positions (SSC at-large positions; HC tribal, industry, conservation, and at-large positions; and all Advisory Subpanel positions) and adopt proposed changes for public review. The Council may also review and discuss other Advisory Body compositions in June, as needed. Every third year in September, the Council adopts final changes to Advisory Body compositions and solicits nominations for final consideration and appointments for the next term at the November Council meeting.

To assist the Council discussion of Advisory Body composition, Council staff has summarized the membership of the term-limited positions and included a few points for discussion (Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 2). Additionally, the Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel discussed their composition earlier in the year and provided a short report to the Council regarding tribal representation (Agenda Item C.9.a, EAS Report 1). Should the Council choose to further discuss other membership or Advisory Body issues, Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 3 includes the full text of COPs 1 through 8 (*electronic only*). The <u>full suite of COPs</u> is posted on the Council webpage.

Council Action:

- 1. Discuss potential changes or additions to the COPs or SOPPs.
- 2. Consider any appointment and membership issues.

Reference Materials:

- 1. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 1: Draft Executive Director Recruitment Announcement and Position Description.
- 2. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 2: Proposed Options for the Recruitment and Hiring of the Next Executive Director.
- 3. Closed Session A.3, Attachment 1: NMFS Nomination Materials; Moyer, Groundfish Management Team and Lawson, Groundfish Endangered Species Workgroup.
- 4. Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 1: USCG Letter Regarding Council Designees and Enforcement Consultants.
- 5. Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 2: Summary of Term-Limited Advisory Body Compositions.
- 6. Agenda Item C.9, Attachment 3: Council Operating Procedures 1-8 (*Electronic Only*).
- 7. Agenda Item C.9.a, EAS Report 1.
- 8. If received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

- C.9 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
- Mike Burner
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. Council Action: Adopt Proposed Changes to Advisory Body Compositions for Public Review, Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; and Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

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