

SSC ADMIN ISSUES

DIANA EVANS, FEBRUARY 2026



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STAFF NEWS



- Anna Henry is the new Deputy Director
- Staff fishery analyst since 2018, key contributor on IFQ, halibut bycatch, and electronic monitoring initiatives



HIGHLIGHTS FROM B REPORTS (1/2)

more info on Council [eAgenda](#)

B1 Executive Director's Report

- NMFS HQ VIP visitor – Sam Rauch, Deputy Asst Administrator for Regulatory Programs here on Thurs
- Council has opportunity to review EO 14276 comments submitted to NMFS
- NMFS is proceeding with their risk/value matrix stock prioritization initiative. It is not clear yet exactly what role the Council will have in this process.
- Annual IFQ Report to the Fleet
- Bycatch report presentation
- BBSRI presentation on inseason salmon genetics
- NPFMC attendees are invited to a CDQ-hosted gathering on Weds Feb 4th – see B1 flyer
- Due to a Zoombombing incident, NPFMC may need to institute additional security for Committee and Plan Team meetings (you may need to register with an email)
 - Will not change the Council, AP, and SSC meetings
- Short primer on eAgenda comment search feature



HIGHLIGHTS FROM B REPORTS (2/2)

B2 NMFS Management Report

- Final Annual Deployment Plan
- Year-end inseason management reports for BSAI and GOA
- Discussion on NMFS regional office prioritization of fishery management Projects
- EDR requirements in place for 2026 (removal will not be effective until 2027)
- Cost recovery updates
- AFA Vessel Replacement Report

B8 IPHC report

- Annual report
- Letter raising Council awareness of increased harvest in halibut unguided rental vessel sector

B9 NPRB report

- Will post on Wednesday



FEBRUARY 2026 SSC MEETING

■ **SSC meeting topics**

- D1 AFSC report (Council received in December), D2 Groundfish 2026 assessment planning
- C1 GOA Pacific cod stock assessment review / harvest specifications
- C3 Cook Inlet Salmon stock assessment review / harvest specifications
- D3 EFH 5-year review workplan (Council received in December) + 2 methodology papers
- D4 HCR progress update
- Other issues on the Council agenda
 - C2 Chum Salmon Bycatch – Final Action



FUTURE MEETINGS

- *NO APRIL MEETING*
- **June 2026** – in-person at the Hilton in Vancouver, WA (near Portland, OR)
 - BSAI Crab and Scallop harvest specifications,
 - Observer annual report
 - GOA Tanner crab protections initial review draft
 - HCR adjustments discussion paper
 - Economic and community indicator reports
- **Oct/Dec 2026** – currently planned in-person for SSC, in Anchorage, AK
- **Council meeting annual cycle changes beginning 2027**

2026	Feb 2-11	Jun 1-9	Oct 5-13	Nov 30-Dec 8
2027	Feb 22-Mar 2	May 17-25	Oct 4-12	Nov 29-Dec 7
2028	Feb 28-Mar 7	May 15-23	Oct 2-10	Dec 4-12



EVENT THIS WEEK / MISCELLANEOUS

- Wednesday, 2/4: [CDQ gathering](#), 6pm-8pm, 49th State
- Chair/Members
 - Members will acknowledge any direct associations with SSC agenda items and/or financial conflicts of interest.
- Chair/Vice Chair – SSC report
 - Discuss deadlines for SSC report development

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