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## INTRODUCTION

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1. **Meeting Notice and Proposed Agenda** – These documents are available on the Council Website prior to and following each meeting at <http://www.pcouncil.org/>.
2. **Attendance Records** – These documents are available for the Council meeting and each advisory body meeting by request from the Council office.
3. **All Documents, Reports, and Presentations for Council Consideration** – These items include (1) all documents produced or received for the meeting briefing book, validated by a label assigned by the Council Secretariat and distributed to Council Members; (2) written public comments received at the Council meeting in accordance with agenda labeling requirements; and (3) electronic material or handout materials used in presentations to Council Members during the open session. They are available from links in the Meeting Summary of this document or at <https://www.pcouncil.org/council-meetings/previous-meetings/>.
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7. **Meeting Summary** (immediately follows this section) – The Meeting Summary lists, in agenda item order, the briefing book documents, reports, presentations, and Council motions and actions, including a brief summary from the Council Decisions Summary Document for each agenda item. It constitutes the meeting record formally approved by the Council. The agenda heading for each agenda item, and most listed documents, serve as internet links to the actual briefing book documents. Internet links in brackets (e.g., [[mp3: 11-11-14pm1 @01:21:15](#)]) refer to the audio recording and elapsed time on the recording at which the agenda item was initiated. Links to the audio recordings are annotated by agenda item and may also be accessed at <https://www.pcouncil.org/council-meetings/previous-meetings/>.
8. **Voting Log** – The voting log lists, in Agenda order, the summarized Council motions and actions for each agenda item that took place during the meeting.

## MEETING SUMMARY

### A. Call to Order

#### 1. Opening Remarks – Marc Gorelnik, Chair

Mr. Marc Gorelnik, Council Chair, called the 266<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) to order at 9:00 a.m. on April 8, 2022. A closed session was held before this open session to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

#### 2. Roll Call – Merrick Burden

##### Council Members present during the meeting week:

National Marine Fisheries Service:	Mr. Frank Lockhart, designee Mr. Ryan Wulff, designee Ms. Kelly Ames, designee Ms. Keeley Kent, designee Ms. Susan Bishop, designee
Alaska State Official:	Ms. Dani Evenson, nonvoting designee
Washington State Official:	Mr. Kyle Adicks, designee Ms. Heather Hall, designee Mr. Corey Niles, designee
Washington Obligatory:	Mr. Butch Smith
Oregon State Official:	Dr. Caren Braby, designee Mr. Chris Kern, designee Ms. Maggie Sommer, designee
Oregon Obligatory:	Ms. Christa Svensson
California State Official:	Ms. Marci Yaremko, designee Mr. John Ugoretz, designee Ms. Briana Braby, designee
California Obligatory:	Ms. Corey Ridings
Idaho State Official:	Mr. Virgil Moore, designee
Idaho Obligatory:	Mr. Pete Hassemer
Tribal Official:	Mr. Joseph Oatman
At-Large:	Mr. Phil Anderson Mr. Robert Dooley Mr. Brad Pettinger, Vice-Chair Mr. Marc Gorelnik, Chair
U.S. Coast Guard:	RADM Bouboulis, nonvoting LCDR Brett Ettinger, nonvoting designee LT Lelea Lingo, nonvoting designee Mr. Chris German, nonvoting designee
U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service:	Mr. Mike Clark, nonvoting designee Dr. Kyle Hanson, nonvoting designee Dr. Benjamin Cross, nonvoting designee Mr. John Netto, nonvoting designee

##### Absent from the Meeting:

Pacific States Marine Fisheries

Commission: Dr. David Hanson, Parliamentarian, nonvoting designee  
U.S. State Department: Mr. David Hogan, nonvoting designee

**3. Executive Director’s Report – Merrick Burden**

**4. Agenda – Marc Gorelnik**

**a. Council Action: Approve Agenda**

**Motion 1:** Adopt Agenda Item A.4, April 7-13, 2022, Council Meeting Agenda as printed in [Agenda Item A.4, April 2022](#).

Heather Hall/Bob Dooley (Motion 1 carried unanimously)

**B. Open Comment Period**

**1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items - Merrick Burden**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Discussion and Comments, as Appropriate**

**C. Habitat Issues**

**1. Current Habitat Issues - Kerry Griffin**

**a. Report of the Habitat Committee - Correigh Greene**

**b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**c. Public Comment**

**d. Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Report and Recommendations**

**Staff Summary:** The Habitat Committee (HC) provided [updates](#) on several habitat-related issues including an update on the status of Sacramento River Chinook salmon, the National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration’s Deep Sea Coral Research and Technology Program, and more. The Council considered a draft [comment letter](#) on the Klamath Dam Removal Environmental Impact Statement and approved it for transmittal to the Federal Energy Regulatory Commission. The Council also gave direction to develop a comment letter via the quick response procedure on the Morro Bay Wind Energy Area Draft Environmental Assessment.

## **D. Salmon Management**

### **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**

**Staff Summary:** None

### **2. Tentative Adoption of 2022 Management Measures for Analysis - Robin Ehlke**

- a. Update of Estimated Impacts of March 2022 Alternatives - Michael O'Farrell**
- b. Summary of Public Hearings - Hearings Officers**
- c. Recommendations of the U.S. Section of the Pacific Salmon Commission - Phil Anderson**
- d. Recommendations of North of Cape Falcon Forum - Oregon, Washington, Tribes**
- e. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- f. Public Comment**
- g. Council Action: Adopt Tentative 2022 Ocean Salmon Management Measures and any Necessary Harvest Specifications for Collation and Analysis**

**Motion 2:** Council to tentatively adopt the ocean salmon fishery management measures for non-Indian fisheries as presented in [Agenda Item D.2.e, Supplemental SAS Report 1](#), dated April 8, 2022 for STT collation and analysis.

