



**DRAFT AGENDA**  
*Oct. 7, 2016*

**168<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council**

October 11, 2016 Standing Committees

Council Office  
1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400  
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October 12-14, 2016 Council Plenary

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

**168<sup>th</sup> COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA SUMMARY**

<i>Tuesday, October 11</i>	<i>Wednesday, October 12</i>	<i>Thursday, October 13</i>	<i>Friday, October 14</i>
	Agency Reports	Pelagic and International Fisheries	Hawaii Archipelago & American Samoa Archipelago
Pelagic and International Standing Committee	Activity Tour of the IRC	Program Planning and Research & Protected Species	Mariana Archipelago Administrative Matters
Executive and Budget Standing Committee	Fisher's Forum	Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Other Business

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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 Wednesday, October 13, 2016, from 4:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.

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## **Draft Agenda**

### **Standing Committee Meetings**

October 11, 2016

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Pelagic and International Standing Committee (Council Office)	9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon
Executive and Budget Standing Committee (Council Office)	3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

### **168<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting**

October 12-14, 2016

*Laniakea YWCA, Fuller Hall,*

*1040 Richards St.*

*Honolulu, HI 96813*

Council Meeting	Wednesday, October 12, 8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.
Fishers Forum (Ala Moana Hotel)	6:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Thursday, October 13, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.
Council Meeting	Friday, October 14, 8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

# Draft Agenda 168<sup>th</sup> Council Meeting

*Laniakea YWCA, Fuller Hall,  
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*Wednesday, October 12, 2016  
8:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.*

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**  
Opening Remarks from State of Hawai‘i
- 2. Oath of Office – Dean Sensui, Christinna Lutu-Sanchez & Archie Soliai**
- 3. Approval of the 168<sup>th</sup> Agenda**
- 4. Approval of the 166<sup>th</sup> & 167<sup>th</sup> Meeting Minutes**
- 5. Executive Director’s Report**
- 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 State Department
  - D. US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - E. Enforcement
    1. US Coast Guard
    2. NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
    3. NOAA Office of General Counsel, Enforcement Section
  - F. Other Items
  - G. Public Comment
  - H. Council Discussion and Action

*Adjourn for the Day  
11:00 a.m.*

**Welcome Tour of the IRC and Facilities  
11:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.**

*Fishers Forum  
6:00 p.m. 9:00 p.m.  
Ala Moana Hotel  
Garden Lanai*

*Thursday, October 13, 2016  
8:30 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

**7. Pelagic & International Fisheries**

- A. Addressing the AP Article on Foreign Crew in the Hawaii Longline Fleet
- B. Report on the Pelagic SAFE report development
- C. Hawaii & American Samoa Longline Fisheries Reports
  - 1. Longline Fisheries Reports
  - 2. Hawaii Longline Bigeye CPUE Trends
- D. WCPO Spatial Longline Bigeye Analysis
- E. Report on WCPO and EPO Bigeye Tuna Limits
- F. 2017 US Participating Territory Bigeye Tuna Limits (**Action Item**)
- G. Impacts of ELAPS on American Samoa economy
- H. Am. Samoa LVPA exemption and recent fisheries statistics
- I. Update on Hawaii longline Electronic Reporting/Video Monitoring
- J. International Fisheries Meetings
  - 1. WCPFC Science Committee
  - 2. WCPFC Northern Committee
  - 3. WCPFC Technical and Compliance Committee
  - 4. Permanent Advisory Committee to US Delegation to WCPFC
  - 5. Continuation of 90<sup>th</sup> IATTC meeting
- K. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Fishing Industry Advisory Committee
  - 3. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- L. Standing Committee Recommendations
- M. Public Hearing
- N. Council Discussion and Action

