

PROPOSED AGENDA

# Scientific and Statistical Committee

Pacific Fishery Management Council  
Multnomah Room

[Hyatt Regency Oregon Convention Center](#)

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April 3, 2026 - **Online**

April 6-7, 2026 - **In Person**

This Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meeting is open to the public and a dedicated public comment period has been scheduled. Additional public comments may be taken at the Chair's discretion. Pertinent information will be posted to the Council's [April 2026 meeting webpage](#) prior to the meeting. This meeting is being conducted in-person with a web broadcast and the opportunity for remote public comment.

Times on this agenda are subject to change once the meeting begins. Agenda items listed under SSC 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 SSC's drafting and reviewing of statements, reports, etc.

Committee member work assignments are noted in parentheses at the end of each agenda item. The first name listed is the discussion leader and the second, the rapporteur.

## Friday, April 3, 2026 – 8:30 AM - **ONLINE**

### SSC Administrative Matters

1. Roll Call, Introductions, Announcements, etc. Galen Johnson
2. Report of the Executive Director Merrick Burden
3. Day 1 Recusals

### C. Groundfish Management

3. Widow Rockfish Alternative Harvest Control Rule - Part 1 Jessi Waller  
(9:00 a.m.; **Rovellini; Free**; Report to the Council Thursday, April 9)

Break (10:15-10:30 am)

### PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

10:30 a.m. (or immediately following SSC 7. Open Discussion)

Public comments, including comments on issues not on the agenda, are accepted at this time.

C. Groundfish Management (*continued*)

4. Harvest Specifications for 2027-28 Fisheries

Jessi Waller

(10:45 a.m.; **Berger; Werner**; Report to the Council Friday, April 10)

SSC Administrative Matters (*continued*; 11:15)

4. Approve Agenda and November 2025 Minutes

5. Subcommittee Assignments - Current assignments listed at the end of agenda

6. Day 2 & 3 Recusals and Council Floor Statement Planning

7. Open Discussion

LUNCH (12:00-1:00 pm)

D. Salmon Management

3. Sacramento River Fall Chinook Revised Spawner Abundance at  
Maximum Sustainable Yield - Terms of Reference

Angela Forristall

(1:00 p.m.; **Holland; Schaffler**; Report to the Council on Wednesday, April 8)

I. Administrative Matters

1. Membership Appointments (SSC Closed Session)

(2:00 p.m. Appointments report to the Council in Closed Session Wednesday, April 8)

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**Monday, April 6, 2026 – 8 AM - IN PERSON**

SSC Administrative Matters (*continued*)

7. Open Discussion (continued)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD  
8:30 a.m. (or immediately following SSC 8. Draft and Review Statements)  
Public comments, including comments on issues not on the agenda, are accepted at this time.

C. Groundfish Management (*continued*)

3. Widow Rockfish Alternative Harvest Control Rule - Part 2  
(8:45 a.m.; **Rovellini; Free**; Report to the Council Thursday, April 9)

Jessi Waller

BREAK (9:45 – 10:00 a.m.)

D. Salmon Management (*continued*)

5. Methodology Review Preliminary Topic Selection (Part 1)  
a. SSC review and initial discussion  
(10:00 a.m.; **Copeland; Tsou**; Report to the Council on Thursday, April 9)

F. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report  
(11:00 am)
5. Fishery Management Plan Amendment – Sardine Stock  
Definition and Fishery Management Unit Revision                      Katrina Bernaus  
(11:30 a.m.; **Hinton; Satterthwaite**; Report to the Council Friday, April 10)

LUNCH (12:30 – 2:00 p.m.)

2. Methodology Review: Integrated West Coast Pelagics Survey  
(2:00 p.m.; **Field; Punt**; Report to the Council on Thursday, April 9)

BREAK (3:00 – 3:15 p.m.)

SSC Administrative Matters (*continued*)

8. Draft and Review Statements

**Tuesday, April 7, 2026 – 8 AM - IN PERSON**

SSC Administrative Matters (*continued*)

8. Draft and Review Statements

I. Administrative Matters (*continued*)

2. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

a. June 2026 Agendas and Year-at-a-Glance (YAG) review

b. Subcommittee updates

(9:00 a.m.; **Ames; Johnson;** Report to the Council Sunday, April 12)

BREAK (9:45 – 10:00 a.m.)

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

11:00 a.m. (or immediately following SSC 10. Draft and Review Statements)

Public comments, including comments on issues not on the agenda, are accepted at this time.

F. Coastal Pelagic Species Management (*continued*)

4. Pacific Sardine Specifications and Management Measures for  
2026-27 – Final Action

(11:15 a.m.; **Budrick; Hamel;** Report to the Council on Thursday, April 9)

LUNCH (12:15 – 1:45 p.m.)

D. Salmon Management (*continued*)

5. Methodology Review Preliminary Topic Selection (Part 2)

a. Joint STT session

Michael O'Farrell/Jon Carey

b. SSC discussion and statement review

(1:45 p.m.; **Copeland; Tsou;** Report to the Council on Thursday, April 9)

BREAK (2:45 – 3:00 p.m.)

SSC Administrative Matters (*continued*)

10. Draft and Review Statements

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## SSC Subcommittee Assignments

<b>Salmon</b>	<b>Groundfish</b>	<b>Coastal Pelagic Species</b>	<b>Highly Migratory Species</b>	<b>Economics</b>	<b>Ecosystem-Based Management</b>
<b>Jason Schaffler</b>	<b>John Field</b> (Chair)	<b>André Punt</b>	<b>Michael Hinton</b>	<b>Dan Holland</b>	<b>Chris Free</b>
John Budrick	<b>Cheryl Barnes</b> (Vice-Chair)	Aaron Berger	Cheryl Barnes	Chris Free	Cheryl Barnes
Tim Copeland	Aaron Berger	John Budrick	Aaron Berger	Michael Hinton	Tim Copeland
Owen Hamel	John Budrick	John Field	John Field	André Punt	John Field
Galen Johnson	Owen Hamel	Owen Hamel	Dan Holland	Matthew Reimer	Dan Holland
Will Satterthwaite	André Punt	Michael Hinton	André Punt		Galen Johnson
	Alberto Rovellini	Tien-Shui Tsou	Matthew Reimer		André Punt
	Jason Schaffler	Cisco Werner	Cisco Werner		Matthew Reimer
	Tien-Shui Tsou				Alberto Rovellini
					Will Satterthwaite
					Cisco Werner

**Bold** denotes Subcommittee Chair

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