Kyle Adicks/Phil Anderson (Motion 2 carried unanimously)

**Motion 3:** Council adopt for STT analysis the following Treaty Troll salmon management measure: 40,000 Chinook and 52,000 coho. The alternative consists of a May 1 – June 30 Chinook-directed fishery and a July 1 – September 15 all-species fishery. The Chinook quota should be evenly split between the two time periods.

Joe Oatman/Kyle Adicks (Motion 3 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** None

### **3. Clarify Council Direction on 2022 Management Measures - Robin Ehlke**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**



- b. Public Comment**
- c. Council Guidance and Direction**

**Staff Summary:** None

**4. Methodology Review Preliminary Topic Selection - Robin Ehlke**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- b. Public Comment**
- c. Council Action: Council Guidance on Potential Methodologies to Review in 2022**

**Staff Summary:** The Council supported the majority of items for review submitted by the Model Evaluation Workgroup (MEW), Salmon Technical Team (STT), and the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) including:

1. Technical review of the updates associated with ‘Round 7.1.1’ of the Fishery Regulation Assessment Model (FRAM) base period as they relate to modeled abundances of Chinook salmon stocks used in determining the southern resident killer whale (SRKW) Chinook salmon abundance threshold (assigned to MEW and STT, with support from Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife [WDFW], Northwest Indian Fish Commission and National Marine Fisheries Service [NMFS]).
2. Technical review of the updates to Chinook salmon ocean distribution models that derive from two publications (Shelton et al. 2019, 2021) and are used to apportion the modeled abundance of Chinook salmon stocks among ocean regions (assigned to the SSC with support from Northwest Fishery Science Center and Southwest Fishery Science Center).
3. Discussion of whether the Sacramento Index forecast should be expressed as a mean or median (assigned to STT and SSC).
4. Review of the basis behind the Sacramento River Fall Chinook conservation objective (assigned to SSC, with support from California Department of Fish and Wildlife [CDFW] and NMFS).
5. FRAM technical detail documentation (assigned to MEW).

**5. Further Direction for 2022 Management Alternatives - Robin Ehlke**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- b. Public Comment**
- c. Council Guidance and Direction**

**Staff Summary:** None

**6. 2022 Management Measures - Final Action - Robin Ehlke**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Action: Adopt Final Management Measures for 2022 Ocean Salmon Fisheries**

**Motion 17:** Council adopt for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for the area north of Cape Falcon as presented in agenda item [D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1](#), dated April 12, 2022.

Kyle Adicks/Phil Anderson (Motion 17 carried unanimously)

**Motion 18:** Council adopt the Treaty Indian Troll fishery management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area north of Cape Falcon as shown in Table 3 on Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, April 12, 2022.

Joe Oatman/Kyle Adicks (Motion 18 carried unanimously)

**Motion 19:** Council adopt the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area from Cape Falcon, Oregon to the Oregon/California border as presented in Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, dated April 12, 2022.

Chris Kern/Christa Svensson (Motion 19 carried unanimously)

**Motion 20:** Council adopt the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area from the Oregon/California border to the U.S. Mexico border as presented in Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, dated April 12, 2022.

Marci Yaremko/Mac Gorelnik (Motion 20 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted management measures for 2022 ocean salmon fisheries and will transmit its recommendations to National Marine Fisheries Service for implementation by May 16, 2022. [Detailed management measures](#) and a [press release](#) are posted on the Council's webpage.

**E. Coastal Pelagic Species Management**

**1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report - Jessi Doerpinghaus**

**a. Regulatory Activities – Frank Lockhart**

**b. Fisheries Science Center Activities – Dale Sweetnam**

**c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**d. Public Comment**

**e. Council Discussion**

**Staff Summary:** None

**2. Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) for 2022-2023 - Final Action - Jessi Doerpinghaus**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Action: Adopt Final EFP Recommendations for 2022-2023 Fisheries**

**Motion 5:** Council adopt the exempted fishing permit proposals in Agenda Item E.2 in Attachments [1](#), [2](#), and [3](#) for consideration of harvest amounts under Agenda Item E.3 and recommend NMFS approve the EFPs.

Briana Brady/Bob Dooley (Motion 5 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council approved three EFP [proposals](#) designed to support stock assessments for Pacific sardine. This includes a total amount of up to 830 mt for nearshore acoustic-trawl sampling, nearshore aerial surveys, and directed biological sampling.

**3. Pacific Sardine Assessment, Harvest Specifications, and Management Measures – Final Action - Jessi Doerpinghaus**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Action: Adopt a Pacific Sardine Assessment, Final Harvest Specifications, and Management Measures for the 2022-2023 Pacific Sardine Fishery**

**Motion 6:** Council adopt:

- Biomass - 27,369 mt
  - OFL – 5,506 mt
  - P\* Buffer – 0.40
  - $ABC_{Tier\ 2}$  – 4, 274 mt
  - ACL – 4, 274 mt
  - ACT – 3,800 mt
1. Exempted fishing permit amounts for Agenda Item E.2
    - a) Attachment 1 – 300 mt
    - b) Attachment 2 – 520 mt
    - c) Attachment 3 – 10 mt
  2. Incidental landing limit in CPS fisheries of 20 percent.
  3. If landings in the live bait fishery attain 2,500 mt, a per landing limit of one mt of Pacific sardine per trip will apply to the live bait fishery.
  4. If the ACT of 3,800 mt is attained, a per trip limit of one mt of Pacific sardine applies to all CPS fisheries.

