



Future of the Main Hawaiian Islands Bottomfish Fishery: History, Research and Management

**March 15, 2016
6:00 to 9:00 p.m.**

Hibiscus Ballroom II, Ala Moana Hotel
410 Akinson Drive, Honolulu, Hawaii

Open House – Informational Tables and Refreshments

- Western Pacific Fishery Management Council –Management of the MHI bottomfish fishery and annual catch limits
- Hawaii Division of Aquatic Resources –Monitoring of the Fishery – Reporting, logbooks, BF registration
- Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center, NMFS – Research and assessments
- Pacific Islands Regional Office, NMFS – Non-Commercial permit and reporting
- Pacific Islands Fisheries Group – Cooperative Research on tagging, bio-sampling and fishery independent monitoring
- Hawaii Fishermen's Association for Culture and Tradition – History of the fishery: The art of bottomfish fishing and passing down of generational knowledge

Presentations and Discussion

- 1) Introduction and Welcome to the Forum
- 2) Greetings from the Council
- 3) Panel Presentation
 - a. Monitoring and Management of the Fishery
 - b. Status of the Bottomfish Resource
 - c. Managing the Fishery Today through Annual Catch Limits
 - d. Fishermen's Perspective on the Management Regime
- 4) Moderated Panel Discussion
- 5) Public Questions and Discussion
- 6) Closing Remarks