



Pacific Fishery Management Council **MEETING NOTICE**

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE
May 18, 2016

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Pacific Fishery Management Council to Hold Meeting in June 2016 to Adopt Management Measures for Ocean Fisheries

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) and its advisory bodies will meet June 21-28, 2016 in Tacoma, Washington to address issues related to salmon, groundfish, highly migratory species, Pacific Halibut and habitat matters. The meeting of the Council and its advisory entities will be held at the Murano Hotel, 1320 Broadway Plaza, Tacoma, Washington; telephone, 253-627-3167.

Key agenda items for the meeting include Council considerations to:

- Adopt Final Preferred Management Measures for 2017-2018 Groundfish Fisheries.
- Adopt Final List and Schedule of Groundfish Stocks for Assessment in 2017.
- Adopt Inseason Adjustments to Groundfish Fisheries.
- Swordfish Deep-set Buoy Gear and Federal Permit Update.
- Highly Migratory Species Biennial Management Measures.
- Highly Migratory Species International Issues.
- Pacific Halibut Allocation Scoping.

Please refer to the attached detailed draft proposed agenda for a complete list of issues to be addressed. A schedule of advisory group meetings is provided on the last pages of the attached agenda. Copies of briefing materials prepared for the meeting can be found on our website www.pcouncil.org by June 9.

Meeting Arrangements and Public Comment Guidelines

All meetings are open to the public, except for two closed executive sessions scheduled for 8 a.m. on Thursday, June 23 and, if necessary, Tuesday, June 28 at 8 a.m. to discuss litigation and personnel matters. For more information on the meetings, refer to the attached proposed detailed agenda for the June meeting. Information is also available on the Council website <http://www.pcouncil.org> or by calling the Council office at 503-820-2280 or 866-806-7204 (toll-free).

The public is encouraged to comment, either verbally at the meeting or in writing. Timing of agenda items may change as the meeting progresses, and items not completed on the scheduled day will be carried over to later in the meeting, usually the next day.

Oral Public Comments

Oral public comments will be accepted during the meeting prior to action on each agenda item.

Written Public Comments

Written public comments are accepted by the Council via one of the methods described below. The public is encouraged to submit written comments as far in advance of the meeting as possible, either by mail, fax, or email addressed to pfmc.comments@noaa.gov. Through the supplemental deadline, electronic copies of written testimony is encouraged, as they facilitate posting to our website.

- Comments received by 11:59 p.m. **Thursday, May 26, 2016** will be included in the briefing materials mailed to Council members prior to the meeting. Comments received after May 26 but by 11:59 p.m. **June 14, 2016** will be distributed to Council members at the onset of the meeting.
- If you cannot meet this latter deadline **and are going to testify at the meeting**, you can provide written testimony for distribution at the meeting by one of the following methods. However, please note these need to be provided to Council staff by 5 p.m. the day before your testimony.
 - Provide an electronic copy to be posted with other briefing materials, or
 - Provide 40 photocopies with the Agenda Item Topic Number in the upper right corner of the front page of each copy. Refer to the attached agenda for the topic numbers; i.e., Agenda Item B.1.b refers to public comment under Open Comment Period.

This meeting is open to the public and is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kris Kleinschmidt at 503-820-2280 or 866-806-7204 at least **five days prior** to the meeting date. The meeting of the Pacific Fishery Management Council will also be streamed live on the internet.

The broadcasts begin at 1 p.m. Pacific Time (PT) Thursday, June 23, 2016 and continue daily at 8 a.m. through Tuesday, June 28, 2016. Broadcasts end daily at 6:00 p.m. PT *or when business for the day is complete*. Only the audio portion and 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. To access the meeting online please use the following link: <http://www.gotomeeting.com/online/webinar/join-webinar> and enter the **June Webinar ID, 157-423-659** 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 portion only of the meeting. The audio portion may be attended using a telephone by dialing the **toll number 1-562-247-8422** (not a toll-free number), **audio access code 409-877-303**, and enter the audio pin shown after joining the webinar.

