



**DRAFT AGENDA**  
*Version October 13, 2014*

**161<sup>st</sup> Meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council**

October 20, 2014 Standing Committees

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October 21-23, 2014 Council Plenary

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October 21, 2014 Fishers Forum

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<b>160<sup>th</sup> COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY</b>			
<i>Monday, October 20</i>	<i>Tuesday, October 21</i>	<i>Wednesday, October 22</i>	<i>Thursday, October 23</i>
Fishery Data Collection and Research Committee	Agency Reports	American Samoa Archipelago FEP	Mariana Archipelago FEP
Pelagic Standing Committee	Program Planning and Research	Hawaii Archipelago FEP	Pelagic and International Fisheries
Executive and Budget Standing Committee	Fishers Forum	Protected Species	Administrative Matters
		Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Other Business

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Please note the actual order and timing of agenda items may vary somewhat from the proposed agenda. For example, items not completed on the scheduled day will be carried over to the next day. Items may be moved to an earlier or later time than shown on this Proposed Agenda or rescheduled for a different time during the week. In accordance with the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, fishery management regulatory actions not contained in this agenda may come before this Council for discussion. However, such issues may not be the subject of formal Council action during this meeting, unless they are emergency in nature.

**To present oral testimony or comments at this meeting,** fill-out a comment card, and indicate the agenda item on which you wish to speak. Cards are available at the sign-in desk outside the Council meeting room. Oral testimony is limited to three minutes. Please identify yourself and whom you represent at the beginning of your testimony. Public comment on non-agenda items will be taken on Wednesday, October 22, 2014, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Written comments received by Thursday October 16, 2014,** will be copied and distributed to Council members prior to the meeting. **After October 16, 2014** it is the submitter's responsibility to provide Council staff with an adequate number of copies at the meeting to ensure coverage of the Council (a minimum of 40 copies). Written comments may be submitted by e-mail to [info.wpcouncil@noaa.gov](mailto:info.wpcouncil@noaa.gov), faxed to (808) 522-8226 or mailed to the Council office at 1164 Bishop St., Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813.

Financial interest statements for the appointed Council members are available for inspection at the Council Office at the meeting.



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**Draft Agenda**

**Standing Committee Meetings**

October 20, 2014

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Fishery Data Collection and Research Committee	10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.
Pelagics and International Standing Committee	1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.
Executive and Budget Standing Committee	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**161<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting**

October 21-23, 2014

*Laniakea YWCA, Fuller Hall,*

*1040 Richards St.*

*Honolulu, HI 96813*

Council Meeting	Tuesday, October 21, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Wednesday, October 22, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Thursday, October 23, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

**Fishers Forum**

October 21, 2014

*Harbor View Center*

*1129 North Nimitz Hwy*

*Honolulu, HI 96817*

Hawaii Yellowfin and Striped Marlin Management	6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.
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# **Draft Agenda 161<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting**

*Laniakea YWCA, Fuller Hall, 1040 Richards St., Honolulu, HI 96813*

*Tuesday, October 21, 2014  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
  - A. Swearing In of New and Reappointed Members:**  
**John Gourley, Ed Ebisui, McGrew Rice**
- 2. Approval of the 161<sup>st</sup> Agenda**
- 3. Approval of the 160<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Executive Director's Report**
- 5. State of Ecosystem**
- 6. Agency Reports**
  - A. National Marine Fisheries Service
    1. Pacific Islands Regional Office
    2. Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center
  - B. NOAA Office of General Counsel, Pacific Islands Section
  - C. US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - D. Enforcement
    1. US Coast Guard
    2. NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
    3. NOAA Office of General Counsel, Enforcement Section
  - E. Public Comment
  - F. Council Discussion and Action

***Lunch Break 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.***

***1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.***

- 7. Program Planning and Research**
  - A. Specifying Annual Catch Limits for the American Samoa, Guam, CNMI bottomfish (**Action Item**)
  - B. Report on CIE review of Biomass Augmented Catch MSY Model
  - C. Reconsideration of ACLs and Accountability Measures for coral reef fish, crustacean, and MHI non-deep 7 bottomfish (**Action Item**)

- D. Regional Electronic Technologies Implementation Plan
- E. WPSAR Process and Policy
- F. Regional, National and International Outreach & Education
- G. Advisory Group Reports and Recommendations
  - 1. Fishery Data Collection and Research Committee
  - 2. Marine Planning and Climate Change Committee
  - 3. Education Steering Committee
- H. Social Science Reports
- I. SSC Recommendations
- J. Public Hearing
- K. Council Discussion and Action

