

**SUMMARY:** The National Institute of Standards and Technology (NIST) announces that the Manufacturing Extension Partnership (MEP) Advisory Board will hold an open meeting on March 7, 2017.

**DATES:** The meeting will be held Tuesday, March 7, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held at the Department of Commerce, Herbert C. Hoover Building, 1401 Constitution Avenue, Auditorium, Washington, DC 20230. Please note admittance instructions in the **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION** section below.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Cheryl L. Gendron, Manufacturing Extension Partnership, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-4800, telephone number (301) 975-2785, email: [Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The MEP Advisory Board is authorized under Section 3003(d) of the America COMPETES Act (Pub. L. 110-69), as amended by the Manufacturing Extension Partnership Improvement Act, Public Law 114-329 sec. 501 (2017), and codified at 15 U.S.C. 278k(m), in accordance with the provisions of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App. The Hollings MEP Program (Program) is a unique program, consisting of centers in each state in the United States and Puerto Rico with partnerships at the state, federal, and local levels. The MEP Advisory Board provides the NIST Director with: (1) Advice on the activities, plans, and policies of the Program; (2) assessments of the soundness of the plans and strategies of the Program; and (3) assessments of current performance against the plans of the Program.

Background information on the MEP Advisory Board is available at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>.

Pursuant to the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended, 5 U.S.C. App., notice is hereby given that the MEP Advisory Board will hold an open meeting on Tuesday, March 7, 2017, from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time. This meeting will focus on several topics. The MEP Advisory Board will receive an update on Hollings MEP programmatic operations, as well as provide guidance and advice to Hollings MEP senior management on the drafting of the 2017-2022 Strategic Plan. The MEP Advisory Board will also provide input to Hollings MEP on developing protocols that will connect user

facilities, research, and technologies at NIST and other federal laboratories with the help of the Hollings MEP national network to support small and mid-size manufacturers, and make recommendations on the establishment of a Hollings MEP Learning Organization. This encompasses an effort to strengthen connections by sharing best practices and building Working Groups and Communities of Practice for furtherance of the Hollings MEP Program's mission. The final agenda will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board Web site at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>.

*Admittance Instructions:* Anyone wishing to attend the MEP Advisory Board meeting must submit their name, email address and phone number to Cheryl Gendron ([Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov) or 301-975-2785) no later than Tuesday, February 28, 2017, 5:00 p.m. Eastern Time.

Individuals and representatives of organizations who would like to offer comments and suggestions related to the MEP Advisory Board's business are invited to request a place on the agenda. Approximately 15 minutes will be reserved for public comments at the end of the meeting. Speaking times will be assigned on a first-come, first-served basis. The amount of time per speaker will be determined by the number of requests received but is likely to be no more than three to five minutes each. The exact time for public comments will be included in the final agenda that will be posted on the MEP Advisory Board Web site at <http://www.nist.gov/mep/about/advisory-board.cfm>. Questions from the public will not be considered during this period. Speakers who wish to expand upon their oral statements, those who had wished to speak but could not be accommodated on the agenda, and those who were unable to attend in person are invited to submit written statements to the MEP Advisory Board, National Institute of Standards and Technology, 100 Bureau Drive, Mail Stop 4800, Gaithersburg, Maryland 20899-4800, via fax at (301) 963-6556, or electronically by email to [Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov](mailto:Cheryl.Gendron@nist.gov).

**Phillip A. Singerman,**

*Associate Director for Innovations and Industry Services.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council); Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service, National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration, Commerce.

**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 March 7-13, 2017. The Pacific Council meeting will begin on Wednesday, March 8, 2017 at 9 a.m., reconvening at 8 a.m. each day through Monday, March 13, 2017. All meetings are open to the public, except a closed session will be held from 8 a.m. to 9 a.m., Wednesday, March 8 to address litigation and personnel matters. The Pacific Council will meet as late as necessary each day to complete its scheduled business. To view Instructions for attending the meeting via live stream broadcast see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The Pacific Council and its advisory entities will hold the meetings, at the Hilton Vancouver Hotel, 301 West Sixth Street, Vancouver, Washington; telephone 360-993-4500.

