



261st Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
September 8-11 and 13-15, 2021

Meeting by Webinar Only

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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.

Wednesday Sept 8	Thursday Sept 9	Friday Sept 10	Saturday Sept 11	Sunday Sept 12	Monday Sept 13	Tuesday Sept 14	Wednesday Sept 15
Advisory Bodies will meet Weds. A listing of meeting times begins on page 8.	Closed Session	Groundfish	Highly Migratory Species	No Advisory Body or Council Meetings	Pacific Halibut	Habitat	Administrative
	Call to Order		Administrative		Groundfish	Groundfish	
	Open Comment						
	Groundfish		Salmon				



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Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Thursday, September 9, 2021

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.

10 a.m.

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Marc Gorelnik, Chair |
| A.2 | Council Member Appointments | Barry Thom |
| A.3 | Roll Call | Chuck Tracy |
| A.4 | Executive Director's Report | Chuck Tracy |
| A.5 | 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. Groundfish Management

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| C.1 | 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 | |
| C.2 | Stock Assessment Methodology Review | John DeVore |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Action: Adopt Final Topics for Review | |
| C.3 | Pacific Whiting Utilization in the At-Sea Sectors | Brett Wiedoff |
| a. | Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| b. | Public Comment | |
| c. | Council Action: Adopt a Range of Alternatives and a Preliminary Preferred Alternative, as Appropriate | |

Friday, September 10, 2021

8 a.m. *Meeting by Webinar*

- A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)** Marc Gorelnik
A.6 Commencing Remarks Chuck Tracy
- C. Groundfish Management (*continued*)**
- C.4 Electronic Monitoring – Final Action Brett Wiedoff
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Potential Final Action on Delaying Implementation and Extending Exempted Fishing Permits; Provide Additional Guidance on Program Implementation, as Appropriate
- C.5 Sablefish Gear Switching Jim Seger
(Part 1 - C.5.a and C.5.b on Friday, then continue Tuesday with C.5.c)
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Provide Other Guidance, as Appropriate

Saturday, September 11, 2021

8 a.m. *Meeting by Webinar*

- A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)** Marc Gorelnik
A.7 Commencing Remarks Chuck Tracy
- D. Highly Migratory Species Management**
- D.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Kit Dahl
- a. Regulatory Activities Lyle Enriquez
 - 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
- D.2 International Management Activities Kit Dahl
- a. Report on the Joint Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission-Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission – Northern Committee Working Group on the Management of Pacific Bluefin Tuna Dorothy Lowman
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions at Upcoming Meetings and Other Forums, as Appropriate
- D.3 Exempted Fishing Permits Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations on Exempted Fishing Permit Applications

Saturday, September 11, 2021 - continued

E. Administrative Matters

- E.1 Marine Planning Kerry Griffin
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review Recent Activity, Provide Comments to the Bureau of Ocean Energy and Management on Wind Energy Planning Activities, and Provide Guidance on a Process and Schedule for Future Council Engagement

F. Salmon Management

- F.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Robin Ehlke
 - a. Regulatory Activities Susan Bishop
 - 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
- F.2 Methodology Review - Final Topic Selection Robin Ehlke
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Identify Priority Projects for Review in 2021
- F.3 Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast Coho Endangered Species Act Consultation Robin Ehlke
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review the Risk Assessment and Range of Alternatives and Adopt a Preliminary Preferred Alternative Harvest Control Rule, as Appropriate

NO MEETINGS SCHEDULED SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 12, 2021

Monday, September 13, 2021

8 a.m. *Meeting by Webinar*

- A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)** Marc Gorelnik
 - A.8 Commencing Remarks Chuck Tracy

G. Pacific Halibut Management

- G.1 2022 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulations Robin Ehlke
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Proposed 2022 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulation Changes for Public Review
- G.2 Commercial-Directed Fishery Regulations for 2022 Robin Ehlke
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Proposed 2022 Regulation Changes for Public Review

Monday, September 13, 2021 - continued

C. Groundfish Management (continued)

- C.6 Adopt Stock Assessments John DeVore
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Stock Assessments for 2023 and Beyond

H. Ecosystem Management

- H.1 Fishery Ecosystem Plan Five-Year Review Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review a Revised Draft Fishery Ecosystem Plan and Provide Guidance
- H.2 Climate and Communities Initiative Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Outcomes of the Fishery Ecosystem Plan Climate and Community Initiative, Provide Guidance on the Development of Related Future Activities, and Identify Related Candidate Initiatives

Tuesday, September 14, 2021

8 a.m.

Meeting by Webinar

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

- A.9 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Chuck Tracy

I. Habitat Issues

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

C. Groundfish Management (continued)

- C.7 Inseason Adjustments – 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 2021, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives

Tuesday, September 14, 2021 - continued

C. Groundfish Management (continued)

- C.8 Initial Harvest Specifications and Management Measure
Actions for 2023-2024 Management Todd Phillips, John DeVore
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Overfishing Limits, a Range of P*/Acceptable Biological Catches, and Annual Catch Limits for Stocks that may Depart from Default Harvest Control Rules; Adopt a Preliminary List of Potential Management Measures Necessary to Implement Harvest Specifications to be Included in the 2023-2024 Regulation Process
- C.5 Sablefish Gear Switching - (Part 2 - *Continued from Friday*) Jim Seger
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Provide Other Guidance, as Appropriate

Wednesday, September 15, 2021

8 a.m.