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235th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
June 21-28, 2016



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Tues.-Wed. June 21-22	Thursday June 23	Friday June 24	Saturday June 25	Sunday June 26	Monday June 27	Tuesday June 28
A listing of times and locations for Advisory Body meetings begins on page 7.	Closed Session	HMS	Groundfish	Groundfish	Groundfish	Closed Session
	Call to Order					Administrative
	Habitat	Pacific Halibut				
	HMS		Administrative			
			Salmon	Administrative		

Schedule of Ancillary Meetings begins on page 8

Refer to the Schedule of Ancillary Meetings beginning on page seven for a complete list of technical and administrative committees, advisory bodies, work groups, state delegations, and special sessions scheduled throughout the week of June 21-28, 2016.

Proposed Detailed Agenda begins on next page

The following items are on the Pacific Council agenda. However, please note that the timing--including the day--of the agenda items may change based on the time required for prior agenda items, and the order may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Council Action descriptions to adopt imply consideration to adopt; adoption is not mandatory.



235th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
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Proposed Detailed
AGENDA

Thursday, June 23, 2016

General Council Session
Pavilion A,G,D

8:00 a.m. Closed Executive Session

This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

1:00 p.m.

A. Call to Order

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| A.1 | Opening Remarks | Dorothy Lowman, Chair |
| A.2 | Roll Call | Chuck Tracy |
| A.3 | Acting Executive Director's Report | Chuck Tracy |
| A.4 | Agenda | Dorothy Lowman |
| a. | Council Action: Approve Agenda | |

B. Open Comment Period

- B.1 Comments on Non-Agenda Items
 - a. Advisory Body and Management Entity Comments
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Comments as Appropriate

C. Habitat

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| C.1 | Current Habitat Issues | Jennifer Gilden |
| a. | Report of the Habitat Committee | Joel Kawahara |
| b. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| c. | Public Comment | |
| d. | Council Action: Consider Habitat Committee Recommendations | |

D. Highly Migratory Species Management

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| D.1 | National Marine Fisheries Service Report | Kit Dahl |
| a. | Regulatory Activities | Heidi Taylor |
| b. | Science Center Activities | Cisco Werner and Gerard Dinardo |
| c. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| d. | Public Comment | |
| e. | Council Discussion | |

D. Highly Migratory Species Management (continued)

- D.2 International Issues Including Eastern Pacific Ocean Swordfish Status, Report of the North Pacific Albacore Management Strategy Evaluation Workshop, and Recommendations for the 12th Northern Committee Meeting Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** 1) Make recommendations to address Eastern Pacific Ocean Swordfish Overfishing Per the Requirements in Magnuson-Stevens Act §304(i); 2) Develop Recommendations for the U.S. Delegation to the 12th Northern Committee Meeting and Other Forums as Appropriate

Friday, June 24, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Pavilion A,G,D

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dorothy Lowman

- A.5 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

D. Highly Migratory Species Management (continued)

- D.3 Preliminary Approval of New Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Preliminarily Approve New EFPs for Public Review
- D.4 Initial Scoping of Biennial Specifications Including Management Reference Points and Management Measures Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Identify Issues for the Biennial Management Process
- D.5 Deep-Set Buoy Gear and Federal Permit Update Kit Dahl
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on Developing a Range of Alternatives for Authorizing a Federal Deep-Set Buoy Gear Fishery and Federal Permitting of West Coast Swordfish Fisheries

E. Pacific Halibut Management

- E.1 Scoping of Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan Allocation Changes Kelly Ames
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Identify Allocation Issues and Provide Guidance on Developing a Range of Alternatives for 2017 Area 2A Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan Changes

F. Administrative Matters

- F.1 Legislative Matters Jennifer Gilden
- a. Report of the Legislative Committee Dave Hanson
 - b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - c. Public Comment