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

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Mr. Chuck Tracy, Executive Director; telephone: 503-820-2280 or 866-806-7204 toll-free; or access the Pacific Council Web site, at <http://www.pcouncil.org>, for the current meeting location, proposed agenda, and meeting briefing materials.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The March 7-13, 2017 meeting of the Pacific Council will be streamed live on the internet. The broadcasts begin initially at 9 a.m. Pacific Time (PT) Wednesday, March 8, 2017 and continue at 8 a.m. daily through Monday, March 13, 2017. Broadcasts end daily at 6 p.m. PT 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 March Webinar ID, 897-986-459, 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 862-846-290, and enter 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 March 2017 briefing materials and posted on the Pacific Council Web site, at [www.pcouncil.org](http://www.pcouncil.org) no later than Friday, February 17, 2017.

#### 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. National Marine Sanctuaries Coordination Report
2. National Standard 1 Guidelines Carryover Provisions
3. Approval of Council Meeting Record
4. Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures
5. Future Council Meeting Agenda and Workload Planning

#### D. Habitat

1. Current Habitat Issues

#### E. Salmon Management

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report
2. Review of 2016 Fisheries and Summary of 2017 Stock Abundance Forecasts
3. Identification of Management Objectives and Preliminary Definition of 2017 *Salmon* Management Alternatives

4. Council Recommendations for 2017 Management Alternative Analysis
5. Further Council Direction for 2017 Management Alternatives
6. Adoption of 2017 Management Alternatives for Public Review
7. *Salmon* Hearings Officers

#### F. Ecosystem-Based Fishery Management

1. Annual State of the California Current Ecosystem Report
2. *Sablefish* Ecosystem Indicators
3. Review of Fishery Ecosystem Plan Initiatives

#### G. Enforcement Issues

1. Annual U.S. Coast Guard Fishery Enforcement Report

#### H. Pacific Halibut Management

1. Report on the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Meeting
2. Incidental Catch Recommendations Options for the *Salmon* Troll and Final Recommendations for Fixed Gear *Sablefish* Fisheries (Final Action)

#### I. Groundfish Management

1. *Salmon* Endangered Species Act (ESA) Consultation Analysis
2. Reports and Recommendations from *Groundfish* Science Workshops and Methodology Reviews
3. Consideration of Inseason Adjustments, Including Carryover (Final Action)
4. Implementation of the 2017 Pacific *Whiting* Fishery Under the U.S./Canada Agreement (Final Action)

#### J. Highly Migratory Species Management

1. National Marine Fisheries Service Report
2. Update on Existing Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs)
3. Proposed Deep-Set Buoy Gear Exempted Fishing Permits
4. Amendment 4 to the Fishery Management Plan for West Coast Fisheries for Highly Migratory Species (HMS FMP)
5. Recommendations for International Management Activities
6. Fishery Management Plan Amendment 5: Final Action Authorizing Federal Drift Gillnet Permit (Final Action)

#### 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 Web site [http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-](http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-briefing-book/)

[briefing-book/](http://www.pcouncil.org/council-operations/council-meetings/current-briefing-book/) no later than Friday, February 17, 2017.

#### Schedule of Ancillary Meetings

##### Day 1—Tuesday, March 7, 2017

- Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Ecosystem Workgroup 8 a.m.
- Habitat Committee 8 a.m.
- Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.

##### Day 2—Wednesday, March 8, 2017

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Ecosystem Workgroup 8 a.m.
- Groundfish* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Groundfish* Management Team 8 a.m.
- Salmon* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Salmon* Technical Team 8 a.m.
- Scientific and Statistical Committee 8 a.m.
- Enforcement Consultants 3 p.m.
- Tribal Policy Group Ad Hoc
- Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad Hoc

##### Day 3—Thursday, March 9, 2017

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
- 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.
- Salmon* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Salmon* Technical Team 8 a.m.
- Enforcement Consultants Ad Hoc
- Tribal Policy Group Ad Hoc
- Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad Hoc

##### Day 4—Friday, March 10, 2017

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.
- 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.
- Salmon* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.
- Salmon* Technical Team 8 a.m.
- Enforcement Consultants Ad Hoc
- Tribal Policy Group Ad Hoc
- Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad Hoc

##### Day 5—Saturday, March 11, 2017

- California State Delegation 7 a.m.
- Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.

Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
*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.  
*Salmon* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
*Salmon* Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad Hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad Hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad Hoc

**Day 6—Sunday, March 12, 2017**

California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
 Highly Migratory Species Management Team 8 a.m.  
*Salmon* Advisory Subpanel 8 a.m.  
*Salmon* Technical Team 8 a.m.  
 Enforcement Consultants Ad Hoc  
 Tribal Policy Group Ad Hoc  
 Tribal and Washington Technical Group Ad Hoc

**Day 7—Monday, March 13, 2017**

California State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Oregon State Delegation 7 a.m.  
 Washington State Delegation 7 a.m.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in this agenda may come before this Pacific 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 Pacific 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 Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt, at 503-820-2280, ext. 411 (see **ADDRESSES**) at least ten business days prior to the meeting date.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: February 10, 2017.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting 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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**Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings**

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public hearings and Webinar.

**SUMMARY:** The Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold five public hearings and Webinar to solicit public comments on Draft Amendment 46; the Gray *Triggerfish* Rebuilding Plan.

**DATES:** The meetings and Webinar will convene Monday, March 6, 2017; starting at 6 p.m. and will adjourn on Wednesday, March 15, 2017, no later than 9 p.m., to view the agenda see

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION.**

**ADDRESSES:** The public hearings will be held in Destin and St. Petersburg, FL, Corpus Christi and Galveston, TX, and Spanish Fort, AL.

*Council address:* Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council, 2203 N. Lois Avenue, Suite 1100, Tampa, FL 33607; (813) 348-1630 or on their Web site, at [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org).

*Public comments:* Written comments must be received on Tuesday, February 28, 2017, before 5 p.m. Comments may also be submitted online through the Council's public portal by visiting [www.gulfcouncil.org](http://www.gulfcouncil.org) and clicking on "CONTACT US".

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Douglas Gregory, Executive Director, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council; telephone: (813) 348-1630.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:**

**Agenda**

The agenda for the following five hearings and Webinar are as follows: Council staff will brief the public on the results of the gray *triggerfish* stock assessment and rebuilding status. Council staff will also provide an overview of the actions and alternatives considered in the amendment including the Council preferred alternatives. The Council is currently considering modifications to: The rebuilding time period, commercial and recreational annual catch limits (ACLs) and annual catch targets (ACTs), recreational management measures including modifications to the fixed closed seasons, and bag limit and minimum

size limits. The Council is also considering modifying the commercial trip limit while maintaining the current fixed closed season of June 1, 2017 through July 31, 2017. Staff and a Council member will be available to answer any questions and the public will have the opportunity to provide testimony on the amendment and other related testimony.

The schedule is as follows:

*Locations*

*Monday, March 6, 2017;* Hilton Garden Inn, 6717 S. Padre Island Drive, Corpus Christi, TX 78412; telephone: (361) 991-8200; Five Rivers Delta Resource Center, 30945 Five Rivers Boulevard, Spanish Fort, AL 36527; telephone: (251) 625-0814.

*Tuesday, March 7, 2017;* Destin Community Center, 101 Stahlman Ave, Destin, FL 32541; telephone: (850) 654-5184; Courtyard by Marriott, 9550 Seawall Boulevard, Galveston, TX 77554; telephone: (409) 497-2850.

*Thursday, March 9, 2017;* Hilton St. Petersburg Carillon Park, 950 Lake Carillon Drive, St. Petersburg, FL 33716; telephone: (727) 540-0050.

*Wednesday, March 15, 2017,* Webinar will convene at 6 p.m., at <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2003305067287307265>.

After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the Webinar.

**Special Accommodations**

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Kathy Pereira (see **ADDRESSES**), at least 5 business days prior to the meeting date.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

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

Dated: February 13, 2017.

**Tracey L. Thompson,**

*Acting Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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**DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE**

**National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration**

**Submission for OMB Review; Comment Request**

The Department of Commerce will submit to the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for clearance the