5. An incidental per landing allowance of two mt of Pacific sardine in non-CPS fisheries until the ACL is reached.

Briana Brady/Maggie Sommer (Motion 6 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted the following [2022 sardine stock assessment update](#), harvest specifications, and management measures for the 2022-2023 sardine fishing season.

Biomass	27,369 mt
Overfishing Limit (OFL)	5,506 mt
P* (Uncertainty) Buffer	0.40
Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC <sub>Tier 2</sub> )	4,274 mt
Annual Catch Limit (ACL)	4,274 mt
Annual Catch Limit (ACT)	3,800 mt

In addition, the Council endorsed up to 830 mt of sardine catch by the EFPs recommended under Agenda Item E.2.

Management accountability measures include:

1. Incidental landing limit in CPS fisheries of 20 percent.
2. If landings in the live bait fishery attain 2,500 mt, a per landing limit of one mt of Pacific sardine per trip will apply to the live bait fishery.
3. If the ACT of 3,800 mt is attained, a per trip limit of one mt of Pacific sardine applies to all CPS fisheries.
4. An incidental per landing allowance of two mt of Pacific sardine in non-CPS fisheries until the ACL is reached.

**4. Fishery Management Plan Management Categories – Final Action - Kerry Griffin**

**a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

**b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Action: Adopt Final Fishery Management Plan Amendatory Language**

**Motion 7:** Council adopt as final the Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan amendatory language presented in [Agenda Item E.4, Attachment 1](#), April 2022.

Maggie Sommer/Bob Dooley (Motion 7 carried, Ms. Ridings voted no)

**Staff Summary:** The Council approved final [amendatory language](#) for CPS FMP Amendment 19, which will remove the categories of Active, Monitored, and Prohibited. The Council also expressed support for a housekeeping amendment for future consideration.

**F. Groundfish Management**

**1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report - Todd Phillips**

- a. Regulatory Activities**
- 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**

**Staff Summary:** None

**2. Trawl Cost Recovery Report - Jim Seger**

- a. National Marine Fisheries Service Report – Chris Biegel**
- b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- c. Public Comment**
- d. Council Action: Provide Comments on the Report**

**Staff Summary:** The Council received the annual trawl [cost recovery report](#) from the National Marine Fisheries Service and discussed the ongoing questions about the cost recovery determinations and whether there might be opportunities to reduce program costs. The Council will consider focusing on cost recovery as part of its upcoming periodic catch share program review. Planning for an initiation of that review is currently scheduled for the September 2022 Council meeting.

**3. Biennial Harvest Specifications for 2023-2024 Fisheries – Final Action - John DeVore, Todd Phillips**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- b. Public Comment**

**c. Council Action: Adopt Final Preferred Harvest Specifications for 2023-2024 Fisheries**

**Motion 8:** Council:

- 1) Confirm the final preferred harvest control rules and specifications previously adopted under Agenda Item E.3 in November 2021 for groundfish stocks and stock complexes in 2023 and 2024, and
- 2) Adopt the following alternatives, and the associated harvest specifications in [F.3, Supplemental Revised Attachment 1](#), as final:
  - Sablefish: No Action, P\* 0.45
  - Lingcod north of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Lingcod south of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, ACL<ABC with 40:10 adjustment, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Oregon black rockfish, Alternative 1, ACL = 512 mt (PPA)
  - Pacific spiny dogfish: No Action, P\* 0.40
  - Vermilion rockfish north of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Vermilion/sunset rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Quillback rockfish in Oregon: No Action, default HCR, P\* 0.45
  - Quillback rockfish in Washington: No Action, default HCR, P\* 0.45

Maggie Sommer/Butch Smith (Motion 8 carried unanimously)

**Motion 9:** Council take the following actions regarding quillback rockfish in 2023-2024:

- 1) Confirm intent to manage quillback rockfish in the nearshore rockfish complexes north and south of 40° 10' N. latitude,
- 2) Request calculation and review of a coastwide OFL value for quillback rockfish, prior to the June 2022 Council meeting,
- 3) Adopt the following alternatives for quillback rockfish off California:
  - No Action: ACL < ABC w/ 40:10 adjustment; P\* 0.45 (“Method 2” in F.3 Supplemental GMT Report 1 April 2022)
  - Alternative 1: SPR 0.55; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.76 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.93 mt; P\* 0.45,
  - Alternative 2: SPR 0.60; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.46 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.61 mt; P\* 0.45

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 9 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted final 2023 and 2024 harvest specifications under default harvest control rules (HCRs) for all stocks and complexes except Oregon black rockfish, quillback rockfish, and the Nearshore Rockfish complexes north and south of 40° 10' N. lat. (see Tables 1-3 and 1-4 in the [analytical document](#) informing this action). The Council adopted Alternative 1 for Oregon black rockfish, which maintains an acceptable biological catch (ABC)/annual catch limit (ACL) of 512 mt for 2023 and 2024 before returning to the default HCR (ACL = ABC with an overfishing probability (P\*) of 0.45 thereafter). The Council deferred a final decision on quillback rockfish harvest specifications and those for the Nearshore Rockfish complexes until June. While the Council decided to continue to manage quillback rockfish in the Nearshore Rockfish complexes for the next two years, they requested an analysis to help determine the contribution of quillback to the Nearshore Rockfish complex ACLs, and an analysis to help determine the apportionment of quillback rockfish north and south of 40° 10' N. lat. The

contribution of quillback rockfish using projections from the [Oregon](#) and [Washington](#) assessments will be based on the default HCR (ACL = ABC, P\* = 0.45) with the following alternatives for the California quillback rockfish contribution based on projections from the [rebuilding analysis](#):

- No Action: ACL < ABC with 40:10 adjustment; P\* = 0.45, 2023 ACL contribution = 0.11 mt (“Method 2” as recommended by the [GMT](#)),
- Alternative 1: spawning potential ratio (SPR) = 0.55; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.76 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.93 mt; P\* = 0.45, and
- Alternative 2: SPR = 0.60; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.46 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.61 mt; P\* = 0.45.

