

MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

During this agenda item, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) considers administrative appointment issues regarding the Council's Membership Roster, including Council and Advisory Body members, and any relevant changes in the Council Operating Procedures (COP).

Council Officers, Members, and Designees

There were no changes to the Council's membership roster submitted for the advanced briefing book production.

Council Advisory Body Appointments

At the November 2024 meeting, the Council made numerous advisory body appointments for the 2025-27 term (see [November Decision Summary Document](#)). Some positions remained vacant due to a lack of applications and were subsequently readvertised. The following nominations were received by the February 5, 2025 deadline.

Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel (EAS)

Oregon at-large (*1 position*)

- Mr. Scott McMullen

At-large (*1 position*)

- Mr. Eugene Donovan
- Mr. Mark Alan Lovewell

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP)

At-Large Trawl Fisheries (*1 position*)

- Mr. Chris Cooper

Oregon Charter Boat Operator (*1 position*)

- Mr. Andy Martin

1 Tribal Fisheries (*1 position*)

- No applications received

Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS)

Commercial south of Point Conception (*1 position*)

- Ms. Joshlyn Cardoza
- Mr. Chad McClintock
- Mr. Tim Mulcahy

Northern Charter Boat Operator (1 position)

- Mr. Tim Gillespie
- Mr. Jon Yokomizo

Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)

At-Large (2 positions)

- No applications received

Ad Hoc Committees

Council Operating Procedure 8 outlines the process for creating, operating, and terminating Ad Hoc Committees. Ad Hoc Committees are created to address specific or short-term issues and are intended to be in place for a limited duration. The Committees are created and terminated by vote of the Council. The Council should review the current list of Ad Hoc Committees and dissolve Committees who have accomplished their charge (Agenda Item J.3, Attachment 1). Where appropriate, the Council may update a committee's charge to align with its current objectives.

In response to [Executive Order 14173](#), Chair Pettinger removed all members from the Equity and Environmental Justice Committee. In March, the Council should act to formally disband the Committee consistent with the Executive Order.

The National Marine Fisheries Service is no longer expected to issue a proposed rule to modify Standard Guidelines (NS) 4, 8, and 9 which ensure fair and equitable allocation of fishery resources (Standard 4), consider the economic impact of management decisions on fishing communities (Standard 8), and minimize bycatch and bycatch mortality (Standard 9). Accordingly, the Council should act to dissolve the NS Guideline Committee.

Council Operating Procedures

There were no changes to the Council Operating Procedures submitted for the advanced briefing book production.

Council Action:

1. **Appoint representatives to the EAS.**
2. **Appoint representatives to the GAP.**
3. **Appoint representatives to the HMSAS.**
4. **Provide guidance to staff regarding the vacant GAP and SSC positions.**
5. **Review existing Ad Hoc Committees and determine whether to maintain, dissolve, or revise their charges, as appropriate.**
6. **Disband the EEJC and NS Guideline Ad Hoc Committees.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item J.3, Attachment 1: Current List of PFMC Ad Hoc Committees.
2. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 1: EAS Nominations.
3. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 2: GAP Nominations.
4. Closed Session A.1, Attachment 3: HMSAS Nominations.
5. If received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see [e-portal](#)).

Agenda Order:

- J.3 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, As Appropriate

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