



**DRAFT PUBLIC AGENDA**  
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**162<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council**

March 14, 2015 Standing Committees

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March 16-18, 2015 Council Plenary

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March 17, 2015 Fishers Forum

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**162<sup>nd</sup> COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY**

<i>Saturday, March 14</i>	<i>Monday, March 16</i>	<i>Tuesday, March 17</i>	<i>Wednesday, March 18</i>
	Agency Reports	American Samoa Archipelago	Mariana Archipelago
Pelagic and International Standing Committee	Program Planning and Research	Hawaii Archipelago	Pelagic and International Fisheries
Executive and Budget Standing Committee		Protected Species	Administrative Matters
		Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Other Business
		Fishers Forum	

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**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 Tuesday, March 17, 2015, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

**Written comments received by Monday March 9, 2015**, will be copied and distributed to Council members prior to the meeting. **After March 9, 2015** 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.

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## Draft Agenda

### Standing Committee Meetings

March 14, 2015  
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Pelagic 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.

### 162<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting

March 16-18, 2015  
Laniakea YWCA, Fuller Hall,  
1040 Richards St.  
Honolulu, HI 96813

Council Meeting	Monday, March 16, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Tuesday, March 17, 8:30 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Wednesday, March 18, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

### Fishers Forum

6:00 – 9:00 p.m.  
Wednesday March 17, 2015  
Harbor View Center  
1129 North Nimitz Hwy  
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# Draft Agenda 162<sup>nd</sup> Council Meeting

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

*Monday, March 16, 2015  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Approval of the 162<sup>nd</sup> Agenda**
- 3. Approval of the 161<sup>st</sup> Meeting Minutes**
- 4. Executive Director's Report**
- 5. 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
    4. Sea Dragon Aerial Surveillance System
  - E. Public comment
  - F. Council discussion and action

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

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

- 6. Program Planning and Research**
  - A. National Standard Guidelines 1, 3 & 7 proposed rule
  - B. Report on National Scientific & Statistical Committee Workshop V
  - C. Report on Fishery Ecosystem Plan review by Council family & public
  - D. NOAA Fisheries Draft Climate Science Strategy
  - E. Fisheries Internship and Student Help Project
  - F. Regional, national and international outreach & education
  - G. Advisory group reports and recommendations
    1. Marine Planning and Climate Change Committee
    2. MAFAC Climate & Marine Resources Task Force report
  - H. Social science reports

1. Report on Regional Fishery Management Councils' Social Science Meeting
- I. Advisory Panel recommendations
- J. Scientific & Statistical Committee recommendations
- K. Public comment
- L. Council discussion and action

*Tuesday, March 17, 2015*  
*8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

**7. American Samoa Archipelago**

- A. Motu lipoti
- B. Fono report
- C. Enforcement issues
- D. Community activities and issues
  1. Report on the Governor's Fisheries Committee
  2. Fisheries development
    - a. Fish market dedication
    - b. Tri Marine/Samoa Tuna Processors grand opening of canning ops
  3. MRIP & TSI updates
- E. Education and Outreach Initiatives
  1. AS lunar calendar & student poster contest
  2. AS summer high school fisheries & marine resource management course
  3. TSI seafood vendors forum
  4. MRIP fishermen forum
  5. Manu`a outreach project summary
- F. Advisory Panel recommendations
- G. Scientific & Statistical Committee recommendations
- H. Public comment
- I. Council discussion and action

**8. Hawaii Archipelago & PRIA**

- A. Moku pepa
- B. Legislative report
- C. Enforcement
- D. Main Hawaiian Islands bottomfish
  1. PIFSC meeting with main Hawaiian Islands bottomfish fishermen
  2. Report on the CIE review of the 2014 MHI Deep 7 bottomfish stock assessment
  3. Report on 2<sup>nd</sup> Hawaii Bottomfish Research Workshop
  4. Report on public scoping meetings
- E. Community projects, activities and issues
  1. Fish processing waste: a valuable co-product from Hawaii fisheries
  2. Hawaii community FADS
  3. Outreach and education report
  4. Lahaina Marine Planning Project

- 5. Report on West Hawai'i Habitat Blue Print focus area
- F. Hawaiian Islands Humpback Whale National Marine Sanctuary
- G. Advisory Panel recommendations
  - 1. Cross Seamount
- H. Scientific & Statistical Committee recommendations
- I. Public comment
- J. Council discussion and action

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

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

**9. Protected Species**

- A. Endangered Species Act listed corals
  - 1. Section 7 consultations for coral species
  - 2. Advanced Notice of Proposed Rulemaking on 4(d) Take Prohibition for Corals
  - 3. Other relevant actions
- B. Effectiveness of Management Measures Implemented under the False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan
- C. Draft 2014 Marine Mammal Stock Assessment Reports
- D. Updates on Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act Actions
  - 1. Green Turtle Status Review
  - 2. North Pacific Humpback Whale Status Review
  - 3. Other relevant actions
- E. Endangered Species Act Section 7 Integration Policy Directive
- F. Managing Green Turtles under the Council's Archipelagic Fishery Ecosystem Plans
- G. Advisory Panel recommendations
- H. Scientific & Statistical Committee recommendations
- I. Public comment
- J. Council discussion and action

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

**10. Public Comment on Non-agenda Items**

**Fishers Forum  
Stock Assessment**

*Harbor View Center*

*6:00 – 9:00 pm*

*Wednesday, March 18, 2015*  
*8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

## **11. Mariana Archipelago**

- A. Guam
  - 1. Isla informe
  - 2. Legislative report
  - 3. Enforcement issues
  - 4. Community activities and issues
    - a. Update on Malesso CBMP implementation
    - b. Report on Village of Yigo CBMP meeting
    - c. Report on Manell-Geus Habitat Blueprint Focus Area
    - d. Report on indigenous fishing rights initiatives
    - e. Report on the Guam fishing conflict
- B. Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands
  - 1. Arongol falú
  - 2. Legislative report
  - 3. Enforcement issues
  - 4. Community activities and issues
    - a. Report on Northern Islands CBMP meeting
    - b. Report on CNMI Joint Military Training EIS
  - 5. Education and outreach
    - a. Radio talk show
- C. Marianas Trench Marine National Monument: Islands, Volcanic, and Trench Units
- D. Advisory Panel recommendations
- E. Scientific & Statistical Committee recommendations
- F. Public comment
- G. Council discussion and action

## **12. Pelagic & International Fisheries**

- A. Hawaii yellowfin and bigeye commercial minimum size limit
  - 1. Report on Public meetings
  - 2. Update on biological implications of changing size limit
  - 3. Socio-economic considerations
- B. American Samoa Large Vessel Prohibited Area Temporary Exemption (**Action Item**)
- C. American Samoa longline EEZ albacore catch limit (**Action Item**)
- D. Territory longline bigeye specification (**Action Item**)
- E. Report on IUU and seafood labeling
- F. International fisheries
  - 1. Western & Central Pacific Fisheries Commission 11<sup>th</sup> regular session
- G. Advisory Panel recommendations
- H. Scientific & Statistical Committee 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.*

**13. Administrative Matters**

- A. Financial reports
- B. Administrative reports
- C. Council family changes
  - 1. Advisory Panel changes
  - 2. Plan Team changes
- D. Meetings and workshops
- E. Other business
- F. Standing Committee recommendations
- G. Public comments
- H. Council discussion and action

**14. Other Business**

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