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

**King Kamehameha Hotel Ballroom, Kailua-Kona
September 29, 2012, 1:30-4:30pm**

AGENDA*

1:30pm Welcome & Introductions

1:45pm 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?

2:45pm 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

3:45pm Updates on Other Council Actions

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

4:15pm Wrap-up

4:30pm Pau

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