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## **Joint Intersessional Archipelagic & Pelagic Fishery Ecosystem Plan Team Meeting**

January 21-23, 2025

12:00 noon – 5:00 p.m. (Hawaii)

11:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. (American Samoa)

8:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. + 1 day (Guam and CNMI)

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### **AGENDA**

#### **Day One, Tuesday, January 21, 2025**

1. Welcome and Introductions (new PT members)
2. Report on 2024 Plan Team Recommendations and Work Items
  - A. Fishery Performance Work Items
    - i. American Samoa
      - a. Creel Survey Data Evaluation
      - b. Species-Specific Catch Reporting and ACL Tracking
      - c. Available FAD Program Data
    - ii. CNMI
      - a. Commercial Data Update
    - iii. Guam
      - a. Impact of Weather and Military Closures on Fishing Effort
    - iv. Hawaii
      - a. Bottomfish MUS Aggregation
      - b. Bottomfish Prevalence at UFA
    - v. Pelagics
      - a. Socioeconomic Observer Data Collection
      - b. Life History Module
    - vi. Commercial Fishery Data
      - a. Low Territorial Commercial Reporting
      - b. Discrepancies in Commercial Data Streams
    - vii. Oceanic and Ecosystem Indicators
      - a. Brainstorm of New Recruitment Indices
      - b. Tula Observatory Data
      - c. Data Integration / Fishery-Ecosystem Relationships
    - viii. Online Portal Review
  - B. Public Comment on Day 1 Agenda Items

#### **Day Two, Wednesday, January 22, 2025**

- C. Ecosystem Component Species Management
  - i. Presentation on How to Manage ECS
  - ii. Examples from other Councils

- iii. Ecosystem Objectives
- iv. How to promote back an MUS
- v. GCPI Perspective
- 3. Non-Commercial Fishery Performance
  - a. Pelagic Territorial Non-commercial Module
  - b. MRIP Presentation on Nature of MRIP Surveys and HMRFS
  - c. A new Approach to the Hawaii MUS Non-commercial Module
  - d. Discussion on Hawaii Non-Commercial Module stemming from December SSC
  - e. Including Uku Non-Commercial Catch
- 4. Public Comment on Day 2 Agenda Items

**Day Three, Thursday, January 23, 2025**

- 5. Annual SAFE Report Revamp Status Update
- 6. Council Actions
  - a. Tier 6 ABC Control Rule
  - b. American Samoa Bottomfish MUS Revision Updates
  - c. ACL Specifications
    - 1. CNMI BF
    - 2. Uku
    - 3. Kona crab
  - d. Pelagic Action Updates and Discussion
    - 1. Electronic Monitoring
    - 2. Crew Training
    - 3. North Pacific Striped Marlin
- 7. Other Business
- 8. Public Comment on Day 3 Agenda Items
- 9. Discussion and Recommendations

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