- d. **Council Action:** Consider the Report and Recommendations of the Legislative Committee

Saturday, June 25, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Pavilion A,G,D

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dorothy Lowman

A.6 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management

G.1 National Marine Fisheries Service Report

Brett Wiedoff

a. Regulatory Activities

Frank Lockhart

b. Fisheries Science Center Activities

Michelle McClure, John Stein

c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

d. Public Comment

e. Council Discussion

G.2 Amendment 21 At-Sea Sector Allocation Revisions

John DeVore

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Consider Identifying a Preliminary Preferred Alternative for At-Sea Fishery Sector Allocations for Pacific Ocean Perch and Darkblotched Rockfish, Including a Decision on New Allocations or Set-asides

G.3 Final Action on Exempted Fishing Permit Approval for 2017-2018

Jim Seger

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Recommendations for 2017-2018 Exempted Fishing Permits

G.4 Final Action to Adopt Management Measures for 2017-2018 Fisheries

John DeVore and Kelly Ames

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred Management Measures for 2017-2018 Fisheries

(This item continues on Monday, June 27)

H. Salmon Management

H.1 Sacramento River Winter Chinook Harvest Control Rule Update

Mike Burner

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Review Progress and Provide Guidance on Developing a Range of Control Rule Alternatives and Future Analyses

Sunday, June 26, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Pavilion A,G,D

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dorothy Lowman

A.7 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

G.5 Preliminary Plans for Review of the West Coast Trawl Catch Share Program and Intersector Allocations Including Comments on Draft Guidance for Catch Share Program Reviews

Jim Seger

a. Report on the Pacific Groundfish Quota Program Workshop

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b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

c. Public Comment

d. **Council Action:** Provide Guidance on the Development of the West Coast Trawl Catch Share Program and Intersector Allocation Reviews and Comment on Draft Catch Share Review Guidance

G.6 Omnibus Groundfish Workload Planning

Kelly Ames and Jim Seger

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Develop a Preliminary Omnibus Priority List of Groundfish Issues for Workload Planning Purposes, and Provide Additional Guidance as Appropriate

Monday, June 27, 2016

8:00 a.m.

Pavilion A,G,D

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

Dorothy Lowman

A.8 Commencing Remarks

Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

G.4 Final Action to Adopt Management Measures for 2017-2018 Fisheries (*continued from Saturday, June 25*)

John DeVore, Kelly Ames

G.7 Final Action on Inseason Adjustments

Kelly Ames

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt Inseason Adjustments, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits

G.8 Final Action on Stock Assessment Plans and Terms of Reference (TOR) for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species

John DeVore

a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities

b. Public Comment

c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final List and Schedule of Groundfish Stocks for Assessment in 2017, the Stock Assessment and Methodology Review TOR for Groundfish and Coastal Pelagic Species, and the Rebuilding TOR for Overfished Groundfish Stocks

F. Administrative Matters (continued)

- F.2 Western Region Climate Change Action Plan Kit Dahl
a. Science Centers Report John Stein, Cisco Werner
b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Provide Comments and Recommendations

Tuesday, June 28, 2016

Pavilion A,G,D

8:00 a.m.	Closed Executive Session (If Necessary)
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This session is closed to all except Council members, their designees, and others designated by the Council Chair to discuss litigation and personnel matters.

9:00 a.m.