In addition to the above alternatives, the Council requested the calculation of a coastwide OFL of quillback rockfish to help determine quillback’s contribution to the Nearshore Rockfish complex OFLs. This calculation would be apportioned north and south of 40° 10’ N. lat. according to area-based contributions.

#### **4. Preliminary Preferred Management Measure Alternatives for 2023-2024 Fisheries - Todd Phillips, John DeVore**

##### **a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

##### **b. Public Comment**

##### **c. Council Action: Adopt Any Remaining Harvest Specifications and Preliminary Preferred Alternatives for Management Measures in 2023-2024 Fisheries**

**Motion 12:** Council adopt as preliminary preferred alternative the preliminary tribal set asides as shown in item [E.5.a, Supplemental Tribal Report 2](#), November 2021.

Joe Oatman/Phil Anderson (Motion 12 carried unanimously)

**Motion 13:** Council adopt preliminary preferred alternatives as recommended in F.3.a, Supplemental GMT Reports [3](#) and [4](#), April 2022 for the following items:

- 3 – Off-the-top deductions for Research, EFPs, and Incidental Open Access fisheries
- 8 – HGs/State shares for stocks in a complex
- 10 – Within trawl set-asides
- 11 – Within non-trawl HGs, ACTs, or shares
- 13 – Shorebased IFQ trip limits for non-IFQ species
- 14a – OA north of 40° 10’ N. lat.
- 15a – LEFG north of 40° 10’ N. lat.
- 17 – Oregon recreational measures

Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson

**Amendment 1:** Change F.3.a, Supplemental GMT Reports 3 and 4 to “F.4.a, Supplemental GMT Reports 3 and 4”.

Bob Dooley/Butch Smith (Amendment 1 carried unanimously)

Motion 13 carried unanimously

**Motion 14:** Council select the GMT recommendations for Items 6, 6b, and 7 from the Enhanced Action Item Checklist in Agenda Item F.4.a, [Supplemental GMT Report 3](#), April 2022, and the GMT recommendations for Items 12f, 12g, 12j and 16 from the Enhanced Action Item Checklist in Agenda Item F.4.a, [Supplemental GMT Report 4](#), April 2022 as preliminary preferred alternatives.

For reference:

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- Item 12 (g) Amendment to correct FMP language for Block Area Closures (BAC)
- Item 12 (j) Midwater Trawl Block Area Closures
- Item 16: Washington Recreational – Bag limits, seasons, length limits, etc.

Heather Hall/Butch Smith (Motion 14 carried unanimously)

**Motion 15:** Working from the Action Item Checklist: 2023-24 Harvest Specifications and Management Measures ([Agenda Item F.4, Supplemental REVISED Attachment 1](#)), I move the Council adopt the following management measures as Preliminary Preferred Alternatives:

- #2 (Area Management) - Adopt NT-RCA waypoint corrections as per GMT recommendation (Supplemental GMT Report 3) and CDFW Enforcement recommendation ([Supplemental CDFW Report 5](#))
- #5 (ACT) -
  - Yelloweye: Adopt Status Quo non-trawl ACT (39.8mt)
  - Cowcod: Adopt removal of the 50 mt ACT as per GAP recommendation ([Supplemental GAP Report 1](#))
  - Quillback Rockfish (off CA): do not identify a PPA, but request further analysis of the following:
    - Option 1
      - § 42° to 40° 10': set ACT equal to SPR 0.6 from rebuilding analysis
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    - Option 2
      - § 42° to 40° 10': set ACT equal to ACL contribution to complex
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  - Copper Rockfish (off CA): do not identify a PPA, but request further analysis of the following:
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- #12e (Non-trawl RCA adjustments) - Adopt revised proposal as described in NMFS Report, including GAP and EC modifications ([NMFS Report 1](#), [Supplemental GAP Report 1](#), [Supplemental EC Report1](#))
- #12h (CDFW Recreational Bag limits) - Adopt recreational bag limits as described in section 6 of [Agenda Item F.4, Attachment 2](#)
- #12i (CDFW Recreational RCA Management Measures) - Adopt the novel utilization of existing RCA boundary lines as described in section 7 of Agenda Item F.4, Attachment 2
- #14b (OA S of 40° 10') - Adopt status quo trip limits as per GAP recommendation (Supplemental GAP Report 1)
- #15b (LEFG S of 40° 10') - Adopt status quo trip limits as per GAP recommendation (Supplemental GAP Report 1)
- #18 (CA Recreational) - Adopt the range of season structure and bag limit scenarios in [CDFW Report 1](#) (Agenda Item F.4.a)

Marci Yaremko/Marc Gorelnik (Motion 15 carried unanimously)

**Motion 16:** Council adopt as its Preliminary Preferred Alternative for action item 12c in Agenda Item F.4, [Supplemental REVISED Attachment 1](#), April 2022, amending the Pacific Coast Groundfish FMP by adding the following:

The Council shall review fishery-incurred mortality of shortbelly rockfish during the routinely scheduled groundfish inseason agenda item. If the mortality exceeds, or is projected to exceed, 2,000 mt in a calendar year, the Council shall review and investigate all relevant information, including but not limited to, survey abundance trends and other stock status information, changes in fishing behavior, and changes in the market interest for shortbelly rockfish.

In response to the review of the information, the Council will consider voluntary measures taken by the fishing industry to reduce bycatch and consider other management measures including, but not limited to, area closures, gear prohibitions, bycatch limits and seasonal restrictions as deemed necessary to reduce shortbelly rockfish mortality. The Council may also reconsider the EC designation if appropriate.

