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# SSC ADMIN ISSUES

DIANA EVANS, FEBRUARY 2026



- 1. Meeting protocols
- 2. Highlights from B reports
- 3. Future meetings
- 4. Events this week/ Misc



# CODE OF CONDUCT FOR NPFMC MEETINGS

Participants in the Council process are expected to participate in a manner that is professional and respectful of Council members, staff, advisors, committee members, and the public. Harassment will not be tolerated. All Council participants are responsible for holding each other accountable to the following ground rules:

- Treat everyone with respect.
- Listen and seek to understand differing views or opinions.
- Represent information honestly and openly.
- Refrain from using offensive, disrespectful, or derogatory language.
- Personal or organizational attacks or insults will not be tolerated.

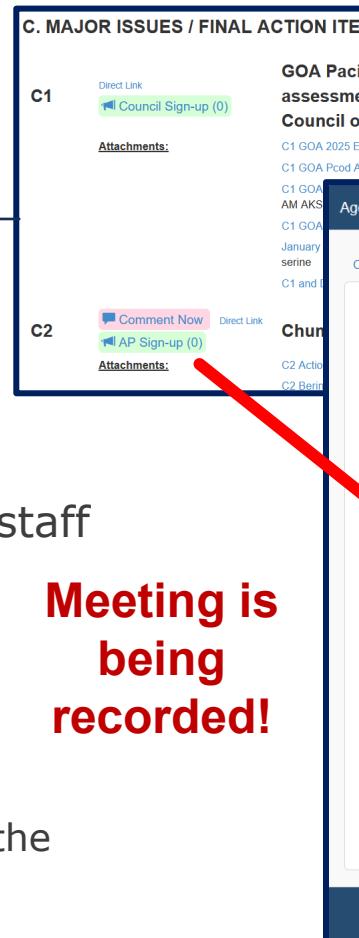
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# PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, TEXT ALERTS

- Testimony by topic, under each agenda item
- 5 min onscreen timer for oral testimony

1. Sign up through the eAgenda, next to the agenda item you want to testify on
2. Fill out the form with your personal details
3. Attach handouts or ppts if desired. (Contact staff if you want to project a handout.)
4. Indicate whether in-person or remote.
  - If remote, please ensure a strong internet connection and be in a quiet area.
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**C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS**

**C1** Direct Link Council Sign-up (0)  
Attachments: **C1 GOA 2025 Ecosystem Status Report** - Uploaded: 01/23/2026 10:56 AM AKST  
**C1 GOA Prod Assessment** - Uploaded: 01/23/2026 05:00 PM AKST  
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C1 GOA January series  
C1 and C2 Action Items  
C1 and C2 Remote Testimony

**C2** Comment Now Direct Link AP Sign-up (0)  
Attachments: **Chumash** - Uploaded: 01/23/2026 05:00 PM AKST  
C2 Action Items  
C2 Remote Testimony

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**Name**

**Testimony Type**

Individual, individual representing a company, or representative of an individual company (3 min.)  
 Commenting on behalf of more than one individual, company, organization (6 min.)  
Organization Name

**Email Address** \*

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**Waive Questions**

**Presentation Location**

Will you be giving a PowerPoint or other visual aid on the screen?

**Attachments**

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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 4<sup>th</sup> – 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, 49<sup>th</sup> 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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