

212th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council March 2-7, 2012



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Proposed March 2012 Council Meeting Agenda Summary						
Wednesday & Thursday February 29-March 1	Friday March 2	Saturday March 3	Sunday March 4	Monday March 5	Tuesday March 6	Wednesday March 7
<i>Advisory Body Meetings – schedule begins on page 8</i>	8:00 am General Session	Coastal Pelagic Species Management	Salmon Management	Pacific Halibut Management	Groundfish Management	Groundfish Management
	Highly Migratory Species Management	Habitat Issues		Groundfish Management		Groundfish Management
		Closed Session			Groundfish Management	
	Open Comment Period	Groundfish Management	Pacific Halibut Management	Salmon Management		Salmon Management

Schedule of Ancillary Meetings begins on page 8

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings beginning on page eight for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions scheduled throughout the week of February 29 through March 7, 2012.

Proposed Detailed Agenda begins on next page

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda; however the order of the agenda items may change as required to effectively address the issues.



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Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Friday, March 2, 2012

Doubletree Hotel Sacramento
Grand Ballroom

8:00 am **General Council Session**

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Dan Wolford, Chairman |
| A.2 | Roll Call | Don McIsaac |
| A.3 | Executive Director's Report | Don McIsaac |
| A.4 | Agenda | Dan Wolford |
| a. | Council Action: Approve Agenda | |

B. Highly Migratory Species Management

B.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report

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| a. | Agenda Item Overview | Kit Dahl |
| b. | Regulatory Activities | Mark Helvey |
| c. | Fisheries Science Center Activities | Russ Vetter |
| d. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| e. | Public Comment | |
| f. | Council Discussion | |

B.2 Update on and Recommendations for International Management Activities

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| a. | Agenda Item Overview | Kit Dahl |
| b. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| c. | Public Comment | |
| d. | Council Action: Consider and Adopt Recommendations on International Management Activities Concerning a Management Framework for Albacore Tuna and the U.S.-Canada Treaty | |

B.3 Swordfish Management Data Report and Future Management Recommendations

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| a. | Agenda Item Overview | Kit Dahl |
| b. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| c. | Public Comment | |
| d. | Council Action: Consider Available Management Data and Determine Whether or Not to Proceed Toward Developing a West Coast Fishery | |

C. Open Comment Period

C.1 Comments on Non-Agenda Items

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| a. | Advisory Body and Management Entity Comments |
| b. | Public Comment |
| c. | Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate |

Saturday, March 3, 2012

8:00 am

Grand Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dan Wolford

A.5 Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

D. Coastal Pelagic Species Management

D.1 Exempted Fishing Permits (EFP) for 2012

a. Agenda Item Overview

Kerry Griffin

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt EFP Proposals for Public Review

E. Habitat

E.1 Current Habitat Issues

a. Agenda Item Overview

Jennifer Gilden

b. Report of the Habitat Committee

Joel Kawahara

c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

d. Public Comment

e. **Council Action:** Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations

Closed Executive Session

This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

F. Groundfish Management

F.1 Planning and Necessary Actions for the 2012-2013 Pacific Whiting Fishing Seasons, Including Potential Impacts from the Pacific Dawn Litigation

a. Agenda Item Overview

John DeVore

b. NMFS Briefing

Frank Lockhart

c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

d. Public Comment

e. **Council Action:** Council Decisions and Planning as Necessary for Implementation of the 2012-2013 Pacific Whiting Fishing Seasons

F.2 Briefing on and Limited Actions for Emerging Issues in the 2013-2014 Biennial Specifications Process

a. Agenda Item Overview

John DeVore and Kelly Ames

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Consider and Adopt Preferred Alternatives for Emerging Issues, Including Specifications for the Other Fish Stock Complex and Lingcod

Sunday, March 4, 2012

8:00 am

Grand Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dan Wolford

A.6 Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

G. Salmon Management

G.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Regulatory Activities

Bob Turner

c. Fisheries Science Center Activities

Pete Lawson

d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

e. Public Comment

f. Council Discussion

G.2 Review of 2011 Fisheries and Summary of 2012 Stock Abundance Forecasts

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Review and Discuss Relevant Fishery Information and Act on Relevant Status Determinations, 2012 Abundance Forecasts, and Annual Catch Limits as Necessary

