

## MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

During this Agenda Item the Council has the opportunity to consider changes in the Council Membership Roster, including Council Members, advisory body membership, and also any relevant changes in Council Operating Procedures (COP) or the Council's Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures (SOPP). At this meeting the Council will also make decisions about advisory body structure and membership for the new 2013-2015 term.

### Council Members and Designees, Standing Council Member Committee Appointments, and Appointments to Other Forums

No new resignations, nominations, or other changes were identified by the Briefing Book deadline.

### Current Term Council Advisory Body Appointments

No new resignations, nominations, or other changes were identified by the Briefing Book deadline. The Council's advisory bodies include the Scientific and Statistical Committee, five technical/management teams and five subpanels (one each for the groundfish, salmon, coastal pelagic species, highly migratory species, and ecosystem plan), Enforcement Consultants, Groundfish Allocation Committee, Habitat Committee, Groundfish Essential Fish Habitat Committee, and various ad hoc committees.

### Changes to Council Operations and Procedures

#### *Proposed COP 23 for CPS Exempted Fishing Permit Consideration*

At the April 2012 meeting, the Council asked that a clear and efficient process for reviewing and approving exempted fishing permits be developed for coastal pelagic species management. Council staff developed a proposed COP which was adopted for advisory body and public review at the September 2012 Council meeting (reproduced for this meeting as Agenda Item G.2.a, Attachment 1). At this meeting the Council will consider final approval of COP 23 during Agenda Item G.2.

#### *Proposed Addition of a Tribal Member to the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT)*

The Quinault Indian Nation successfully entered the Pacific sardine fishery in 2012 and intends to continue exercising its right to do so in the future. In view of this new activity, they believe it would be mutually beneficial to add a tribal member to the CPSMT. Therefore, the Quinault Indian Nation is proposing the Council create a tribal position on the CPSMT (Attachment 1). Currently, the CPSMT has eight members and the Council could add a position if they deem it necessary. The Quinault Indian Nation has also nominated Mr. Alan Sarich to fill the tribal

position in the event that the Council would like to move forward on this at the November meeting. His Curriculum Vita is provided in Closed Session A.1.a, Attachment 1.

### *Changes to Advisory Body Membership for the 2013-2015 Term*

At the September 2012 meeting, the Council adopted some changes to the membership criteria in COP 2 (Advisory Subpanels). The Council changed the trawl fisheries membership in the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) from one trawl representative for each state to one at-large, one bottom, and one midwater trawl representative. The second change was to allow waiving the requirement that the tribal representatives to the GAP and Salmon Advisory Subpanel must be active in the tribal fishery.

### **Selection of Advisory Body Members for the 2013-2015 Term**

The Council is scheduled to select advisory body members for the 2013-2015 Advisory Body Term for the:

- Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS)—all 10 members
- Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel (EAS)—all 9 members
- Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP)—all 20 members
- Highly Migratory Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS)—all 13 members
- Salmon Advisory Subpanel (SAS)—all 15 members
- Habitat Committee (HC)—4 non-agency members, the Northwest or Columbia River tribal member, and the California tribal member
- Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC)—7 at-large members

A complete listing of all nominees for the positions that were received by the briefing book deadline is provided in Attachment 2. Closed Session A.1.a, Attachments 3 through 10 contain the actual nominations or supporting letters, compiled separately for each advisory body and listed alphabetically by nominee within each body. In Closed Session, the SSC will provide its recommendations regarding SSC nominees.

At the time of Briefing Book preparation, there were no nominations for the following positions:

- 1 California at-large position on the EAS
- 1 Tribal position on the GAP
- 1 Northwest or Columbia River tribal position on the HC
- 1 Idaho sport position on the SAS
- 1 Washington coastal tribal position on the SAS

### **Council Action:**

**Consider the following operational, appointment, and membership changes:**

- 1. Incorporation into the COP of final action on COP 23 as adopted under Agenda Item G.2.**
- 2. The Quinault Indian Nation request for a tribal seat on the CPSMT and the nomination of Mr. Alan Sarich to that seat.**
- 3. The nominees for each advisory body position for the 2013-2015 term.**
- 4. Any necessary action to solicit additional nominees.**

Reference Materials:

1. Attachment 1: Letter from the Qunault Indian Nation requesting a seat on the CPSMT and nominating Mr. Alan Sarich to that seat.
2. Attachment 2: Complete Listing of Nominations for the 2013-2015 Advisory Body Term.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview Chuck Tracy
- 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 Including Changes and Nominees for the 2013-2015 Term.

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