



155th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee

March 11-13, 2025

King Kamehameha's Kona Beach Hotel
Kailua-Kona, HI

DRAFT AGENDA

Tuesday, March 11, 2025, 8:30 a.m. – 1 p.m. HST

Time	No.	Agenda Item
8:30 AM	1	Introductions
8:40 AM	2	Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
8:45 AM	3	Status of the 154th SSC Meeting Recommendations
8:50 AM	4	Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Director Report
5 Island Fisheries		
9:00 AM	5.A	Setting Acceptable Biological Catch (ABC) for the Main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) Uku (Action Item)
9:45 AM	5.B	Review of ABC for Precious Coral and Deep-water Shrimp (Action Item)
10:15 AM	5.C	CNMI Bottomfish Stock Assessment Update WPSAR Terms of Reference
10:30 AM	5.D	Public Comment
10:40 AM	5.E	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Break 10:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m.

6 Pelagic & International Fisheries		
	6.A	Electronic Monitoring Status Update
11:00 AM	6.A.1	<i>Update on EM Program Implementation</i>
11:30 AM	6.A.2	<i>EM Sampling Strategy and Planning</i>
12:00 PM	6.A.3	<i>Socioeconomic Impacts Analysis for Council Action</i>
12:30 PM	6.B	Public Comment
12:45 PM	6.C	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Wednesday, March 12, 2025, 9 a.m. – 5 p.m. HST

Note on Agenda Order for Day 2: Protected Species will be taken up before Program Planning

7 Program Planning and Research

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| 9:00 AM | 7.A | PIFSC Activities associated with MSRA Research Priorities |
| | 7.B | SSC Special Projects |
| 9:15 AM | 7.B.1 | <i>Overview of the SSC Special Project List</i> |
| 9:30 AM | 7.B.2 | <i>SSC Historical Perspective</i> |
| 10:00 AM | 7.B.3 | <i>Special Projects Presentation: SSC Process</i> |
| 10:30 AM | 7.B.4 | <i>Special Projects Presentation: Human Dimensions</i> |
| 11:00 AM | 7.C | Public Comment |
| 11:15 AM | 7.D | SSC Discussion and Recommendations |

11:30AM-12:30PM: Reserved for SSC Working Groups on Special Project Topics

Lunch Break 12:30 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.

8 Protected Species

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| 1:30 PM | 8.A | Council Protected Species Update |
| | 8.B | ESA and MMPA Updates |
| 2:00 PM | 8.B.1 | <i>Final 2023 False Killer Whale Stock Assessment Report</i> |
| 2:30 PM | 8.B.2 | <i>Status of ESA and MMPA Actions (Listings, Critical habitat, Take Reduction Plan)</i> |
| 3:00 PM | 8.C | Public Comment |
| 3:15 PM | 8.D | SSC Discussion and Recommendations |

3:30-5pm: Reserved for rapporteur work session

Thursday, March 13, 2025, 9 a.m. – 12 p.m. HST

9 Other Business

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| 9.A | SSC Meeting Schedule and Potential Working Groups |
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10 Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council

Remote Access Option through WebEx:

<https://tinyurl.com/155SSCMtg>

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