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201st Meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council

December 13, 2024 Standing Committee
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December 16-17, 2024 Council Plenary
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201st COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY		
<i>Friday, Dec 13</i>	<i>Monday, Dec 16</i>	<i>Tuesday, Dec 17</i>
Executive & Budget Standing Committee Meeting	Agency Reports	Protected Species
	Council Member Reports	Pelagic and International
	Action Items	Administrative Matters

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Executive & Budget Standing Committee 3:00 pm – 5:30 pm
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December 16-17, 2024

Council Meeting	Monday, December 16, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Tuesday, December 17, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.



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Monday, December 16, 2024

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. HST

- 11:00 AM **1** Welcome and Introductions
- 11:05 AM **2** Approval of the 201st CM Agenda
- 11:10 AM **3** Approval of the 200th CM Meeting Minutes
- 11:15 AM **4** Executive Director's Report

5 Agency Reports

- 11:30 AM **5.A** National Marine Fisheries Service
 - 5.A.1 Pacific Islands Regional Office*
 - 5.A.2 Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center*
- 11:40 AM **5.B** NOAA Office of General Counsel Pacific Islands Section
- 11:45 PM **5.C** US Coast Guard
- 11:50 AM **5.D** Enforcement
 - 5.D.1 NOAA Office of Law Enforcement*
 - 5.D.2 NOAA Office of General Counsel Enforcement Section*
- 12:00 PM **5.E** US State Department
- 12:10 PM **5.F** US Fish and Wildlife Service
- 12:15 PM **5.G** Public Comment
- 12:20 PM **5.H** Council Discussion and Action

Break 12:20 – 12:30 p.m.

6 Council Member Island Reports

- 12:30 PM **6.A** American Samoa
- 12:40 PM **6.B** CNMI
- 12:50 PM **6.C** Guam
- 1:00 PM **6.D** Hawaii
- 1:10 PM **6.E** Public Comment
- 1:20 PM **6.F** Council Discussion and Action

7 Action Items

- 1:30 PM **7.A** Main Hawaiian Islands Uku Fisheries
7.A.1 2024 MHI Uku WPSAR Report
7.A.2 2024 MHI Uku Stock Assessment Update
- 1:50 PM **7.B** Modifying the Guam Bottomfish Rebuilding Plan (*Final Action*)
- 2:10 PM **7.C** U.S. Catch Limits for North Pacific Striped Marlin (*Initial Action*)
- 2:30 PM **7.D** Hawaii and American Samoa Longline Fisheries Crew Training Requirement (*Initial Action*)
- 2:50 PM **7.E** Development of an Electronic Monitoring Program for Western Pacific Fisheries (*Initial Action*)
- 3:10 PM **7.F** Update on AS BMUS Revision-Tier 6 ABC Control Rule (*Initial Action*)
- 7.G** Guam Marine Conservation Plan
- 3:30 PM **7.H** Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
7.H.1 Advisory Panel
7.H.2 Fishing Industry Advisory Committee
7.H.3 Non-Commerical Fisheries Advisory Committee
7.H.4 Plan Team
7.H.5 Scientific & Statistical Committee
- 4:00 PM **7.I** Public Comment
- 4:15 PM **7.J** Council Discussion and Action

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

Tuesday, December 17, 2024

11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

8 Protected Species

- 11:00 AM **8.A** False Killer Whale Foreign Fleet Impacts Analysis
- 11:30 AM **8.B** Coral Critical Habitat Designation Final Rule
- 12:00 PM **8.C** Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
8.C.1 Advisory Panel
8.C.2 Fishing Industry Advisory Committee
8.C.3 Pelagic Plan Team
8.C.4 Scientific and Statistical Committee
- 12:30 AM **8.D** Public Comment
- 12:35 AM **8.E** Council Discussion and Action

9 Pelagic and International Fisheries

12:45 PM	9.A	International Fisheries
	9.A.1	<i>Outcomes of Technical and Compliance Meeting of the WCPFC</i>
	9.A.2	<i>U.S. Positions at WCPFC21 from PAC Meeting</i>
	9.A.3	<i>Outcomes of the WCPFC 21st Regular Session 2024</i>
1:10 PM	9.B	Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
	9.B.1	<i>Advisory Panels</i>
	9.B.2	<i>Fishing Industry Advisory Committee</i>
	9.B.3	<i>Pelagic Plan Team</i>
	9.B.4	<i>Scientific & Statistical Committee</i>
1:25 PM	9.C	Public Comment
1:30 PM	9.D	Council Discussion and Action

Break 1:40 – 2:00 p.m.

10 Administrative Matters

2:00 PM	10.A	Council Member and Staff Ethics Training
2:30 PM	10.B	Financial Reports
2:40 PM	10.C	Administrative Reports
2:50 PM	10.D	Report on IRA Program
3:00 PM	10.E	CCC Report
3:15 PM	10.F	Council Family Changes
3:25 PM	10.G	SSC Program Review
3:45 PM	10.H	Council Cultural Protocol Documents
3:55 PM	10.I	Meetings and Workshops
4:00 PM	10.J	Executive and Budget Standing Committee Report
4:10 PM	10.K	Public Comment
4:15 PM	10.L	Council Discussion and Action

11 Election of Officers

12 Other Business

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