

## FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

This agenda item is intended to refine general planning for future Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) meetings with a focus on finalizing the proposed agenda for the September 2024 Council meeting in Spokane, Washington. The following primary attachments are intended to help facilitate Council planning:

1. Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance - An abbreviated display of potential agenda items for the next five Council meetings (Attachment 1). Several agenda items have impacts that span across multiple Fishery Management Plans (FMPs) and are labeled “Cross FMP.” The second page of Attachment 1 includes acronyms and the proposed Advisory Body meeting schedule and format for the September and November 2024 Council meetings. This proposal may be modified in supplemental documents, pending the Budget Committee recommendations and Council action under Agenda Item C.4 Fiscal Matters.
2. A preliminary proposed abbreviated display of the September 2024 Council meeting agenda (Attachment 2).

The Executive Director will assist the Council in reviewing the proposed agenda materials and discussing any other matters relevant to Council meeting agendas and workload. After considering supplemental material provided at the Council meeting, and any reports and comments from advisory bodies and public, the Council will provide guidance for future agenda development, the proposed September Council meeting agenda, and workload priorities for Council staff and advisory bodies.

At the April 2024 meeting, the Council expressed interest in scoping changes to the canary rockfish allocations in the groundfish fisheries. Options include considering the topic as part of the Trawl Catch Share and Intersector Allocation Review, separate two or three meeting process, or built into the development of the 2027-28 harvest specifications and management measures process. Council staff intend to work with the Groundfish Management Team to further develop the options for Council consideration under the Workload New Management Measures discussion in March 2025.

Additionally, at the April Council meeting, a Council member requested summaries of the data available to inform stock assessments, referred to as the data collection enterprise ([Agenda Item G.4.a, Supplemental Council Member Report 1, April 2024](#)). In response, staff from the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife (ODFW) summarized the data available to inform groundfish stock assessments (Agenda Item C.7.b, ODFW Report).

### **Council Action:**

1. **Review pertinent information and provide guidance on potential agenda topics for future Council meetings.**
2. **Provide final guidance on the proposed September agenda and plans for future Council meetings.**
3. **Identify priorities for advisory body workload considerations.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.7, Attachment 1: Pacific Council Workload Planning: Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance Summary.
2. Agenda Item C.7, Attachment 2: Draft Proposed Council Meeting Quick Reference Agenda, September 2024.
3. Agenda Item C.7.a, ODFW Report: Report on Data Availability to Inform Groundfish Stock Assessments.
4. If received, Public Comments are Electronic Only ([see e-portal](#)).

Agenda Order:

- C.7 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

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