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.

SUMMARY: The Pacific Fishery Management Council’s (Pacific Council) Ecosystem Subcommittee of the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) will hold an online meeting to review new analyses conducted by the NMFS California Current Integrated Ecosystem Assessment team that may potentially inform future annual reports to the Pacific Council on the state of the California Current Ecosystem.

DATES: The online meeting will be held Tuesday, August 31, 2021, from 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Daylight Time (PDT). The online meeting will reconvene on Wednesday, September 1, 2021, from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. PDT.

ADDRESSES: This meeting will be held online. Specific meeting information, including directions on how to join the meeting and system requirements will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council’s website (see www.pcouncil.org). You may send an email to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov) or contact him at (503) 820-2412 for technical assistance.

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

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: John DeVore, Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2413.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The SSC’s Ecosystem Subcommittee will
review analyses conducted by the NMFS California Current Integrated Ecosystem Assessment team. Specifically, the SSC Ecosystem Subcommittee will review the following four items: (1) Threshold Relationships Between Environmental Drivers and Performance of Salmon Preseason Abundance Forecasts, (2) Krill-based Indicators, (3) Year Class Strength and Distribution of Small Groundfish, and (4) Port-level Linkages Between Fisheries using Network Analysis. The SSC’s Ecosystem Subcommittee will consider recommending summaries of these ecosystem indicators be included in future state of the California Current Ecosystem reports to the Pacific Council.

No management actions will be decided by the SSC’s Ecosystem Subcommittee. The SSC Ecosystem Subcommittee members’ role will be development of recommendations and a report for consideration by the SSC and Pacific Council at their March 2022 meeting in San Jose, CA.

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 the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

**Special Accommodations**

Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt (kris.kleinschmidt@noaa.gov; (503) 820-2412) at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

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