A. Call to Order (reconvene)

- A.9 Commencing Remarks Dorothy Lowman
Chuck Tracy

G. Groundfish Management (continued)

- G.9 Final Action on Trawl Catch Share Program Gear Use Regulations Jim Seger
for Fishing in Multiple Management Areas
a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Preferred Alternatives for Fishing in Multiple Management Areas

F. Administrative Matters (continued)

- F.3 Fiscal Matters Chuck Tracy
a. Report of the Budget Committee Dorothy Lowman
b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
c. Public Comment
d. **Council Action:** Consider Budget Committee Recommendations
- F.4 Approval of Council Meeting Record Dorothy Lowman
a. **Council Action:** Approve Previous Council Meeting Records
- F.5 Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures Chuck Tracy
a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
b. Public Comment
c. **Council Action:** Consider Appointments to Council Committees and Advisory Bodies; Adopt Changes to Council Operating Procedures

- F.6 Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning Chuck Tracy
- a. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. Council Discussion and Guidance on Future Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning, Including Prioritized Groundfish Omnibus Regulatory Issues

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235th Session of the Pacific Fishery Management Council
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SCHEDULE OF ANCILLARY MEETINGS

Day 1—Tuesday, June 21, 2016

	Time	Location
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Lido Boardroom

Day 2—Wednesday, June 22, 2016

	Time	Location
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Lido Boardroom
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Habitat Committee	8:30 a.m.	Torcello/Burano Room
Council Secretariat	11:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
Budget Committee	1:00 p.m.	Economic Development Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	1:00 p.m.	Pavilion C
Legislative Committee	2:30 p.m.	Economic Development Room

Day 3—Thursday, June 23, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Lido Boardroom
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Scientific and Statistical Committee	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Enforcement Consultants	3:00 p.m.	Economic Development Room
Chair's Reception	6:00 p.m.	Rotunda

Day 4—Friday, June 24, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Highly Migratory Species Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Lido Boardroom

Day 5—Saturday, June 25, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Economic Development Room

Day 6—Sunday, June 26, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Economic Development Room

Day 7—Monday, June 27, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room
Groundfish Advisory Subpanel	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Groundfish Management Team	8:00 a.m.	Pavilion E
Enforcement Consultants	As Necessary	Economic Development Room

Day 8—Tuesday, June 28, 2016

	Time	Location
Council Secretariat	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion B
California State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion C
Oregon State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Pavilion F
Washington State Delegation	7:00 a.m.	Venice 4 Room

