

PROPOSED AGENDA

# Groundfish Advisory Subpanel

Pacific Fishery Management Council  
Hilton Vancouver  
Heritage D  
301 West 6<sup>th</sup> Street  
Vancouver, WA 98660  
March 5-9, 2025

This Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) meeting will be held in person and is open to the public. Pertinent information will be posted on the Council's [meeting webpage](#) prior to the meeting. A dedicated public comment agenda item has been scheduled for each day. Additional public comments may be taken at the discretion of the Chair. Dates and times on this agenda are subject to change once the meeting begins. Breaks will be taken as necessary, at the discretion of the Chair. Agenda items listed under the GAP Administrative Matters are in numerical order; other agenda items reflect their Council Meeting Agenda numbering. Times not specified for discussion and/or presentations will be allocated to the Advisory Body's drafting and reviewing of statements, reports, etc.

## Wednesday, March 5 – 8:00 AM

### GAP Administrative Matters

1. Roll Call, Introductions, Announcements, etc. Susan Chambers, Chair
2. Opening Remarks and Agenda Overview Jessi Waller
3. Approve Agenda GAP
4. Elections (*closed session*)

### C. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Annual Report of the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC)  
(8:30 a.m.; continue discussion from webinar; Report to Council Thursday, March 6)
2. Incidental Catch Recommendations: Options for Salmon Troll and Final Action for Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries  
(9:00 a.m.; continue discussion from webinar; Report to Council Thursday, March 6)

### H. Groundfish Management

2. Humpback Whale and Leatherback Sea Turtle Biological Opinion  
(10:00 a.m.; continue discussion from webinar; Report to Council, Saturday, March 8)
3. Implementation of the 2025 Pacific Whiting Fishery under the U.S./Canada Agreement and 2025 Fishery  
(1:00 p.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council Saturday, March 8) Todd Phillips

8. Workload and New Management Measures Priorities Todd Phillips  
(2:15 p.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council, Sunday, March 9)

**Public Comment Period**

(3:45 p.m. or immediately following the previous agenda item)

**Thursday, March 6, 2025 – 8:00 AM**

**H. Groundfish Management (continued)**

9. Inseason Adjustments – Final Todd Phillips  
(8:15 a.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)
4. Final Assessment Methodologies Marlene A. Bellman  
(9:15 a.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council Saturday, March 8)

**D. Cross Fishery Management Plan**

2. Marine Planning Kerry Griffin  
(10:15 a.m.; Report to Council Friday, March 7)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

5. Draft and Review Statements  
(11:15 p.m.)

**H. Groundfish Management (continued)**

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report Keeley Kent/Craig Russell  
(1:00 p.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council Saturday, March 8)
7. Limited Entry Fixed Gear Actions: Gear Endorsements, Cost Recovery,  
and Other Administrative Changes Jessi Waller  
(2:00 p.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in Heritage D; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)

**Public Comment Period**

(3:00 p.m. or immediately following the previous agenda item)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

6. Draft and Review Statements  
(3:15 p.m.)
7. Advisory Body Briefing Kelly Ames  
(4:00 p.m.; Joint GMT/GAP session in GAP room)

**Friday, March 7, 2025 – 8:00 AM**

**H. Groundfish Management (continued)**

6. Phase 2 Stock Definitions Todd Phillips

(8:15 a.m.; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)

5. Cordell Bank Conservation Area Revisions- Final  
(10:15 a.m.; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)

Jessi Waller

**Public Comment Period**

(11:00 a.m. or immediately following previous agenda item)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

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(11:15 a.m.)

**H. Groundfish Management (continued)**

7. Limited Entry Fixed Gear Actions: Gear Endorsements, Cost Recovery, and Other Administrative Changes  
(2:30 p.m.; continue discussion; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

9. Draft and Review Statements  
(3:30 p.m.)

**Saturday, March 8, 2025 – 8:00 AM**

**H. Groundfish Management (continued)**

7. Phase 2 Stock Definitions  
(8:15 a.m.; continue discussion; Report to Council Sunday, March 9)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

10. Draft and Review Statements  
(9:15 a.m.)

**Public Comment Period**

(1:30 p.m.)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

11. Draft and Review Statements  
(1:45 p.m.)

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**Sunday, March 9, 2025 – 8:00 AM**

**J. Administrative Matters**

4. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

Jessi Waller

(8:00 a.m.; Report to Council Tuesday, March 11)

**Public Comment Period**

(9:00 a.m.)

**GAP Administrative Matters (continued)**

12. Draft and Review Statements

(9:15 a.m.)

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