G.3 Rebuilding Plan Consideration for Sacramento Fall Chinook and Strait of Juan de Fuca Coho

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt Rebuilding Plans for Sacramento Fall Chinook and Strait of Juan de Fuca Coho as Necessary

G.4 Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2012 Salmon Management Alternatives

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Report of the Pacific Salmon Commission

Gordy Williams

c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

d. Public Comment

e. Council Recommendations for Initial Alternatives for Salmon Technical Team Collation and Description

H. Pacific Halibut Management

H.1 Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission Meeting

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Meeting Summary

Gway Kirchner

c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

d. Public Comment

e. Council Discussion

Sunday, March 4, 2012 (continued)

H. Pacific Halibut Management (continued)

H.2 Incidental Catch Recommendations for the Salmon Troll and Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt Public Review Options for 2012

Monday, March 5, 2012

8:00 am

Grand Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dan Wolford

A.7 Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

H. Pacific Halibut Management (continued)

H.3 Update on Review of Pacific Halibut Management under the National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) and Status of Preliminary Alternatives for Incidental Catch Retention of Pacific Halibut in the Limited Entry Fixed Gear Sablefish Fisheries

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on the Review, Scheduling, and Further Development of Alternatives for Analysis

F. Groundfish Management (continued)

F.3 National Marine Fisheries Service Report

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kelly Ames
- b. Regulatory Activities Frank Lockhart
- c. Fisheries Science Center Activities Michelle McClure, John Stein
- d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- e. Public Comment
- f. Council Discussion

F.4 Scoping for Amendment 24: Improvements to the Groundfish Management Process

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kit Dahl
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Provide Direction for Development and Scheduling of the Amendment 24 Process

F.5 Stock Assessment Planning for Management Specifications in the 2015-2016 Fisheries

- a. Agenda Item Overview John DeVore
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Guidance for three Terms of Reference, a List of

Stocks to be Assessed, and an Assessment Schedule

Monday, March 5, 2012 (continued)

G. Salmon Management (continued)

G.5 Council Recommendations for 2012 Management Alternative Analysis

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Direction to the Salmon Technical Team and Salmon Advisory Subpanel on Alternative Development and Analysis

Tuesday, March 6, 2012

8:00 am

Grand Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dan Wolford

- A.8 Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

F. Groundfish Management (continued)

F.6 Consideration of Inseason Adjustments

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kelly Ames
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations for Adjustments to 2012 Groundfish Fisheries

F.7 Harvest Set-Aside Flexibility

- a. Agenda Item Overview John DeVore
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt Preliminary Alternatives for Managing the Distribution of Unused Harvest Set-Asides

F.8 Trawl Rationalization Trailing Actions and Allocation Amendments and Actions

- a. Agenda Item Overview Jim Seger
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Refine and Adopt Appropriate Actions and Preliminary Preferred Alternatives as needed (continues on Wednesday)

G. Salmon Management (continued)

G.6 Scoping of Amendment 17: Updating Salmon Essential Fish Habitat (EFH)

- a. Agenda Item Overview Kerry Griffin
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on Development and Scheduling of Preliminary Alternatives for Changes to Salmon EFH and Other Issues as Appropriate

G.7 Further Council Direction for 2012 Management Alternatives

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Guidance and Direction

Wednesday, March, 7, 2012

8:00 am

Grand Ballroom

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dan Wolford

A.9 Commencing Remarks

Don McIsaac

F. Groundfish Management (continued)

F.8 Trawl Rationalization Trailing Actions and Allocation Amendments and Actions

(This item is a continuation from the Tuesday Session)

I. Administrative Matters

I.1 Approval of Council Meeting Minutes

a. Council Member Review and Comments

Dan Wolford

b. **Council Action:** Approve April and November 2011 Council Meeting Minutes

I.2 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures

a. Agenda Item Overview

John Coon

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Consider Changes to Council Operations and Procedures and Appointments to Advisory Bodies

I.3 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

a. Agenda Item Overview

Don McIsaac

b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

G. Salmon Management (continued)

G.8 Adoption of 2012 Management Alternatives for Public Review

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Adopt Management Alternatives for Public Review

G.9 Salmon Hearings Officers

a. Agenda Item Overview

Chuck Tracy

b. **Council Action:** Appoint Hearings Officers

Dan Wolford

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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Day 1—Wednesday, February 29, 2012

