Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Executive Committee (Closed Session)

Advisory Panel Appointments.

Surfclam/Ocean Quahog Committee—
Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Excessive Shares Amendment

Committee review and approve a range of alternatives for consideration by the Council.

Law Enforcement Reports

Reports will be received from the NOAA Office of Law Enforcement and the U.S. Coast Guard.

Surfclam/Ocean Quahog Specifications

Review Advisory Panel, SSC, and staff recommendations for 2019 specifications and recommend any changes if necessary.

Mackerel Framework—Meeting 2

Take final action on modifications to mackerel closure provisions.

Atlantic Herring Amendment 8 Public Hearing

Public hearing on Amendment 8 to the Atlantic Herring FMP with proposed alternatives to: (1) Establish an acceptable biological catch control rule for Atlantic herring; and (2) address potential localized depletion and user conflicts in the fishery.

Wednesday, June 6, 2018

Chub Mackerel

Update on progress (FMAT, AP, and Committee meetings); approve draft goals and objectives for inclusion in a public hearing document; consider management unit alternatives for consideration by the SSC.

Summer Flounder Commercial Issues Amendment

Review and approve Draft EIS.

Estimating and Reducing the Discard Mortality Rate of Black Sea Bass in Offshore Recreational Rod-and-Reel Fisheries

Northeast Observer Program

Update on NMFS Climate Strategy and Overview of Recent Research

Mid-Atlantic Coastal Acidification Network Monitoring Plan

Regulatory Review Results

Discuss and approve recommendations for regulatory streamlining.

Thursday, June 7, 2018

Aquaculture in the Northeast Business Session

Committee Reports (Executive Committee and Surfclam/Ocean Quahog Committee); Executive Director’s Report (Update on mackerel rebuilding framework and consider changes to alternatives if necessary); Organization Reports; and Liaison Reports.

Continuing and New Business

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this group for discussion, in accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (Magnuson-Stevens Act), those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these meetings. Actions will be restricted to those issues specifically identified in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act, provided the public has been notified of the Council’s intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aid should be directed to M. Jan Saunders, (302) 526–5251, at least 5 days prior to the meeting date.


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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

AGENCY: National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

ACTION: Notice of public meeting (webinar).

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Pacific Council) Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) and Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) will hold a meeting via webinar that is open to the public.

DATES: The webinar will be held Monday, June 4, 2018, from 2 p.m. to 4 p.m., or until business has been completed.

ADDRESSES: The meeting will be held via webinar. A public listening station is available at the Pacific Council office (address below). To attend the webinar, use this link: https://www.gotomeeting.com (click “Join a Meeting” in top right corner of page); (1) Enter the Webinar ID: 617–646–275; (2) Enter your name and email address (required). You must use your telephone for the audio portion of the meeting by dialing this TOLL number 1–646–558–2116; (3) Enter the Attendee audio access code 536–980–594; (4) Enter your audio phone pin (shown after joining the webinar). NOTE: We have disabled Mic/Speakers as an option and require all participants to use a telephone or cell phone to participate. Technical Information and System Requirements: PC-based attendees are required to use Windows® 7, Vista, or XP; Mac®-based attendees are required to use Mac OS® X 10.5 or newer; Mobile attendees are required to use iPhone®, iPad®, Android™ phone or Android tablet (see https://www.gotomeeting.com/webinar/ipad-phone-android-webinar-apps). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at Kris.Kleinschmidt@noaa.gov or contact him at (503) 820–2280, extension 411 for technical assistance.

Council address: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220–1384.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Kerry Griffin, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820–2409.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The primary purpose of the meeting is for the CPSAS and the CPSMT to develop supplemental reports on a potential for a fishery management plan (FMP) amendment to consider changes to the incidental take provisions for the CPS live bait fishery.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during this meeting. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of...
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**Special Accommodations**

The public listening station is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt at kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov or (503) 820–2411) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.


Rey Israel Marquez,
Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.

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DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings


ACTION: Notice of public meetings.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) and its advisory entities will hold public meetings.

DATES: The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will meet June 7–13, 2018. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Friday, June 8, 2018 at 9 a.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT), reconvening at 8 a.m. each day through Wednesday, June 13, 2018. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Friday, June 8 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

ADDRESSES: The meetings will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Spokane City Center, 322 N. Spokane Falls Court, Spokane, WA; telephone: (509) 455–9600.

*Council address*: Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220. Instructions for attending the meeting via live stream broadcast are given under **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, below.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Mr. Chuck Tracy, Executive Director; telephone: (503) 820–2280 or (866) 806–7294 toll-free; or access the Pacific Council website, http://www.p council.org for the current meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**: The June 7–13, 2018 meeting of the Pacific Council will be streamed live on the internet. The broadcasts begin initially at 9 a.m. PDT Friday, June 8, 2018 and continue at 8 a.m. daily through Wednesday, June 13, 2018. Broadcasts end daily at 5 p.m. PDT or when business for the day is complete. Only the audio portion and presentations displayed on the screen at the Pacific Council meeting will be broadcast. The audio portion is listen-only; you will be unable to speak to the Pacific Council via the broadcast. To access the meeting online, please use the following link: http://www.gotomeeting.com/online/webinar/join-webinar and enter the June Webinar ID, 530–089–227, and your email address. You can attend the webinar online using a computer, tablet, or smart phone, using the GoToMeeting application. It is recommended that you use a computer headset to listen to the meeting, but you may use your telephone for the audio-only portion of the meeting. The audio portion may be attended using a telephone by dialing the toll number 1–562–247–8321 (not a toll-free number), audio access code: 240–052–611, and entering the audio pin shown after joining the webinar.

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda, but not necessarily in this order. Agenda items noted as “Final Action” refer to actions requiring the Council to transmit a proposed fishery management plan, proposed plan amendment, or proposed regulations to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce, under Sections 304 or 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Additional detail on agenda items, Council action, advisory entity meeting times, and meeting rooms are described in Agenda Item A.4. Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, and will be in the advance June 2018 briefing materials and posted on the Pacific Council website at www.p council.org no later than Friday, May 18, 2018.

**A. Call to Order**

1. Opening Remarks
2. Roll Call
3. Executive Director’s Report
4. Approve Agenda

**B. Open Comment Period**

1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items

**C. Administrative Matters**

1. Council Information Committee Meeting Report
4. Research and Data Needs Document—Preliminary Draft
5. Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs
6. Legislative Matters
7. Federal Fishery Permit Citizen Requirements—Scoping
8. Fiscal Matters
9. Approval of Council Meeting Record
10. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
11. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

**D. Habitat**

1. Current Habitat Issues
2. Groundfish Management
3. Drift Gillnet Performance Metrics
4. Update on Existing Deep-Set Buoy Gear (DSGB) Exempted Fishing Permits
6. Preliminary Review of New Non-Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permit Applications and Submissions of Previous Deep-Set Buoy Gear Applications
7. Swordfish Management Project Planning and Observer Change

**Advisory Body Agendas**

Advisory body agendas will include discussions of relevant issues that are on the Pacific Council agenda for this meeting, and may also include issues that may be relevant to future Council meetings. Proposed advisory body agendas for this meeting will be available on the Pacific Council website http://www.p council.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-briefing-book/ no later than Friday, May 18, 2018.