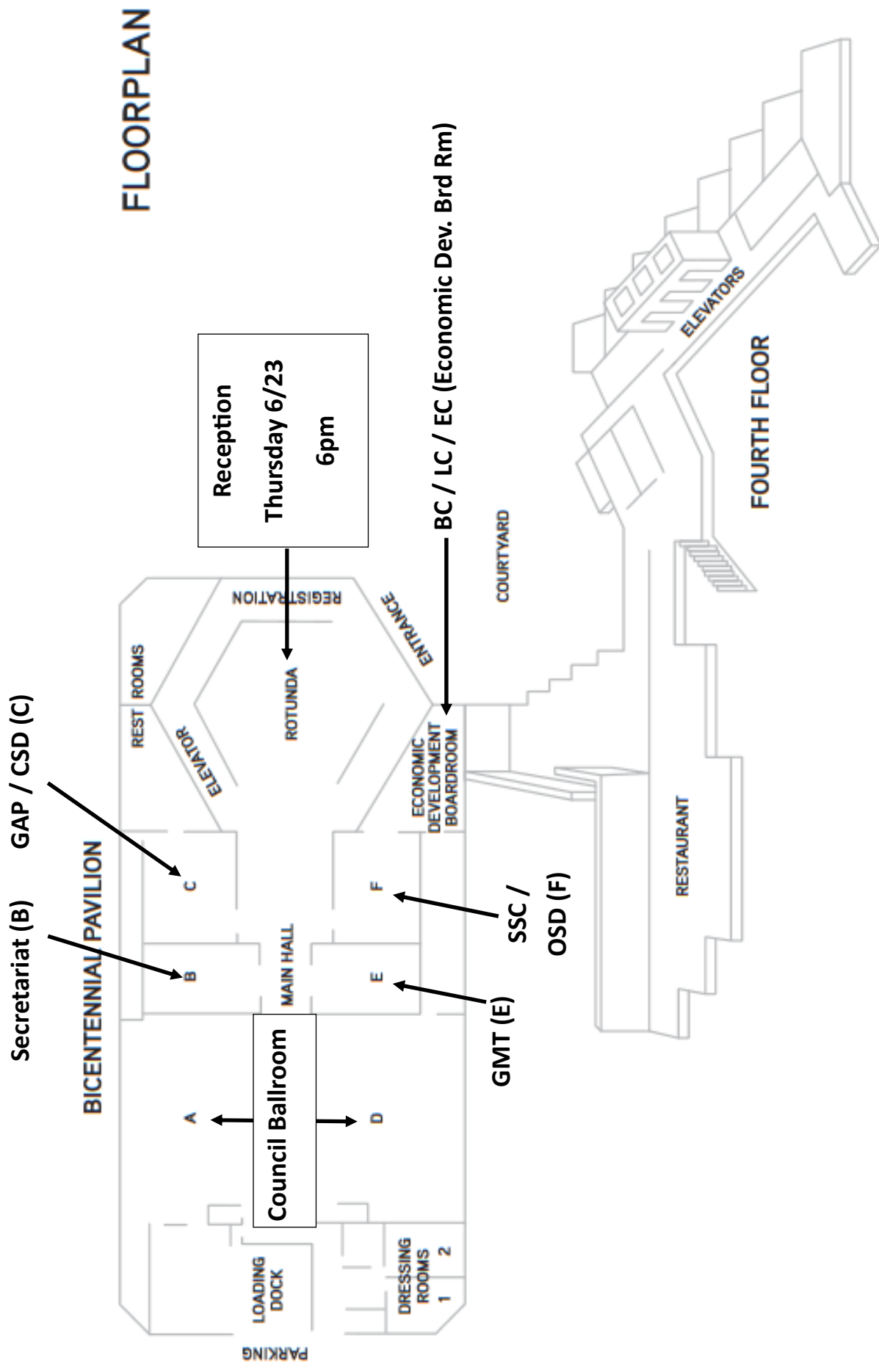
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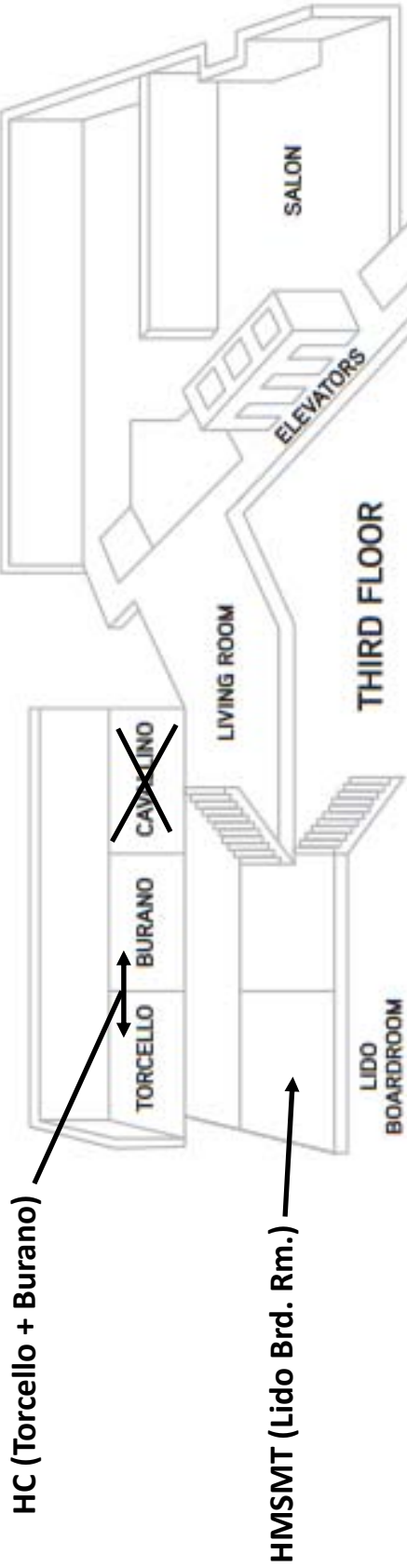
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PROPOSED PACIFIC COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA, JUNE 22-28, 2016 IN TACOMA, WASHINGTON