Phil Anderson/Bob Dooley (Motion 16 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted their preliminary preferred groundfish management measure alternatives for 2023 and 2024 as described and recommended by the [Tribes](#), the [GAP](#), and the GMT (Supplemental [Report 3](#) and [Report 4](#)). The Council directed the GMT and Council staff to continue to develop and analyze a series of management measures for consideration and final decision at their June 2022 meeting, which include, but are not limited to routine management measures, catch control mechanisms (such as block area closures for Pacific spiny dogfish), annual catch targets for quillback rockfish and copper rockfish off of California, and proposed revisions to the Non-trawl Rockfish Conservation Area boundaries and allowed gear types. Additionally, the Council specified language for an amendment to the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery Management Plan that would specify a 2,000 mt threshold that would trigger Council review of shortbelly rockfish policy. Final action on 2023-2024 groundfish management measures is scheduled for the Council's June 2022 meeting.

**5. Implementation of the 2022 Pacific Whiting Fishery Under the U.S./Canada Agreement - John DeVore**

- a. Joint Management Committee Report - Frank Lockhart, Phil Anderson**
- b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- c. Public Comment**
- d. Council Action: Consider Necessary Actions for Implementing the 2022 Pacific Whiting Fishery**

**Staff Summary:** The Council received a briefing on this year's U.S./Canada Pacific Whiting Treaty process. The Joint Management Committee, the decision-making body in the whiting treaty process, recommended a 2022 coastwide (U.S. + Canada) whiting total annual catch (TAC) of 545,000 mt. NMFS anticipates publishing a proposed rule for a 2022 U.S. whiting TAC and interim sector allocations in late April/early May and a final rule after public notice and comment on the proposed TAC.

**6. Non-trawl Sector Area Management Measures - Brett Wiedoff/Jessi Doerpinghaus**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- b. Public Comment**
- c. Council Action: Review the Range of Alternatives and Adopt Preliminary Preferred Alternatives, As Appropriate**

**Motion 10:** Council adopt the revisions to the range of alternatives for non-trawl sector area management measures as recommended by the Groundfish Management Team in Agenda Item F.6.a, [Supplemental GMT Report 1](#), April 2022.

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 10 carried unanimously)

**Motion 11:** Council add to the Alternative 3 Suboptions as follows:

- For Suboption 1: Include an option to prohibit groundfish non-trawl bottom contact gear in the entire EFHCA for trawl EFHCAs with small portions outside the existing nontrawl RCA seaward boundary, as recommended in F.6.a, [Supplemental HC Report 1](#).
- Add new [Suboption 2](#): Prohibit commercial groundfish fishing with non-trawl bottom contact gear in the area west of the Heceta Bank EFHCA, as proposed in F.6.a, [Supplemental ODFW Report 1](#).
- Add new [Suboption 3](#): Identify potential new Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Areas (if any) that could be used to mitigate impacts to yelloweye rockfish resulting from this action, which could be implemented in biennial management measures or inseason action.

Request that Council staff:

- 1) Provide information on the type(s) and extent of area management measures that could achieve the intent of each Suboption, and
- 2) Consider recommendations on analysis of Alternative 3 in F.6.a, Supplemental HC Report 1 and [Supplemental GAP Report 1](#), April 2022.

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 11 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council is considering the following revisions to the Non-trawl Rockfish Conservation Area (in addition to those proposed for the 2023-24 fisheries) and Cowcod Conservation Areas. The Council revised the range of alternatives as recommended in [Supplemental GMT Report 1](#) and [CDFW Report 1](#):

Alternative 1: Allow non-trawl fishery vessels (open access and limited entry fixed gear) and vessels that use fixed gear in the individual fishing quota program (“gear switchers”) to use approved non-bottom contact hook-and-line gear in the Non-Trawl Rockfish Conservation Area (NT\_RCA) between 46° 16’ and the border of Mexico. Vertical hook-and-line gear anchored to the bottom, longline, and dinglebar gear would be prohibited for use under this measure.

- Suboption 1: Limited Entry Fixed Gear (LEFG) vessels targeting groundfish to fish in the NT\_RCA using approved hook-and-line gear may fish up to LEFG trip limits.

Alternative 2: Adjust the seaward boundary of the NT\_RCA from 100 fathoms to 75 fathoms from 46° 16’ N. lat. to 34° 27’ N. lat. for both groundfish and directed halibut fishing activity.

- Suboption 1a: Prohibit all bottom contact groundfish gear in groundfish essential fish habitat (EFHCA) that would otherwise be reopened under this action.
- Suboption 1b: Prohibit groundfish non-trawl bottom contact gear in the entire EFHCA for trawl EFHCAs with small portions outside the existing non-trawl RCA seaward boundary, as recommended in [F.6.a, Supplemental HC Report 1](#).
- Suboption 2: Prohibit commercial groundfish fishing with non-trawl bottom contact gear in the area west of the Heceta Bank EFHCA, as proposed in [F.6.a, Supplemental ODFW Report 1](#).
- Suboption 3: Identify potential new Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Areas that could be used to mitigate impacts to yelloweye rockfish resulting from this action, which could be implemented in biennial management measures or inseason action.

Alternative 3: Repeal the Cowcod Conservation Areas (CCA) For Commercial and Recreational Fisheries.

- Include development of new non-trawl RCA lines around islands and banks for management within the current boundaries of the CCA as described in [E.5.a, Supplemental CDFW Report 1](#).
- Include analysis of new proposed area restrictions identified in [F.6.a, CDFW Report 1](#) for a) Hidden Reef, b) West of Santa Barbara Island c) Potato Bank, d) 107/118 Bank, e) Cherry Bank, f) Seamount 109, g) Northeast Bank, and h) the 43-Fathom Spot.

