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 agendas for the March and April 2026 Council meetings in Sacramento, California and Portland, Oregon. The following attachments are intended to help facilitate Council planning:

1. Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance (YAG) - An abbreviated display of potential agenda items for the next five Council meetings (Attachment 1). Several agenda items affect multiple Fishery Management Plans (FMPs) and are labeled "Cross FMP." Shaded items on the YAG indicate uncertainty regarding the availability of materials needed for the advanced briefing book, which is essential for supporting Council action. The uncertainty is related to the Council and National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) staff capacity and complexity of the action. The Executive Director will suggest removing the shading from an item if or when clarity arises regarding staff capacity to commit to the agenda item as scheduled. The second page of Attachment 1 includes acronyms and the proposed 2026 Advisory Body meeting schedule and meeting formats.
2. Quick Reference - A preliminary proposed abbreviated display of the March and April 2026 Council meeting agendas (Attachments 2 and 3).

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 March and April Council meeting agendas, and workload priorities for Council staff and advisory bodies.

Council Action:

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

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 1: Pacific Council Workload Planning: Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance Summary.
2. Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 2: Draft Proposed Council Meeting Quick Reference Agenda, March 2026.
3. Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 3: Draft Proposed Council Meeting Quick Reference Agenda, April 2026.
4. If received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

C.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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