

PROPOSED AGENDA

Ecosystem Workgroup

Pacific Fishery Management Council

Online Meeting

August 26, 29 & 30, 2022

Ecosystem Workgroup (EWG) meetings are open to the public, and public comment periods have been scheduled. Additional public comments will be taken at the discretion of the Chair. Dates and times on this agenda are subject to change once the meeting begins. Agenda items listed under the Advisory Body Administrative Matters are in numerical order; other agenda items reflect their Council Meeting Agenda numbering. Note, times not specified for discussion and/or presentations will be allocated to the Advisory Body’s drafting and reviewing of statements, reports, etc.

Friday, August 26, 2022 – 10:00 a.m.

EWG Administrative Matters

1. Roll call and agenda overview Kit Dahl
2. Introductions, announcements, etc. Yvonne deReynier

H. Ecosystem Management

- H.2 Draft Western Regional Action Plan to Implement the NOAA Fisheries Climate Science Strategy in 2022 – 2024 Toby Garfield, Rich Zabel
(10:15 a.m.)

Drs. Garfield and Zabel will brief interested advisory body members and members of the public on the [draft Western Regional Action Plan](#) (WRAP). It is one of seven draft plans that are three-year, coordinated, cross-agency efforts to increase implementation of the NOAA Fisheries Climate Science Strategy in the Northeast, Southeast, Pacific Islands, West Coast, and Alaska Regions. This draft is a revision to the initial WRAP released in 2016, which focused on implementing the National Climate Science Strategy in the California Current Large Marine Ecosystem over three to five years. The Council has been given an opportunity to comment on the draft plan.

- H.1 Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiatives Appendix Yvonne deReynier
(11:00 a.m.)

Ms. deReynier will brief interested advisory body members and members of the public on the revised Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiatives Appendix. In March 2022, the Council reviewed a draft of the Appendix. The EWG revised the draft, adding the Climate-Informed Fisheries Management Initiative proposed by the Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel and addressed comments on the initiative descriptions made by other advisory bodies. The revised draft is included in the advanced briefing book as Agenda Item H.1, EWG Report 1. The Council is expected to adopt the revised appendix at its September meeting.

H.1 Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiatives Appendix and New Initiative (cont.)

Yvonne deReynier

(1:00 p.m.)

The EWG will discuss the contents of a supplemental report focusing on its recommendations for which initiative (or initiatives) the Council should begin work on in the coming year.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
2:45 p.m. (or immediately following Agenda Item H.1)

Monday, August 29, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.

H.2 Draft WRAP

Toby Garfield, Rich Zabell

(2:00 p.m.)

The EWG will discuss the contents of a supplemental report with recommended comments on the WRAP.

C. Administrative

C.3 Council Meeting and Process Efficiencies

Kit Dahl

(3:00 p.m.)

At the Council's request, the Executive Director drafted a white paper exploring potential changes in the Council process based on lessons learned during the pandemic. The EWG will consider submitting a report reacting to the ideas presented in the white paper.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
3:45 p.m. (or immediately following Agenda Item C.3)

Tuesday, August 30, 2022 – 2:00 p.m.

C. Administrative

C.8 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

Yvonne deReynier

(2:00 p.m.)

The EWG will consider a supplemental report with recommendations on scheduling ecosystem agenda items at future Council meetings.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD
2:45 p.m. (or immediately following Agenda Item C.8)

EWG Administrative Matters

3. Draft and discuss supplemental reports as needed
(3:00 p.m.)

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