Alternative 4: NT\_RCA adjustments off WA for pot gear.

This alternative would open areas generally located seaward of the 75 fm line to pot gear off of Washington but may be defined by coordinates that do not necessarily follow a single depth contour. This alternative will be refined in the future to ensure the open areas would satisfy the objectives described in [Agenda item E.6.a, Supplemental WDFW Report 1, November](#)

[2021](#). The Council also recommended analyzing pot gear impacts from groundfish fishing to any bottom trawl EFHCA that overlap with the area 75-100 fathoms off Washington.

The Council eliminated an alternative which would have removed the NT\_RCA from 46° 16' N. latitude to 34° 27' N. latitude from the range of alternatives due to the lack of data available for analysis. This alternative was moved to the groundfish workload prioritization list instead, for consideration at a later date. Additionally, the Council recommended developing block area closures for non-trawl gears under each alternative for mitigating bycatch of other groundfish stocks, as well as protected or prohibited species. The Council also recommended that staff revise the Purpose and Need Statement to reflect the development of new area management measures that provide for the protection and conservation of sensitive habitats.

The Council is scheduled to adopt preliminary preferred alternatives for this item at its September 2022 meeting.

## **7. Electronic Monitoring Update - Brett Wiedoff**

- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
- b. Public Comment**
- c. Council Action: Provide Guidance on Issues, Priorities, Workload, and Schedule for Continued Program Development**

**Staff Summary:** The Council's [Groundfish Electronic Policy and Technical Advisory Committees](#) reported on efforts to create a more cost-effective method for catch accounting that is intended to verify the accuracy of logbook entries. They also identified subgroups of committee members to work with the Pacific States Marine Fisheries Commission on potential industry funding mechanisms and to evaluate sampling, data handling, and data processing protocols related to the three-week turnaround requirement. Committee members also plan to track the [NMFS Information Law Procedural Directive](#). The Council's next update on electronic monitoring is scheduled for September 2022.

## **8. Inseason Adjustments for 2022 – 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 2022, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives**

**Staff Summary:** The Council did not receive any inseason adjustment recommendations from the GMT, GAP, or stakeholders and took no action.

## **G. Pacific Halibut Management**

### **1. Incidental Catch Limits for 2022 Salmon Troll Fishery – Final Action - Robin Ehlke**

#### **a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

#### **b. Public Comment**

#### **c. Council Action: Adopt Final Incidental Pacific Halibut Catch Recommendations for 2022 and Early 2023 Non-Indian Salmon Troll Fisheries**

**Motion 4:** Council adopt the Option 1 catch limit for the 2022 salmon fishery as described in the [Supplemental Salmon Advisory Subpanel Report](#) under Agenda Item G.1.a, April 2022.

(Option 1) Open May 16, 2022, through the end of the 2022 salmon troll fishery, and beginning April 1, 2023, until modified through inseason action or superseded by the 2023 management measures. License holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per two Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut landed per trip.

Heather Hall/Butch Smith (Motion 4 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council adopted final incidental halibut catch limits as follows:

Open May 16, 2022, through the end of the 2022 salmon troll fishery, and beginning April 1, 2023, until modified through inseason action or superseded by the 2023 management measures. License holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per two Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut landed per trip.

## **H. Administrative Matters**

### **1. Final West Coast Regional Framework for Determining the Best Scientific Information Available - John DeVore**

#### **a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

#### **b. Public Comment**

#### **c. Council Action: Provide Comments on the Final Draft of the West Coast Regional Framework**

**Staff Summary:** The Council considered the [NMFS draft regional framework](#) for determining best scientific information available, and requested the NMFS West Coast Region consider the comments and recommendations provided by the [Scientific and Statistical Committee](#). The policy directive requires the Best Scientific Information Available framework be completed by May 7, 2022.

## **2. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures - Mike Burner**

### **a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**

### **b. Public Comment**

### **c. Council Action: Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Consider Changes to Council Operating Procedures**

**Motion 21:** Council appoint Dr. Brittany Schwartzkopf to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) position on the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) currently held by Dr. Kevin Hill and appoint Ms. Taylor Debevec to the NMFS position on the CPSMT currently held by Mr. Joshua Lindsay.

Ryan Wulff/Pete Hassemer (Motion 21 carried unanimously)

**Motion 22:** Council appoint Ms. Laura Brown to the WDFW position on the Habitat Committee currently held by Ms. Randi Thurston.

Heather Hall/ Butch Smith (Motion 22 carried unanimously)

**Motion 23:** Council appoint Ms. Emily Shallow to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife position on the Model Evaluation Workgroup.

Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson (Motion 23 carried unanimously)

**Staff Summary:** The Council made the following Advisory Body Appointments:

- Dr. Brittany Schwartzkopf was appointed to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) position on the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) currently held by Dr. Kevin Hill.
- Ms. Taylor Debevec was appointed to the NMFS position on the CPSMT currently held by Mr. Joshua Lindsay.
- Ms. Laura Brown was appointed to the WDFW position on the Habitat Committee currently held by Ms. Randi Thurston.
- Ms. Emily Shallow was appointed to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife position on the Model Evaluation Workgroup.

The Council reviewed existing vacancies and recommended soliciting nominations for the following vacancies after the April meeting (visit the [Council's Vacancy Page](#)):

- Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) – Processor At-Large
- Habitat Committee – Northwest or Columbia River Tribal

The Council anticipates soliciting nominations for the following positions in late-June:

- Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel – Washington Commercial Position
- Salmon Advisory Subpanel – Washington Charter Operator
- Habitat Committee – Sport Fishery Representative

Finally, at its June 2022 meeting, the Council is scheduled to revisit the proposed formation of a [new ad hoc committee](#) focused on the issue of stock definitions in the Groundfish Management Plan.

