



**139th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee
March 16-18, 2021
Web Conference**

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PUBLIC AGENDA

Tuesday, March 16, 2021, 11 a.m (Hawaii), 2 p.m. (Washington)

Wednesday, March 17, 2021, 7 a.m (Marianas), 8 a.m. (Noumea).

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs**
- 3. Status of the 138th SSC Meeting Recommendations**
- 4. Report from Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Director**

- 5. Program Planning and Research**
 - A. NMFS Briefing on Executive Order 13990 on Tackling the Climate Crisis at Home and Abroad
 - B. SSC Three-Year Plan
 - C. Updates to the Pacific Island Stock Assessment Prioritization
 - D. Integration of the 'Catch it Log it' app information into fisheries assessments and monitoring
 - E. Socio-Economic Context for Fisher-Shark Interaction in the Marianas
 - F. Public Comment
 - G. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

- 6. Island Fisheries**
 - A. Main Hawaiian Island (MHI) Deep 7 Bottomfish Fishery
 1. Report on the MHI Deep 7 Bottomfish Western Pacific Stock Assessment Review
 2. 2020 Deep 7 Bottomfish Stock Assessment Update
 3. Updates to the Acceptable Biological Catch (**Action Item**)
 - B. Territorial Bottomfish Fisheries
 1. Options for Managing the American Samoa Bottomfish Fishery
 2. Impact Analyses of the Guam BMUS Rebuilding Plan (**Action Items**)
 - C. Public Comment
 - D. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

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- 7. Protected Species**
 - A. Seabird Mitigation Measures in the Hawaii Longline Fishery

1. Options for Modifying Shallow-set Longline Fishery Seabird Mitigation Measures
2. Draft Tori Line Specifications for Deep-set Longline Fishery
- B. Shallow-set Longline Reasonable and Prudent Measures Working Group Update
- C. SSC Working Group on False Killer Whale Take Reduction Measures
- D. ESA Consultations for the Hawaii Deep-set Longline Fishery, American Samoa Longline Fishery, and Bottomfish Fisheries
- E. Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act Updates
- F. Public Comment
- G. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

8. Pelagic Fisheries

- A. American Samoa Longline Annual Fishery Report
- B. Hawaii Longline Annual Fishery Report
- C. Monte Carlo Analyses of Longline Mitigation Measures
- D. Oceanic Whitetip Shark Working Group Report and Options Document to Address MSA 304(i) Obligations
- E. Wire Leader Regulatory Amendment for the Hawaii Longline fishery (**Action Item**)
- F. Review of Analyses of Longline Leader Material on North Pacific Striped Marlin Catch Rates
- G. US Catch Limits for North Pacific Striped Marlin (**Action Item**)
- H. International Fisheries
 1. SPRFMO Science Committee
 2. Report of Outcomes of the 17th Session of the WCPFC
 3. Conceptual Frame for Workshop on Bigeye Tuna Management in WCPO Longline Fisheries
 4. Outcomes of the 34th FAO Committee on Fisheries
- I. Public Comment
- J. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Thursday, March 18, 2021, 11 a.m (Hawaii), 2 p.m. (Washington)

Friday, March 19, 2021, 7 a.m (Marianas), 8 a.m. (Noumea).

9. Other Business

- A. June 2021 SSC Meetings Dates

10. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council