



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: Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) staff will provide an online briefing on the outcomes of the January 18-19, 2024, meeting of the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole.

DATES: The online meeting will be held on Friday, March 29, 2024, 3-5 p.m. Pacific time.

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: Kelly Ames, Deputy Director, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2417.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: The Pacific Council created the Ad Hoc Committee of the Whole (COTW), composed of Pacific Council members, to make recommendations on Council operations in light of the Pacific Council's medium and long-term financial status. A report of the COTW, including its recommendations, will be

reported to the Pacific Council at its April 9-11, 2024, meeting. Based on these recommendations, the Pacific Council's Executive Director will propose potential changes to Pacific Council operations in line with anticipated budget ceilings for the next three to five years. In this online briefing Pacific Council staff will summarize outcomes of the COTW meeting for Pacific Council advisory bodies and the public to allow informed comment at the April Pacific Council meeting.

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.*

Dated: March 1, 2024.

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National Marine Fisheries Service.