- 3. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning - Merrick Burden**
  - 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**

**Staff Summary:** None

## **I. Enforcement**

- 1. Annual U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement Report - Jim Seger**
  - a. U.S. Coast Guard Annual West Coast Fishery Enforcement Report - RADM Melvin Bouboulis**
  - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies**
  - c. Public Comment**
  - d. Council Action: Consider the U.S. Coast Guard Report**

**Staff Summary:** The Council received an annual [report from the United States Coast Guard \(USCG\)](#). Council members were pleased to meet Rear Admiral Melvin Bouboulis and expressed their appreciation for the important role of the USCG in fishery management both with respect to enforcement activities and search-and-rescue activities.

## **INFORMATIONAL REPORTS**

[Supplemental Informational Report 1](#): 2021 Trawl Rationalization (TRat) Compliance Summary  
[Supplemental Informational Report 2](#): CEQ Blogpost: Columbia River Basin Fisheries

## **VOTING LOG**

**Motion 1:** Adopt Agenda Item A.4, April 7-13, 2022, Council Meeting Agenda as printed in [Agenda Item A.4, April 2022](#).  
Heather Hall/Bob Dooley (Motion 1 carried unanimously)

**Motion 2:** Council to tentatively adopt the ocean salmon fishery management measures for non-Indian fisheries as presented in [Agenda Item D.2.e, Supplemental SAS Report 1, dated April 8, 2022](#) for STT collation and analysis.

Kyle Adicks/Phil Anderson (Motion 2 carried unanimously)

**Motion 3:** Council adopt for STT analysis the following Treaty Troll salmon management measure: 40,000 Chinook and 52,000 coho. The alternative consists of a May 1 – June 30 Chinook-directed fishery and a July 1 – September 15 all-species fishery. The Chinook quota should be evenly split between the two time periods.

Joe Oatman/Kyle Adicks (Motion 3 carried unanimously)

**Motion 4:** Council adopt the Option 1 catch limit for the 2022 salmon fishery as described in the Supplemental Salmon Advisory Subpanel Report under [Agenda Item G.1.a, April 2022](#).

(Option 1) Open May 16, 2022, through the end of the 2022 salmon troll fishery, and beginning April 1, 2023, until modified through inseason action or superseded by the 2023 management measures. License holders may land no more than one Pacific halibut per two Chinook, except one Pacific halibut may be landed without meeting the ratio requirement, and no more than 35 halibut landed per trip.

Heather Hall/Butch Smith (Motion 4 carried unanimously)

**Motion 5:** Council adopt the exempted fishing permit proposals in Agenda Item E.2 in Attachments [1](#), [2](#), and [3](#) for consideration of harvest amounts under Agenda Item E.3 and recommend NMFS approve the EFPs.

Briana Brady/Bob Dooley (Motion 5 carried unanimously)

**Motion 6:** Council adopt:

- Biomass - 27,369 mt
  - OFL – 5,506 mt
  - P\* Buffer – 0.40
  - $ABC_{Tier\ 2}$  – 4, 274 mt
  - ACL – 4, 274 mt
  - ACT – 3,800 mt
1. Exempted fishing permit amounts for Agenda Item E.2
    - a) [Attachment 1](#) – 300 mt
    - b) [Attachment 2](#) – 520 mt
    - c) [Attachment 3](#) – 10 mt
  2. Incidental landing limit in CPS fisheries of 20 percent.
  3. If landings in the live bait fishery attain 2,500 mt, a per landing limit of one mt of Pacific sardine per trip will apply to the live bait fishery.
  4. If the ACT of 3,800 mt is attained, a per trip limit of one mt of Pacific sardine applies to all CPS fisheries.
  5. An incidental per landing allowance of two mt of Pacific sardine in non-CPS fisheries until the ACL is reached.

Briana Brady/Maggie Sommer (Motion 6 carried unanimously)



**Motion 7:** Council adopt as final the Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan amendatory language presented in [Agenda Item E.4, Attachment 1, April 2022](#).  
Maggie Sommer/Bob Dooley (Motion 7 carried, Ms. Ridings voted no)

**Motion 8:** Council:

- 1) Confirm the final preferred harvest control rules and specifications previously adopted under Agenda Item E.3 in November 2021 for groundfish stocks and stock complexes in 2023 and 2024, and
- 2) Adopt the following alternatives, and the associated harvest specifications in [F.3 Supplemental Revised Attachment 1](#), as final:
  - Sablefish: No Action, P\* 0.45
  - Lingcod north of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Lingcod south of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, ACL<ABC with 40:10 adjustment, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Oregon black rockfish, Alternative 1, ACL = 512 mt (PPA)
  - Pacific spiny dogfish: No Action, P\* 0.40
  - Vermilion rockfish north of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Vermilion/sunset rockfish south of 40° 10' N. lat.: No Action, P\* 0.45 (PPA)
  - Quillback rockfish in Oregon: No Action, default HCR, P\* 0.45
  - Quillback rockfish in Washington: No Action, default HCR, P\* 0.45

Maggie Sommer/Butch Smith (Motion 8 carried unanimously)

**Motion 9:** Council take the following actions regarding quillback rockfish in 2023-2024:

- 1) Confirm intent to manage quillback rockfish in the nearshore rockfish complexes north and south of 40° 10' N. latitude,
- 2) Request calculation and review of a coastwide OFL value for quillback rockfish, prior to the June 2022 Council meeting,
- 3) Adopt the following alternatives for quillback rockfish off California:
  - No Action: ACL < ABC w/ 40:10 adjustment; P\* 0.45 (“Method 2” in [F.3.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, April 2022](#))
  - Alternative 1: SPR 0.55; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.76 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.93 mt; P\* 0.45,
  - Alternative 2: SPR 0.60; 2023 ACL contribution = 1.46 mt, 2024 ACL contribution = 1.61 mt; P\* 0.45

Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 9 carried unanimously)

**Motion 10:** Council adopt the revisions to the range of alternatives for non-trawl sector area management measures as recommended by the Groundfish Management Team in [Agenda Item F.6.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, April 2022](#).

