NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC Council/AP April 2025 -274th

March 31-7, 2025

Council, April 3-7; Virtual Meeting; 8am-4pm, Alaska time

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Advisory Panel, March 31-April 4; Virtual Meeting; 8am-4pm, Alaska time

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Oral testimony:

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The AP and the Council meeting will be broadcast on zoom. If you intend to give oral testimony, you must be connected to the meeting, either through zoom on your device or using a call-in phone number above. **All information provided through the eAgenda or during testimony is part of the public record.** We are recording the meeting and the recordings are available on the Council's YouTube channel.

Click on the **schedule attachment** for our best estimate of agenda item timing. If you'd like to receive real-time **text alerts** during the meeting on Council timing, text the word "NPFMC" to the number 1-833-237-1598.

Scientific and Statistical Committee *(SSC), March 31-April 1, 2025; AGENDA*

A. Call Meeting to Order

A1 Approve agenda

Attachments:

- Schedule (link)
- Pre-Meeting Review Documents (link)
- Virtual Meeting Protocols
- NPFMC YouTube (link)
- Council Summary April 2025
- Newsletter (link)

B. Reports

B1 **Executive Director's Report, including BSAI allocation review for Atka mackerel, AI POP, and Yellowfin sole; and IFQ Report to the Fleet (oral)**

Attachments:
- B1 Executive Directors Report
- B1 IFQ Report to the fleet
- B1 BSAI Allocation Review
- PPT B1 Luck Internship Presentation
- B1 Killer Whale Infographic
- B1 Marine Mammal and Fisheries Graphic
- B1 Marine Mammal Law Infographic
- PPT B1 IFQ Report and TLAS Review

B2 **NMFS Management Report, including EFH consultation, protected species update, chum salmon excluder EFP consultation (oral)**

Attachments:
- B2 NMFS Report
- B2 NMFS Status of Amendments
- B2 NMFS Tribal Engagement Report
- B2 TIFC Letter
- B2 Salmon Excluder EFP
- B2 NMFS EFH Report
- PPT B2 Salmon Excluder EFP
- PPT B2 EFH Report
- PPT B2 GOA Groundfish FMP BiOp
- PPT B2 Protected Resources Update

B3 **NOAA General Counsel Report**

Attachments:
- B3 Designated Official Memorandum
- B3 Recusal Determinations
- B3 Litigation Report_AVCP v NMFS
- B3 Litigation Report_Oceana v NMFS EFH
- B3 Litigation Report_Oceana v NMFS FOIA
- B3 Litigation Report_UCIDA v NMFS

B4 **AFSC Report (oral)**

Attachments:
- PPT B4 AFSC Report

B5 **ADF&G Report**

Attachments:
- B5 ADFG Report

B6 **USCG Report**

Attachments:
- B6 USCG Report
- B6 USCG EFP Response

B7 **USFWS Report - NO REPORT**

B8 **IPHC Report**

Attachments:
- B8 IPHC Letter
- B8 IPHC Report

B9 **NIOSH Report - NO REPORT**

B10 **Cooperative Reports (oral)**

Attachments:
- B10 Action Memo
- Cooperative Reports (link)
- PPT B10 RP Year 2024
- PPT B10 2024 PCTC IC Report

PPT B10 2024 AFA CV IC Report

PPT B10 PCC HSCC Report

B11 Public Comment B agenda items

Attachments: MOTION EFP

B12 SSC Report

Attachments: SSC Report April 2025_DRAFT to COUNCIL

PPT SSC Presentation

SSC Report April 2025_FINAL

B13 AP Report

Attachments: AP Report April 2025

C. Action Items

C1 Area 4 vessel use caps – Final Action

Attachments: C1 Action Memo

C1 Area 4 Vessel Caps Analysis

PPT AP & Council C1 Vessel Caps

C1 AP Report

C1 MOTION

C2 Small sablefish release – Final Action, Enforcement Committee report

Attachments: C2 Action Memo

C2 Small Sablefish Release Analysis

PPT AP C2 Small Sablefish

C2 AP Report

PPT Council C2 Small Sablefish Release

Enforcement Committee eAgenda (link)

C2 Enforcement Committee Report

C2 MOTION

C3 MRA adjustments – Initial Review, Enforcement Committee report

Attachments: C3 Action Memo

C3 MRA Adjustments Review Analysis

Enforcement Committee eAgenda (link)

PPT AP C3 MRA Inital Review

PPT Council C3 MRA Adjustments

C3 Enforcement Committee Report

C3 AP Report

C3 MOTION DRAFT

C3 MOTION FINAL

C4 Programmatic evaluation – Refine alternatives

Attachments: C4 Action Memo

C4 Programmatic Evaluation Discussion Paper

March Informational Webinar (link)

PPT AP C4 Programmatic Evaluation

C4 AP Report

PPT Council C4 Programmatic Evaluation

C4 MOTION

D. Other Issues

D1 NMFS Annual Cost recovery report and discussion paper – Review

Attachments:

D1 Action Memo
D1 Annual Cost Recovery Report
D1 Annual Cost Recovery Discussion Paper
PPT AP D1 Cost Recovery Report
PPT AP D1 Cost Recovery Discussion Paper
D1 AP Report
PPT Council D1 Cost Recovery Discussion Paper
D1 MOTION 1 Cost Recovery DRAFT
D1 MOTION 1 Cost Recovery FINAL
D1 MOTION 2 EDRs DRAFT
D1 MOTION 2 EDRs FINAL

D2 GOA Tanner Crab Protections – Discussion paper

Attachments:

D2 Action Memo
D2 GOA Tanner Discussion Paper
D2 Appendix 3 GOA Tanner Protections
D2 Appendix 4 GOA Tanner Protections
D2 Appendix 5 GOA Tanner Protections
PPT AP D2 GOA Tanner crab protections
D2 AP Report
PPT Council D2 GOA Tanner Crab Protections
D2 MOTION

D3 POSTPONED TO JUNE Central GOA Rockfish Program Review – Report

Attachments:

D3 Action Memo
D3 Rockfish Program Review Report
PPT AP D3 CGOA RP Review
D3 AP Report
PPT Council D3 CGOA RP Review

D4 Survey modernization – Review AFSC report (SSC only)

Attachments:

D4 Action Memo

E. Staff Tasking

E1 Committees (including Scallop Plan Team report, draft Ecosystem Committee Terms of Reference), New Business, and Tasking - Review

Attachments:

E Action Memo
E 3 Meeting Outlook - PRE-MEETING
E Council Staff Responsibilities
E NPFMC Committees
E Prelim Draft June 2025 Council Schedule
E Groundfish Workplan 2025-04
E Ecosystem Committee Memo
E Scallop Plan Team Report 2025
E IFQ Committee Draft TOR
E Enforcement Committee Draft TOR

E Finance Committee Report

PPT AP E Staff Tasking

E AP Report

E 3 Meeting Outlook - DURING MEETING

PPT E Staff Tasking

E MOTION Cook Inlet Tribal Salmon Fishery

E MOTION Sablefish Start

E MOTION Enforcement Cmtee TOR

E MOTION IFQ and Ecosystem TORs