



270th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
 March 4-10, 2023

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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.

Schedule of Ancillary Meetings follows the Detailed Agenda

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings following the Council’s Detailed Agenda for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions. Instructions for joining online meetings will be posted to the [March Council meeting web page](#).

Saturday March 4	Sunday March 5	Monday March 6	Tuesday March 7	Wednesday March 8	Thursday March 9	Friday March 10
Advisory Bodies Meet	Closed Session	Salmon	Administrative	Groundfish	Administrative	Salmon
	Call to Order				Highly Migratory Species	Administrative
	Open Comment	Ecosystem	Salmon			
	Pacific Halibut	Groundfish		Salmon	Salmon	
	Salmon		Groundfish	Groundfish		
	Habitat		Groundfish			Salmon



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Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Sunday, March 5, 2023

General Council Session
Northwest Ballroom

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.

9 a.m.

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Marc Gorelnik, Chair |
| A.2 | Roll Call | Merrick Burden |
| A.3 | Agenda | Marc Gorelnik |
| | a. Council Action: Approve Agenda | |
| A.4 | Executive Director's Report | Merrick Burden |

B. Open Comment Period

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| B.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 Comment, as Appropriate | |

C. Pacific Halibut

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| C.1 | Annual Report of the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) | Robin Ehlke |
| | a. IPHC Report | Basia Hutnikzac |
| | b. Council IPHC Representative Report | Phil Anderson |
| | c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| | d. Public Comment | |
| | e. Council Action: Discuss IPHC Meeting Reports and Provide Guidance, as Appropriate | |
| C.2 | Incidental Catch Recommendations: Options for Salmon Troll and Final Action on Recommendations for Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries | Robin Ehlke |
| | a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies | |
| | b. Public Comment | |
| | c. Council Action: Recommend Inseason Changes to April/May 2023 Retention Limits in the Salmon Troll Fishery, as Necessary; Adopt Public Review Options for Retention in 2023 and April/May 2024 Salmon Troll Fishery; Adopt Final Retention Limits for 2023 Fixed Gear Sablefish Fishery | |

Sunday, March 5, 2023 - continued

D. Salmon Management

- D.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Robin Ehlke
a. Fisheries Science Center Activities Steve Lindley
b. Regulatory Activities Susan Bishop
c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
d. Public Comment
e. **Council Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate
- D.2 Review of 2022 Fisheries and Summary of 2023 Stock Forecasts Robin Ehlke
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Review and Discuss Relevant Fishery Information, Adopt 2023 Abundance Forecasts and Annual Catch Limits, and Act on Relevant Conservation Objectives or Status Determinations, as Necessary

E. Habitat Issues

- E.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

Monday, March 6, 2023

8 a.m. Northwest Ballroom

- A. Call to Order (*reconvene*) Marc Gorelnik
A.5 Commencing Remarks Merrick Burden

D. Salmon Management (*continued*)

- D.3 Identify Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2023 Management Alternatives Robin Ehlke
a. Report of the Pacific Salmon Commission P. Anderson, J. North, J. Oatman
b. NMFS Recommendations Susan Bishop
c. Tribal Recommendations Joe Oatman
d. State Agencies Recommendations K. Adicks, J. North, M. Yaremko
e. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
f. Public Comment
g. **Council Action:** Adopt Council Recommendations for Initial Management Measure Alternatives for Salmon Technical Team Collation and Consider Inseason Adjustments to Fisheries Prior to May 16, 2023

Monday, March 6, 2023 – continued

F. Groundfish Management

- F.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Todd Phillips
a. Regulatory Activities Keeley Kent
b. Fisheries Science Center Activities Craig Russell
c. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
d. Public Comment
e. **Council Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate
- F.2 Implementation of the 2023 Pacific Whiting Fishery under the U.S./Canada Agreement Todd Phillips
a. Joint Management Committee Report Phil Anderson/Frank Lockhart
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Consider Necessary Actions for Implementing the 2023 Pacific Whiting Fishery
- F.3 Sablefish Pot Gear Marking - Feasibility Report Brett Wiedoff
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance on Next Steps, as Appropriate
- F.4 Non-Trawl Area Management –
Final Preferred Alternative Brett Wiedoff/Jessi Doeringhaus
(Part 1 – F.4.a and F.4.b on Monday, then continue Wednesday with F.4.c)
a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Preferred Alternative, As Appropriate

Tuesday, March 7, 2023

8 a.m.