## **Fishers Forum**

*Harbor View Center*

*6:00 – 9:00 pm*

*Hawaii Yellowfin and Striped Marlin Management*

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*Wednesday, October 22, 2014  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

**8. American Samoa Archipelago**

- A. Motu Lipoti
- B. Fono Report
- C. Enforcement Issues
- D. Community Activities and Issues
- E. Education and Outreach Initiatives
- F. American Samoa National Marine Sanctuary
- G. Rose Atoll Marine National Monument
- H. SSC Recommendations
- I. Public Comment
- J. Council Discussion and Action

**9. Hawaii Archipelago**

- A. Moku Pepa
- B. Legislative Report
- C. Enforcement
- D. Main Hawaiian Islands Bottomfish
  - 1. PIFSC Response to SSC Comments on MHI Deep 7 Bottomfish Stock Assessment
  - 2. Report on SSC subgroup regarding 2014 Main Hawaiian Island Deep 7 Stock Assessment
  - 3. Reconsideration of MHI Deep 7 ACL Specification (**Action Item**)
  - 4. State of Hawaii BRFA Management Plan
  - 5. Regulatory changes establishing a market delay for the sale and removal of non-commercial bag limits for MHI bottomfish (**Action Item**)
- E. Community Projects, Activities and Issues
  - 1. Report on Puwalu
  - 2. Council Marine Science Summer Class
  - 3. Outreach and Education Report
- F. Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary
- G. SSC Recommendations
- H. Public Hearing
- I. Council Discussion and Action

*Lunch Break 12:00 noon to 1:00 p.m.*

*1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

## **10. Protected Species**

- A. Report on the Hawaii Deep-set Longline Biological Opinion
- B. Draft 2014 Marine Mammal Stock Assessment Reports
- C. Updates on Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act Actions
  - 1. Final Determination to List Corals under the ESA
  - 2. Final Determination to List Scalloped Hammerhead Shark under the ESA
  - 3. 90-day Finding on a Petition to List Seven Species of Pomacentrid Reef Fish under the ESA
  - 4. Green Turtle Status Review
  - 5. North Pacific Humpback Whale Status Review
  - 6. Update on the FKW Take Reduction Plan Implementation
  - 7. Proposed 2015 List of Fisheries
  - 8. Other Relevant Actions
- D. SSC Recommendations
- E. Public Comment
- F. Council Discussion and Action

***4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.***

## **11. *Public Comment on Non-agenda Items***

*Thursday, October 23, 2014*  
*8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

## **12. Mariana Archipelago**

- A. Guam
  - 1. Isla Informe
  - 2. Legislative Report
  - 3. Enforcement Issues
  - 4. Community Activities and Issues
- B. Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands
  - 1. Arongol Falú
  - 2. Legislative Report
  - 3. Enforcement Issues
  - 4. Community Activities and Issues
- C. Marianas Trench Marine National Monument: Islands, Volcanic, and Trench Units
- D. SSC Recommendations
- E. Public Hearing
- F. Council Discussion and Action

## **13. Pelagic & International Fisheries**

- A. FEP Amendment for RFMO Measures
  - 1. Development of a framework process to implement RFMO conservation and management measures under the Pelagic FEP
  - 2. Draft Proposed Regulations to address overfishing and overfished status of WCPO NP striped marlin (**Action Item**)
- B. Bigeye stock status (**Action Item**)
- C. Hawaii Yellowfin and Bigeye Commercial Minimum Size Limit (**Action Item**)
- D. American Samoa EEZ Albacore Catch Limit (**Action Item**)
- E. Disproportionate Burden Workshop
- F. International Fisheries
  - 1. WCPFC Science Committee
  - 2. WCPFC Northern Committee
  - 3. WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee
  - 4. US Permanent Advisory Committee
- G. Expansion of the Pacific Remote Islands Marine National Monument (**Action Item**)
  - 1. Changes to Monument Boundaries
  - 2. Council Action
- H. SSC Recommendations
- I. Standing Committee Recommendations
- J. Public Hearing
- K. Council Discussion and Recommendations



*Lunch Break 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.*

*1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

**14. Administrative Matters**

- A. Council Member & Staff Ethics Training
- B. Financial Reports
- C. Administrative Reports
- D. Council Family Changes
  - 1. Advisory Panel Appointments
  - 2. Marine Planning and Climate Change Committee
- E. Meetings and Workshops
- F. Report on Operational Guidelines Workshop
- G. Report on MSA Reauthorization
- H. Other Business
- I. Standing Committee Recommendations
- J. Public Comment
- K. Council Discussion and Action

**15. Election of Officers**

**16. Other Business**

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