

PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL PROPOSED SCHEDULE AND PROCESS  
FOR DEVELOPING 2022 OCEAN SALMON FISHERY MANAGEMENT MEASURES

- Nov. 15-19, 21-22, 2021 The Council and advisory entities meet in Costa Mesa, California to consider any changes to methodologies used in the development of abundance projections or regulatory alternatives and consider salmon schedule for the upcoming year.
- Jan. 18-21, 2022 The Salmon Technical Team (STT) meets to draft the Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) document *Review of 2021 Ocean Salmon Fisheries*. This report summarizes seasons, quotas, harvest, escapement, socioeconomic statistics, achievement of management goals, and impacts on species listed under the Endangered Species Act. (Available mid-February.)
- Feb. 22-25 STT meets to complete *Preseason Report I Stock Abundance Analysis and Environmental Assessment Part 1 for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations*. This report provides key salmon stock abundance estimates and level of precision, harvest, and escapement estimates when recent regulatory regimes are projected on 2021 abundance, and other pertinent information to aid development of management options (available early March).
- Late Feb. – early Mar. State and tribal agencies hold constituent meetings to review preseason abundance projections and range of probable fishery options.
- Mar. 8-14 Council and advisory entities meet in San Jose, California to adopt 2022 regulatory alternatives for public review. The Council addresses inseason action for fisheries opening prior to May 16 and adopts final alternatives for public review.
- Mar. 15-21 The STT completes *Preseason Report II: Proposed Alternatives and Environmental Assessment Part 2 for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations* (available late March).
- Mar. 11-31 Management agencies, tribes, and the public develop their final recommendations for the regulatory alternatives. North of Cape Falcon Forum meetings are held between the March and April Council meetings.
- Mar. 22 Council staff posts *Preseason Report II: Proposed Alternatives and Environmental Assessment Part 2 for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations* to the public. The report includes the public hearing schedule, comment instructions, alternative highlights, and tables summarizing the biological and economic impacts of the proposed management alternatives.
- Mar. 22-23 Tentative sites and dates of public hearings to review the Council's proposed regulatory options are Westport, Washington (Tuesday, March 22); Eureka, California (Tuesday, March 22); and Coos Bay, Oregon (Wednesday, March 23). Comments on the alternatives will also be taken during the April Council meeting.

- Apr. 7-13 Council and advisory entities meet to adopt final regulatory measures in Seattle, Washington. *Preseason Report II: Proposed Alternatives and Environmental Assessment Part 2 for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations*, results from the public hearings, information developed, and public comment received at the Council meeting are considered during the week.
- Apr. 14-20 The STT and Council staff complete *Preseason Report III: Analysis of Council-Adopted Management Measures and Environmental Assessment Part 3 for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fishery Regulations*. Council and NMFS staff completes required National Environmental Policy Act documents for submission.
- Apr. 22 Council staff posts adopted ocean salmon fishing management recommendations, and *Preseason Report III* is available to the public.
- May 16 NMFS implements Federal ocean salmon fishing regulations.

Health and safety concerns due to the COVID-19 pandemic may require changes to the 2022 schedule.

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