Northwest Ballroom

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

- A.6 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Merrick Burden

G. Administrative Matters

- G.1 United States Coast Guard (USCG) Annual Report Jim Seger
a. USCG Annual Report Rear Admiral Melvin (Mel) Bouboulis
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate

H. Ecosystem Management

- H.1 California Current Ecosystem Annual Report Kit Dahl
a. California Current Ecosystem Status Report Chris Harvey, Andrew Leising
b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Review the California Current Ecosystem Status Report and Consider Ecosystem Science Review Topics for 2023

Tuesday, March 7, 2023 – continued

H. Ecosystem Management *(continued)*

- H.2 Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiative Workplan Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Discuss Initiative Workplan and Provide Guidance on Next Steps

D. Salmon Management *(continued)*

- D.4 Recommendations for 2023 Management Alternative Analysis Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Direction to the Salmon Technical Team and Salmon Advisory Subpanel on Alternative Development and Analysis

F. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- F.5 Electronic Monitoring Program Changes - Final Preferred Alternative Brett Wiedoff
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Preferred Alternative, As Appropriate
- F.6 Final Assessment Methodologies Marlene Bellman
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review and Approve Accepted Practices Guidelines, as Appropriate

Wednesday, March 8, 2023

8 a.m. Northwest Ballroom

A. Call to Order *(reconvene)*

- A.7 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Merrick Burden

F. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- F.7 Amendment 31 Groundfish Stock Definitions Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Refine the Range of Alternatives and Select a Preliminary Preferred Alternative, as Appropriate
- F.8 Workload and New Management Measure Priorities Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review the List of Proposed New Management Measures; Consider Overall Workload and Provide Guidance on Priorities and Schedules
- F.9 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 2023 as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives

Wednesday, March 8, 2023 – continued

D. Salmon Management *(continued)*

- D.5 Further Direction for 2023 Management Alternatives Robin Ehлке
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Further Council Guidance and Direction, as Necessary

F. Groundfish Management *(continued)*

- F.4 Non-Trawl Area Management -
Final Preferred Alternative Brett Wiedoff/Jessi Doeringhaus
(Part 2 - Continued from Monday)
- c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Final Preferred Alternative, As Appropriate

Thursday, March 9, 2023

8 a.m.

Northwest Ballroom

A. Call to Order *(reconvene)*

- A.8 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Merrick Burden

G. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- G.2 Report of the Office of National Marine Sanctuaries (ONMS) Kerry Griffin
- a. Report of the Director of the ONMS West Coast Regional Office Bill Douros
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate
- G.3 Marine Planning Kerry Griffin
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Marine Planning Committee Report and Provide Guidance

I. Highly Migratory Species Management

- I.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report Kit Dahl
- 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 Action:** Council Discussion and Guidance, as Appropriate

Thursday, March 9, 2023 – continued

I. Highly Migratory Species Management (*continued*)

- I.2 International Management Activities Kit Dahl
- a. Report on the Nineteenth Regular Session of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission Christa Svensson
 - b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - c. Public Comment
 - d. **Council Action:** Provide Recommendations on U.S. Positions for Upcoming Regional Fishery Management Organization Meetings and Other Forums, as Appropriate
- I.3 Drift Gillnet Hard Caps Update Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Review Updated Analysis and Recent Legislation, and Provide Guidance on Next Steps

D. Salmon Management (*continued*)

- D.6 Further Direction for 2023 Management Alternatives Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Further Council Guidance and Direction, as Necessary

Friday, March 10, 2023

8 a.m.

Northwest Ballroom

A. Call to Order (*reconvene*)

- A.9 Commencing Remarks Marc Gorelnik
Merrick Burden

D. Salmon Management (*continued*)

- D.7 Adopt 2023 Management Alternatives for Public Review Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Ocean Salmon Management Alternatives for Public Review
- D.8 Appoint Salmon Hearings Officers Robin Ehlke
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers Marc Gorelnik

G. Administrative Matters (*continued*)

- G.4 Approval of Council Meeting Record Marc Gorelnik
- a. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Record
- G.5 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures Kelly Ames
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures and Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures

G. Administrative Matters *(continued)*

- G.6 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 and Workload Planning

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**270TH SESSION OF THE PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
MARCH 4-10, 2023**

SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Day 1—Saturday, March 4, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Habitat Committee	8:00 a.m.	Olympic 3
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 12 and Online
Enforcement Consultants	2:00 p.m.	Olympic 2
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 2—Sunday, March 5, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 3
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Habitat Committee	8:00 a.m.	Olympic 3
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 12 and Online
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Olympic 2
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 3—Monday, March 6, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 3
Ad Hoc Ecosystem Workgroup	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 4
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Olympic 2
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 4—Tuesday, March 7, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Online
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Online
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Olympic 2
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 5—Wednesday, March 8, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 13
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Online
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Online
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Online
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 6—Thursday, March 9, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Online
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Online
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 5-6
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Online
Tribal Policy Group Breakout	As Necessary	Cascade 7-8 and 9-10
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Cascade 11

Day 7—Friday, March 10, 2023

	Time	How to Attend
Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 1-2
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 2
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Cascade 4-6
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Evergreen 1
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 a.m.	Cascade 3-4

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