	Time	Location
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 am	Sacramento Room

Day 2—Thursday, March 1, 2012

	Time	
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 am	Sacramento Room
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 am	Capitol Salon A

Day 3—Friday, March 2, 2012

	Time	
Council Secretariat	11:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 am	California Salon 2
Habitat Committee	8:00 am	Capitol Salon B
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 am	Capitol Salon A
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	1:00 pm	Capitol Salon C
Enforcement Consultants	4:30 pm	Sacramento Room

Day 4—Saturday, March 3, 2012

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 am	California Salon 2
SSC Economic Subcommittee	8:30 am	Capitol Salon A
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	California Salon 4
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 am	California Salon 3
Chairman’s Reception	6:00 pm	Capitol Salon B and Foyer
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Sacramento Room
Tribal Policy Group	As Necessary	Terrace Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Garden Room

Day 5—Sunday, March 4, 2012

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D

Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 am	California Salon 2
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	California Salon 4
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 am	California Salon 3
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Sacramento Room
Tribal Policy Group	As Necessary	Terrace Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Garden Room

Day 6—Monday, March 5, 2012

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 am	California Salon 2
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	California Salon 4
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 am	California Salon 3
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Sacramento Room
Tribal Policy Group	As Necessary	Terrace Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Garden Room

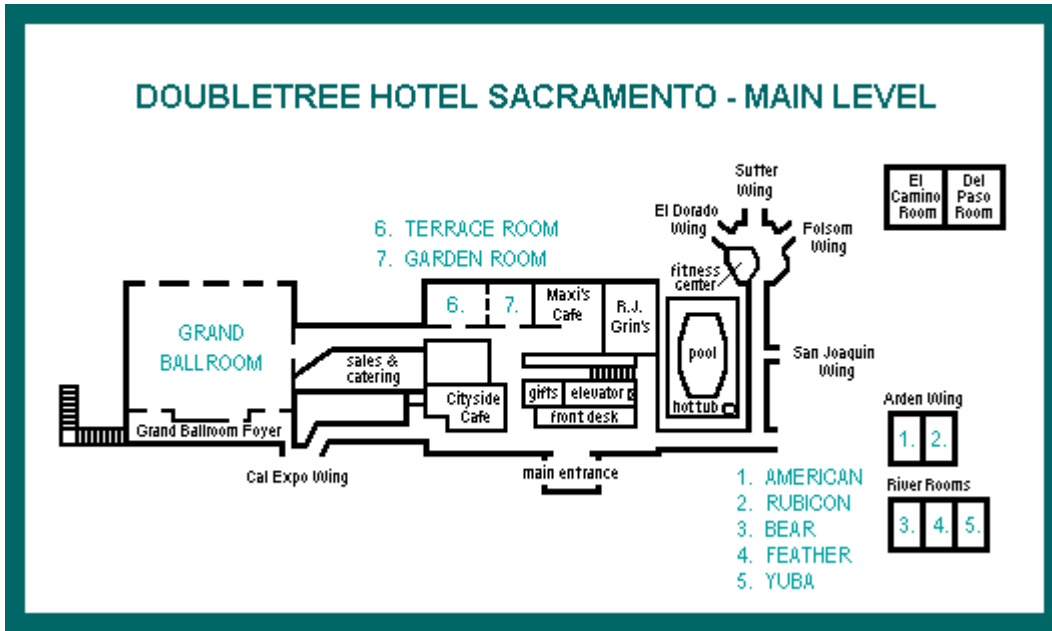
Day 7—Tuesday, March 6, 2011

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 am	California Salon 2
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	California Salon 4
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 am	California Salon 3
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Sacramento Room
Tribal Policy Group	As Necessary	Terrace Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Garden Room

Day 8—Wednesday, March 7, 2011

Council Secretariat	7:00 am	California Salon 1
California State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 am	California Salon 4
Washington State Delegation	7:00 am	Capitol Salon D
Salmon Advisory Subpanel	8:00 am	California Salon 4
Salmon Technical Team	8:00 am	California Salon 3
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Sacramento Room
Tribal Policy Group	As Necessary	Terrace Room
Tribal and Washington Technical Group	As Necessary	Garden Room

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