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

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

**8. Program Planning and Research**

- A. Expansion of NWHI Monument (**Action**)
  - 1. Recommendations on Implementing Fishing Provisions of the Papahānaumokuākea Monument Expansion Proclamation
  - 2. Economic impact of lost EEZ fishing grounds
- B. MRIP Strategic Planning Workshop update
- C. WPRFMC Coral Reef Conservation Program FY 17-19 project proposals
- D. Updates on Marine National Monuments
  - 1. NMFS
  - 2. USFWS
- E. Report on IUCN World Conservation Congress
- F. Status of Aquaculture PEIS
- G. Regional, National and International Outreach & Education

- H. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Social Science Planning Committee
  - 3. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- I. Public Hearing
- J. Council Discussion and Action

## **9. Protected Species**

- A. Hawaii Longline False Killer Whale Project Updates
  - 1. Depredation mitigation device project
  - 2. Acoustic monitoring of false killer whale depredation
- B. Re-consultation of the Hawaii Deep-set longline fishery
- C. Rare Events Bycatch Workshop Update
- D. Status of Marine Mammal Scientific Review Group Membership
- E. Updates on ESA and Marine Mammal Protection Act Actions
  - 1. Humpback Whale Listing Final Rule
  - 2. False Killer Whale Take Reduction Team
  - 3. Insular False Killer Whale Recovery Planning
  - 4. Other Actions
- F. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- G. Public Comment
- H. Council Discussion and Action

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

*Public Comment on Non-agenda Items*

*Friday October 14, 2016  
8:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.*

## **10. Hawaii Archipelago & PRIA**

- A. Moku Pepa
  - 1. Hawaii Coral Reef Bleaching Plan
- B. Legislative Report
- C. Enforcement Issues
- D. Community Issues
  - 1. Promise to Paeaina
  - 2. Status of the Ohai CDP application
- E. Report on IUCN and the Sustainable Hawaii Initiative
- F. Analysis of Hawaii MUS catch for possible ecosystem component classification
- G. Report on the MHI Deep-7 Bottomfish Workshops
- H. Updates on the HMRFS data collection improvement project

- I. Update on State of Hawaii Research and Monitoring
- J. Biomass and spatial distribution of *Selar crumenophthalmus* from aerial surveys in Oahu
- K. Education and Outreach Initiatives
- L. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- M. Public Comment
- N. Council Discussion and Action

## **11. American Samoa Archipelago**

- A. Motu Lipoti
- B. Fono Report
- C. Enforcement Issues
- D. Community Activities and Issues
  - 1. Report on Pacific Island Regional Planning Body initiatives
- E. Education and Outreach
- F. Advisory Group Reports and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- G. Public Comment
- H. Council Discussion and Action

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

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

## **12. Mariana Archipelago**

- A. Guam
  - 1. Isla Informe
  - 2. Legislative Report
  - 3. Enforcement Issues
  - 4. Community Activities and Issues
    - a. Report on Yigo Community Planning
    - b. Report on sea cucumber regulations
    - c. Status of the Guam Fisheries Council
    - d. Military Expansion Issues
    - e. Report on Guam Coral Reef Fisheries Mapping
  - 5. Education and Outreach Initiatives
- B. Commonwealth of Northern Mariana Islands
  - 1. Arongol Falú
  - 2. Legislative Report
  - 3. Enforcement Issues
  - 4. CNMI Submerged Lands Agreement
  - 5. Community Activities and Issues
    - a. Report on Northern Islands Community Planning

- b. Military Expansion Issues
- 6. Education and Outreach Initiatives
- C. Marianas Trench Marine National Monument Mapping Application
- D. Advisory Group Reports and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- E. Public Comment
- F. Council Discussion and Action

**13. Administrative Matters**

- A. Council Member and Staff Annual Training on Standards of Conduct
- B. Financial Reports
- C. Administrative Reports
- D. Update on information inquiries and responses
- E. Regional Operating Agreement – Essential Fish Habitat Appendix
- F. Council Family Changes
- G. Meetings and Workshops
- H. Other Business
- I. Standing Committee Recommendations
- J. Public Comment
- K. Council Discussion and Action

**14. Election of Officers**

**15. Other Business**

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