Meeting by Webinar

A. Call to Order (If Necessary)

Marc Gorelnik

A.10 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

E. Administrative Matters (continued)

E.2 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

E.3 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

E.4 Approval of Council Meeting Record

Marc Gorelnik

a. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Record

E. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- E.5 Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology Brett Wiedoff
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Continue Consistency Review, Identify Changes Needed for Further Action, and Adopt Preliminary Preferred Alternatives for Fishery Management Plan Amendments, as Necessary

- E.6 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 Final Changes to Advisory Body Compositions, Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies, and Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

- E.7 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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**261ST SESSION OF THE PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 8-11 AND 13-15, 2021**

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

The Council Secretariat will be open 8 am to 5 pm September 8-11 and 13-15, 2021

Day 1—Wednesday, September 8, 2021

	Time	How to Attend
Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
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
Habitat Committee	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Budget Committee	10:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Legislative Committee	1:00 p.m.	See PFMC Website

Day 2—Thursday, September 9, 2021

	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
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	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
Habitat Committee	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
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	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

Day 3—Friday, September 10, 2021

	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
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Ecosystem Workgroup	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
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 4—Saturday, September 11, 2021

	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
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

No Meetings Scheduled for Sunday, September 12, 2021

Day 5—Monday, September 13, 2021

	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 Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 6—Tuesday, September 14, 2021

	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 Management Team	8:00 a.m.	See PFMC Website
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	See PFMC Website

Day 7—Wednesday, September 15, 2021

	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

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PROPOSED PACIFIC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA, SEPTEMBER 8-11 & 13-15, 2021 – VIA WEBINAR

Proposed Council and Advisory Body schedules are tentative.

Time estimates are approximate and agenda items may be cancelled or rescheduled.

Acronyms	Thurs, Sept. 9	Fri, Sept. 10	Sat, Sept. 11	Sept. 12	Mon, Sept. 13	Tues, Sept. 14	Weds, Sept. 15	
<i>BC: budget Comm.</i> <i>BSIA: Best Scientific Information Available</i> <i>CPSAS: Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel</i> <i>EAS/WG: Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel/Work Group</i> <i>EC: Enforcement Consultants</i> <i>ED: Executive Director</i> <i>GAP/GMT: Groundfish Advisory Subpanel /Mgmt. Team</i> <i>HC: Habitat Committee</i> <i>HMS: Highly Migratory Species</i> <i>HMSAS/MT: HMS Advisory Subpanel/Mgmt. Team</i> <i>LC: Legislative Committee</i> <i>NMFS: National Marine Fisheries Service</i> <i>PPA: Preliminary Preferred Alternative</i> <i>ROA: Range of Alternatives</i> <i>SAS/STT: Salmon Advisory Subpanel /Technical Team</i> <i>SONNC: Southern Oregon/Northern California Coast</i> <i>SSC: Scientific and Statistical Committee</i>	CLOSED SESSION 8 AM Discuss Litigation & Personnel Matters (2 hr)	C. GROUND FISH 4. Electronic Monitoring (2 hr) 5. Sablefish Gear Switching – ROA Part 1 (6 hr) <i>Continues Tuesday</i>	D. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES 1. NMFS Rpt. (30 min) 2. Recommend International Mgt. Activities (1 hr 30 min) 3. Review Exempted Fishing Permits and Consider Final Recommendations (1 hr)	No MEETINGS ON SUN.	G. PACIFIC HALIBUT 1. Area 2A Catch Sharing Plan Preliminary Changes (1 hr) 2. 2022 Directed Comm. Fishery: Preliminary Recommendations (1 hr)	I. HABITAT 1. Habitat Issues (1 hr)	E. ADMINISTRATIVE 2. Fiscal Matters (30 min) 3. Legislative Matters (30 min) 4. Approve Council Mtg. Record (15 min) 5. Standardized Bycatch Rpt.- ROA (1 hr) 6. Membership Appointments & Council Operating Procedures (2 hr) 7. Future Council Meeting Agenda & Workload Planning (2 hr)	
	A. CALL TO ORDER 10 AM 1-5. Opening Remarks, Council Member Appts, Roll Call, ED Report, Approve Agenda (30 min)	C. GROUND FISH 1. NMFS Rpt. (30 min) 2. Stock Assessment Methodology Rev. Topics (1 hr) 3. At-Sea Whiting Utilization ROA/PPA (3 hr)	E. ADMINISTRATIVE 1. Marine Planning (1 hr 30 min)		C. GROUND FISH 6. Adopt Stock Assessments (2 hr 30 min)	H. ECOSYSTEM 1. Fishery Ecosystem Plan 5-Year Review Update (1 hr) 2. Climate and Communities Initiative (2 hr)	C. GROUND FISH 7. Inseason Adjustments - Final Action (2 hr) 8. 2023-24 Preliminary Spex and Management Measures (3 hr) 5. Sablefish Gear Switching – ROA Part 2 (2 hr) <i>Continued from Friday</i>	(Continued from previous page)
	B. OPEN COMMENT 1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items (1 hr)	(Continued from previous page)	F. SALMON 1. NMFS Rpt. (30 min) 2. Methodology Review – Adopt Priorities (1 hr) 3. SONCC Coho Consultation – ROA/PPA (2 hr)		(Continued from previous page)	(Continued from previous page)	(Continued from previous page)	(Continued from previous page)
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Weds, Sept. 8	8 hr	8 hr	8 hr		7.5 hr	8 hr	6.25 hr	
11 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am CPSAS 8 am HC 8 am SSC 8 am EC 10 am BC 1 pm LC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am HC 8 am SSC 8 am EAS 8 am SAS Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 8 am EAS & EWG 8 am SAS & STT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT Ad Hoc EC		7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSMT Ad Hoc EC	7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat	