

determine what is necessary to minimize the likelihood of further prohibited take and ensure MMPA compliance. The DOT&PF would not be able to resume their activities until notified by NMFS via letter, email, or telephone.

(iii) In the event that the DOT&PF discovers an injured or dead marine mammal, and the lead MMO determines that the cause of the injury or death is unknown and the death is relatively recent (*i.e.*, in less than a moderate state of decomposition as described in the next paragraph), the DOT&PF would immediately report the incident to the Chief of the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, and the Alaska Stranding Hotline and/or by email to the Alaska Regional Stranding Coordinators. The report would include the same information identified in the paragraph above. Activities would be able to continue while NMFS reviews the circumstances of the incident. NMFS would work with the DOT&PF to determine whether modifications in the activities are appropriate.

(iv) In the event that the DOT&PF discovers an injured or dead marine mammal, and the lead MMO determines that the injury or death is not associated with or related to the activities authorized in the IHA (*e.g.*, previously wounded animal, carcass with moderate to advanced decomposition, or scavenger damage), the DOT&PF would report the incident to the Chief of the Permits and Conservation Division, Office of Protected Resources, NMFS, and the NMFS Alaska Stranding Hotline and/or by email to the Alaska Regional Stranding Coordinator, within 24 hours of the discovery. The DOT&PF would provide photographs or video footage (if available) or other documentation of the stranded animal sighting to NMFS and the Marine Mammal Stranding Network.

6. This Authorization may be modified, suspended or withdrawn if the holder fails to abide by the conditions prescribed herein, or if NMFS determines the authorized taking is having more than a negligible impact on the species or stock of affected marine mammals.

#### Request for Public Comments

NMFS requests comment on our analysis, the draft authorization, and any other aspect of the Notice of Proposed IHA for the DOT&PF's Kodiak Ferry Terminal and Dock Improvements Project. Please include with your comments any supporting data or literature citations to help inform our final decision on DOT&PF's request for an MMPA authorization.

Dated: August 18, 2015.

**Perry Gayaldo,**

*Deputy Director, Office of Protected Resources, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

**RIN 0648-XE127**

#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) and its advisory entities will hold an 8-day public meeting to consider actions affecting West Coast fisheries in the exclusive economic zone.

**DATES:** Advisory entities to the Pacific Council will meet beginning at 8 a.m. Wednesday, September 9, 2015 through Wednesday, September 16, 2015 as listed in the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings. The Pacific Council general session will begin on Friday, September 11, 2015 at 8 a.m., reconvening each day through Wednesday, September 16, 2015. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held at 8 a.m. on Friday, September 11 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business.

**ADDRESSES:** Meetings of the Council and its advisory entities will be held at the Doubletree by Hilton Sacramento, 2001 Point West Way, Sacramento, CA 95815; telephone: (916) 929-8855. Instructions for attending the meeting via live stream broadcast are given under

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**, below.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Donald O. McIsaac, Executive Director, Pacific Fishery Management Council; telephone: (503) 820-2280 or (866) 806-7204 toll free. Access the Pacific Council Web site, <http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-meeting/> for the current meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

#### Live Stream Broadcast

*Friday, September 11, 2015 Through Wednesday, September 16, 2015*

The general session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council will be streamed live on the internet beginning at 9 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) on Friday, September 11, 2015 through Wednesday, September 16, 2015. The broadcast will end daily at 6 p.m. PT or when business for the day is complete. Only the audio portion, and portions of the presentations displayed on the screen at the Council meeting, will be broadcast. The audio portion is listen-only; you will be unable to speak to the Council via the broadcast. Join the meeting by visiting this link <http://www.gotomeeting.com/online/webinar/join-webinar>, enter the Webinar ID for this meeting, which is 141-257-515, and enter your email address as required. It is recommended that you use a computer headset as GoToMeeting allows you to listen to the meeting using your computer headset and speakers. If you do not have a headset and speakers, you may use your telephone for the audio portion of the meeting by dialing this toll number 1-702-489-0008 (not a toll free number); entering the phone audio access code 418-407-809; and then entering your Audio Pin which will be shown to you after joining the webinar. The webinar is broadcast in listen-only mode.

#### Agenda

*Friday, September 11, 2015 Through Wednesday, September 16, 2015*

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 Secretary of Commerce, under Sections 304 or 305 of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. Additional detail on agenda items, Council action, and meeting rooms, is described in Agenda Item A.5, Proposed Council Meeting Agenda, and will be in the advance September 2015 briefing materials and posted on the Council Web site <http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-briefing-book/>.

#### A. Call to Order

1. Opening Remarks
2. Council Member Appointments
3. Roll Call
4. Executive Director's Report
5. Approve Agenda

#### B. Open Comment Period

1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items
- C. Administrative Matters
  1. Update on Council Coordination Committee Meeting
  2. Legislative Matters
  3. Approval of Council Meeting Record
  4. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
  5. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning
- D. Ecosystem Management
  1. Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiative Scoping
  2. Unmanaged Forage Fish Regulations (Final Action)
- E. Salmon Management
  1. Salmon Methodology Review
  2. Sacramento River Winter Chinook Update
- F. Habitat
  1. Current Habitat Issue
- G. Highly Migratory Species Management
  1. Update on International Issues
  2. Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan Hardcaps (Final Action)
  3. Scoping of Amendment 4 to the Fishery Management Plan: Authorizing a Shallow-Set Longline Fishery Outside of the EEZ
- H. Groundfish Management
  1. Mid-Water Recreational Fishing Regulations
  2. Consideration of Gear Regulations for the Trawl Catch Shares Sector
  3. Final Stock Assessments
  4. Electronic Monitoring Regulations and Exempted Fishing Permit Update
  5. Specifications Process for 2017–2018 Management (Final Action)
  6. Salmon Endangered Species Act Reinitiation of Consultation Workshop Report
  7. Blackgill-Slope Rockfish Intersector Allocation and Accumulation Limit Adjustments
  8. Amendment To Modify Groundfish Essential Fish Habitat and To Adjust Rockfish Conservation Areas
  9. Inseason Adjustments (Final Action)
  10. Groundfish Management Science Improvements and Methodology Review Topics
- I. Pacific Halibut Management
  1. 2016 Catch Sharing Plan and Annual Regulation Changes

#### Advisory Body Agendas

Advisory body agendas will include discussions of relevant issues that are on the 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 Council Web site <http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/>

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#### Schedule of Ancillary Meetings

*Day 1, Wednesday, September 9, 2015*  
Scientific and Statistical Committee  
Ecosystem Subcommittee 8 a.m.

*Day 2, Thursday, September 10, 2015*  
Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Ecosystem Workgroup 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.  
Habitat Committee 8:30 a.m.  
Legislative Committee 1 p.m.  
Budget Committee 2:30 p.m.

*Day 3, Friday, September 11, 2015*  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Highly Migratory Species Management Team 8 a.m.  
Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants 8 a.m.  
Chairman's Reception 6 p.m.

*Day 4, Saturday, September 13, 2015*  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Highly Migratory Species Management Team 8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants *Ad hoc*  
Stock Assessment Briefing 7 p.m.

*Day 5, Sunday, September 13, 2015*  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants *Ad hoc*

*Day 6, Monday, September 14, 2015*  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants *Ad hoc*

*Day 7, Tuesday, September 15, 2015*  
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
Groundfish Management Team 8 a.m.  
Enforcement Consultants *Ad hoc*  
Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion, those issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting. Council action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this notice and any issues arising after publication of this notice that require emergency action under Section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management 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 aids should be directed to Kristopher Kleinschmidt at least 5 days prior to the meeting date by telephone (503) 820–2280; at the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**); or by email at [kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov](mailto:kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

Dated: August 18, 2015.

**Emily H. Menashes,**

*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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#### Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council (MAFMC); Public Meeting

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

**ACTION:** Notice; public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council's (Council) Ecosystem and Ocean Planning Advisory Panel (AP) will hold a public meeting.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held on Wednesday, Sept. 9, 2015, from 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. For agenda details, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Double Tree by Hilton Baltimore—BWI Airport, 890 Elkridge Landing Road, Linthicum, Maryland, 21090; telephone: (410) 859–8400.

*Council address:* Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, 800 N. State Street, Suite 201, Dover, DE 19901; telephone: (302) 674–2331 or on their Web site at [www.mafmc.org](http://www.mafmc.org).

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Christopher M. Moore, Ph.D., Executive Director, Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council, telephone: (302) 526–5255.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MAFMC's Ecosystem and Ocean Planning Advisory Panel (AP) will meet to provide input to the Council on the development of written Council policy on non-fishing activities that impact fish habitat. The development of written policy on these activities will allow the