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**FISHERMEN WORKSHOPS ON ANNUAL CATCH LIMITS (ACL) &  
MARINE MAMMAL PROTECTION ACT (MMPA)**

**6-9pm, September 26, 2012:** Chiefess Kamakahahei Middle School Cafeteria, Lihue

**6-9pm, September 27, 2012:** UH Hilo Kanakaole Hall Room 122, Hilo

**6-9pm, October 2, 2012:** Maui Waena Intermediate School Cafeteria, Kahului

**6-9pm, October 3, 2012:** Kawananakoa Middle School Cafeteria, Honolulu

**AGENDA\***

**6:00pm**      **Welcome & Introductions**

**6:15pm**      **Annual Catch Limits (ACL)**

*Presentation:* Overview of Annual Catch Limits – what is it and how will it affect fishermen?

*Discussion:*

- How can data collection and ACL management be improved?
- Importance of the fishing community in the ACL process

**7:15pm**      **Marine Mammal Protection Act (MMPA)**

*Presentation:* Fishermen's Guide to Marine Mammal Protection Act: List of Fisheries, Stock Assessment Reports, and Beyond

*Discussion:*

- How are marine mammal stock assessments conducted for whales and dolphins in Hawaii's waters?
- What can fishermen do to help improve marine mammal stock assessments?

**8:15pm**      **Updates on Other Council Actions**

- Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) and Habitat Area of Particular Concern (HAPC)

**8:45pm**      **Wrap-up**

**9:00pm**      **Pau**

*\* This agenda is for the workshops to be held in Hilo, Honolulu, Kahului, and Lihue. For an agenda for the September 29<sup>th</sup> workshop in Kailua-Kona, go to <http://www.wpcouncil.org/meetings/>. (Content for all workshops will be the same.)*