

PROPOSED AGENDA
Scientific and Statistical Committee

Pacific Fishery Management Council
Hilton Orange County/Costa Mesa Hotel
Balboa Bay 2 Room
3050 Bristol Street
Costa Mesa, California 92626
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November 2-3, 2012

Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) meetings are open to the public, and public comments will be accepted during the scheduled public comment period. Public comment at times other than the established public comment period will be taken at the discretion of the SSC chair.

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. A suggestion for the amount of time each agenda item should take is provided. At the time the agenda is approved, priorities can be set and these times revised. Discussion leaders should determine whether more or less time is required and request the agenda be amended.

FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 2, 2012 – 8 AM

A. *Call to Order and Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) Administrative Matters*

1. Introductions
2. Report of the Executive Director Dr. Donald McIsaac
3. Approve Agenda and September 2012 Minutes
4. Subcommittee Assignments - Current assignments are listed at the end of this agenda.
5. Open Discussion and Future Meeting Planning
(8 a.m., 1.5 hours) *No Report to Council*

F. *Council Administrative Matters*

3. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures (SSC Closed Session)
(9:30 a.m., 1.5 hours) *Report to Council – Council Closed Session, Saturday*
4. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
Consider recommending a Pacific sardine Management Strategy Evaluation André Punt
(11 a.m., 0.5 hours, **Huppert, Conser**) *Report to Council – Wednesday*

G. *Coastal Pelagic Species Management*

2. Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) Process
Review EFP process changes (Council Operating Procedure 23) Kerry Griffin
(11:30 a.m., 0.5 hours, **Punt, Huppert**) *Report to Council – Sunday*

LUNCH

G. Coastal Pelagic Species Management, continued

3. Pacific Sardine Assessment and Management for 2013, Including Preliminary EFP Proposals and Tribal Set-Aside

Consider recommending the West Coast Vancouver Island survey for use in future stock assessments

André Punt

Consider recommending the Pacific sardine stock assessment

Kevin Hill

Recommend a 2013 OFL and ABC for Pacific sardine

Review any preliminary proposal or notice of intent for EFPs in 2013

(1 p.m., 2 hours, **Conser, Garza**) *Report to Council – Sunday*

C. Salmon Management

3. 2012 Salmon Methodology Review

Final methodology changes for 2013

(3 p.m., 1 hour, **Petrosky, Lawson**) *Report to Council – Saturday*

I. Groundfish Management

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report

Timing for implementing recommended discard mortality rates for longnose skate and spiny dogfish

John DeVore

(4 p.m., 0.5 hours, **Tsou, Gertseva**) *Report to Council – Sunday*

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

4:00 p.m. (or immediately following Agenda Item I.1)

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

A. SSC Administrative Matters, Continued

6. Review Statements

(4:30 p.m. or following public comment period)

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2012

A. SSC Administrative Matters, continued

7. Review Statements
(8 a.m., 1 hour)

8. Review terms of reference for data-moderate stock assessments
and review process John DeVore
(9 a.m., 0.5 hours, **Gertseva, Dorn**) *No Report to Council – provide guidance to staff*

I. Groundfish Management, continued

2. Amendment 24 (Improvements to the Groundfish Management Process) Kit Dahl
Adopt range of alternatives and a preliminary preferred alternative
(9:30 a.m., 1 hour, **Botford, Sampson**) *Report to Council – Monday*

3. Progress Report on Using Descending Devices to Mitigate Barotrauma
in Recreational Fisheries John Budrick
Review progress report and comment on the science informing
management options
(10:30 a.m., 1.5 hours, **Tsou, Botsford**) *Report to Council – Monday*

LUNCH

K. Ecosystem Based Management

1. Fishery Ecosystem Plan (FEP) Mike Burner
Review and comment on draft FEP for public review version.
(1 p.m., 1 hour, **Lee, Heppell**) *Report to Council – Tuesday*

2. Integrated Ecosystem Assessment Implementation Report Phil Levin
(2 p.m., 1 hour, **Heppell, Punt**) *Joint Session with the Groundfish Management Team,*
Report to Council – Tuesday

3. California Current Ecosystem Report John Field
Review and comment on the annual report and its application.
(3 p.m., 1 hour, **Conrad, Thompson**) *Joint Session with the Groundfish Management*
Team, Report to Council – Tuesday

A. SSC Administrative Matters, continued

9. Review Statements
(4 p.m.)

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SSC Subcommittee Assignments, November 2012

Salmon	Groundfish	Coastal Pelagic Species	Highly Migratory Species	Economic	Ecosystem-Based Management
Robert Conrad	Vlada Gertseva	André Punt	Ray Conser	Cindy Thomson	Loo Botsford
Loo Botsford	Loo Botsford	Ray Conser	Robert Conrad	Vlada Gertseva	Ray Conser
Carlos Garza	Ray Conser	Carlos Garza	Selina Heppell	Dan Huppert	Martin Dorn
Owen Hamel	Martin Dorn	Owen Hamel	André Punt	Todd Lee	Vlada Gertseva
Meisha Key	Owen Hamel	Selina Heppell		André Punt	Selina Heppell
Pete Lawson	André Punt	Dan Huppert		David Sampson	Pete Lawson
Charlie Petrosky	David Sampson	Meisha Key			Todd Lee
	Tien-Shui Tsou				André Punt
					Cindy Thomson
					Tien-Shui Tsou

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