Acronyms	Thur, June 23	Fri, June 24	Sat, June 25	Sun, June 26	Mon, June 27	Tues, June 28
DSBG: Deep Set Buoy Gear COP: Council Operating Procedures CSP: Catch Sharing Plan EAS/WG: Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel/Work Group EC: Enforcement Consultants ED: Executive Director EFP: Exempted Fishing Permit FPA: Final Preferred Alternative GAP/GMT: Groundfish Advisory Subpanel /Mgmt Team HC: Habitat Committee HMSAS/MT: Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel/Mgmt Team PPA: Preliminary Preferred Alternative ROA: Range of Alternatives SDC: Status Determination Criteria	8 AM CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION Discuss Litigation & Personnel Matters (4 hr) 1 PM A. CALL TO ORDER 1-4. Opening Remarks, Roll Call, ED Report, Approve Agenda (1 hr) B. OPEN COMMENT 1. Comments on Non-Agenda Items (30 min) C. HABITAT 1. Current Habitat Issues (45 min) D. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES 1. NMFS Report (1 hr) 2. International Issues (1 hr)	D. HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES 3. New EFP Preliminary Approval (2 hr) 4. Initial Scoping of Biennial Specifications, Management Measures, SDC, and Reference Points (1 hr 30 min) 5. Deep Set Buoy Gear and Federal HMS Permit Update (2 hr 30 min) E. PACIFIC HALIBUT 1. Scoping CSP Allocation Changes (2 hr) F. ADMINISTRATIVE 1. Legislative Committee (30 min)	G. GROUND FISH 1. NMFS Report (1 hr) 2. ROA/PPA for Revised A-21 At-Sea Allocations (2 hr) 3. EFP Final Approval (1 hr) 4. Adopt Final 2017-2018 Management Measures (3 hr) – <i>Continued on Monday</i> H. SALMON 1. Sacramento Winter Chinook Control Rule Update & Guidance (1 hr)	G. GROUND FISH 5. 5-yr Catch Share Program Review Including Guideline Comments (5 hr) 6. Omnibus Workload Planning (3 hr)	G. GROUND FISH 4. <i>Continued From Saturday</i> - Adopt Final 2017-2018 Management Measures (3 hr) 7. Consider Inseason Adjustments (2 hr) 8. Adopt Final Stock Assessment Plans and Terms of Reference (2 hr) F. ADMINISTRATIVE 2. Comments on Western Region Climate Change Action Plan (1 hr)	8 AM CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION Discuss Personnel Matters (if Necessary) (1 hr) G. GROUND FISH 9. FPA for Gear Change Regulations for Fishing in Different Management Areas (1 hr 30 min) F. ADMINISTRATIVE 3. Fiscal Matters (15 min) 4. Approve Council Meeting Record (15 min) 5. Membership Appointments & COPs (30 min) 6. Future Council Meeting Agenda & Workload Planning (2 hr)
Tue June 21 8 am HMSAS & MT	8.25 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am SSC 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT 3 pm EC 6 pm Chair's Reception	8 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT 8 am HMSAS & HMSMT Ad Hoc EC	8.5 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	8 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	8 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat 8 am GAP & GMT Ad Hoc EC	5.5 hr 7 am State Delegations 8 am Secretariat
Wed June 22 11 am Secretariat 8 am SSC 8 am GMT 8 am HMSAS & MT 8:30 am HC 1 pm GAP 1 pm BC 2:30 pm LC						

PFMC June 2016 Council Meeting—Hotel Murano—Hotel Map





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