Marci Yaremko/Maggie Sommer (Motion 10 carried unanimously)

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- Add new Suboption 2: Prohibit commercial groundfish fishing with non-trawl bottom contact gear in the area west of the Heceta Bank EFHCA, as proposed in [F.6.a, Supplemental ODFW Report 1](#).
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Request that Council staff:

- 1) Provide information on the type(s) and extent of area management measures that could achieve the intent of each Suboption, and
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Maggie Sommer/Marci Yaremko (Motion 11 carried unanimously)

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Joe Oatman/Phil Anderson (Motion 12 carried unanimously)

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Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson (Motion 13, as amended, carried unanimously)

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Heather Hall/Butch Smith (Motion 14 carried unanimously)

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      - § 42° to 40° 10': set ACT equal to ACL contribution to complex w/40-10 reduction applied
      - § 40° 10' to U.S./Mexico border: set ACT equal to ACL contribution to complex w/40-10 reduction applied
- #12e (Non-trawl RCA adjustments) - Adopt revised proposal as described in NMFS Report, including GAP and EC modifications ([NMFS Report 1](#), [Supplemental GAP Report 1](#), [Supplemental EC Report 1](#))
- #12h. CDFW Recreational Bag limits - Adopt recreational bag limits as described in section 6 of [Agenda Item F.4, Attachment 2](#)
- #12i. CDFW Recreational RCA Management Measures - Adopt the novel utilization of existing RCA boundary lines as described in section 7 of [Agenda Item F.4, Attachment 2](#)
- #14b (OA S of 40° 10') - Adopt status quo trip limits as per GAP recommendation ([Supplemental GAP Report 1](#))
- #15b (LEFG S of 40° 10') - Adopt status quo trip limits as per GAP recommendation ([Supplemental GAP Report 1](#))
- #18 (CA Recreational) - Adopt the range of season structure and bag limit scenarios in [CDFW Report 1](#) (Agenda Item F.4.a)

Marci Yaremko/Marc Gorelnik (Motion 15 carried unanimously)

**Motion 16:** Council adopt as its Preliminary Preferred Alternative for action item 12c in [Agenda Item F.4, Supplemental REVISED Attachment 1, April 2022](#), amending the Pacific Coast Groundfish FMP by adding the following:

The Council shall review fishery-incurred mortality of shortbelly rockfish during the routinely scheduled groundfish inseason agenda item. If the mortality exceeds, or is projected to exceed, 2,000 mt in a calendar year, the Council shall review and investigate all relevant information, including but not limited to, survey abundance trends and other stock status information, changes in fishing behavior, and changes in the market interest for shortbelly rockfish.

In response to the review of the information, the Council will consider voluntary measures taken by the fishing industry to reduce bycatch and consider other management measures including, but not limited to, area closures, gear prohibitions, bycatch limits and seasonal restrictions as deemed necessary to reduce shortbelly rockfish mortality. The Council may also reconsider the EC designation if appropriate.

Phil Anderson/Bob Dooley (Motion 16 carried unanimously)

**Motion 17:** Council adopt for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for the area north of Cape Falcon as presented in [Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, dated April 12, 2022](#).

Kyle Adicks/Phil Anderson (Motion 17 carried unanimously)

**Motion 18:** Council adopt the Treaty Indian Troll fishery management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area north of Cape Falcon as shown in Table 3 on [Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, April 12, 2022](#).

Joe Oatman/Kyle Adicks (Motion 18 carried unanimously)

**Motion 19:** Council adopt the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area from Cape Falcon, Oregon to the Oregon/California border as presented in [Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, dated April 12, 2022](#).

Chris Kern/Christa Svensson (Motion 19 carried unanimously)

**Motion 20:** Council adopt the non-Indian commercial and recreational salmon management measures for submission to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for the area from the Oregon/California border to the U.S. Mexico border as presented in [Agenda Item D.6.a, Supplemental STT Report 1, dated April 12, 2022](#).

Marci Yaremko/Mac Gorelnik (Motion 20 carried unanimously)

**Motion 21:** Council appoint Dr. Brittany Schwartzkopf to the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) position on the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) currently held by Dr. Kevin Hill and appoint Ms. Taylor Debevec to the NMFS position on the CPSMT currently held by Mr. Joshua Lindsay.

Ryan Wulff/Pete Hassemmer (Motion 21 carried unanimously)

**Motion 22:** Council appoint Ms. Laura Brown to the WDFW position on the Habitat Committee currently held by Ms. Randi Thurston.

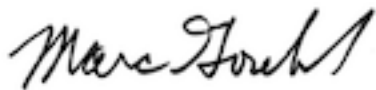
Heather Hall/ Butch Smith (Motion 22 carried unanimously)

**Motion 23:** Council appoint Ms. Emily Shallow to the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife position on the Model Evaluation Workgroup.

Maggie Sommer/Christa Svensson (Motion 23 carried unanimously)

**ADJOURN**

The Council meeting adjourned on Wednesday, April 13, 2022 at 11:12 a.m.



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Marc Gorelnik  
Council Chair

July 28, 2022  
Date