



**128th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee
March 6-8, 2018
Council Office Conference Room**

AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 6, 2018

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs**
- 3. Status of the 127th SSC Meeting Recommendations**
- 4. Report from the Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Director**
- 5. Insular Fisheries**
 - A. Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish Fishery
 1. Report on the WPSAR of the Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish Fishery
 2. Stock assessment for the Main Hawaiian Islands Deep 7 Bottomfish Complex 2018, with Catch Projections Through 2022
 - B. Options for Refining Precious Corals Essential Fish Habitat (**Action Item**)
 - C. Updates to the Ecosystem Component Classification (**Action Item**)
 - D. Public Comment
 - E. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
- 6. Program Planning and Research**
 - A. Report on the National SCS Meeting 6
 - B. Potential Ecosystem Indicators for Nearshore Fisheries
 - C. Implementing Ecosystem-Based Fisheries Management in the Western Pacific Region
 - D. Updating the Management Strategy Evaluation priorities
 - E. Review of the Terms-of-Reference for the WPSAR of the Kona crab benchmark assessment
 - F. Public Comment
 - G. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 7, 2018

7. Pelagic Fisheries

- A. Hawaii Longline Fisheries
 - 1. Hawaii Annual Longline Fisheries Report
 - 2. Framework for Managing Sea Turtle Interactions in the Hawaii Shallow-set Longline Fishery (**Action Item**)
- B. US Territory Longline Bigeye Specification (**Action Item**)
- C. American Samoa Longline Fisheries
 - 1. American Samoa Annual Longline Fisheries Report
 - 2. American Samoa Large Vessel Prohibited Area (**Action Item**)
 - a. Report on American Samoa Cultural Fishing
 - 3. American Samoa Swordfish Trip Limit (**Action Item**)
- D. Electronic Monitoring and Reporting
 - 1. Electronic Monitoring in the Hawaii Longline Fisheries
 - 2. Electronic Reporting in the Hawaii Longline Fisheries
 - 3. PIRO Observer Program Electronic Reporting
- E. International Fisheries
 - 1. WCPFC 14 Outcomes
- F. Public Comment
- G. SSC Discussion and Action

8. Protected Species

- A. Report of the Albatross Workshop
- B. Report of the 2017 Hawaiian Islands Cetacean and Ecosystem Assessment Survey
- C. False Killer Whale Take Reduction Measures
- D. Updates on Endangered Species Act and Marine Mammal Protection Act Actions
 - 1. Insular False Killer Whale Critical Habitat
 - 2. Insular False Killer Whale Recovery Plan
 - 3. Coral Critical Habitat
 - 4. Loggerhead Turtle Recovery Plan
 - 5. Oceanic Whitetip Shark and Giant Manta Ray Listing Final Rules
 - 6. Other Actions
- E. Public Comment
- F. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

8:30 a.m. Thursday March 8, 2018

9. Other Business

- A. 129th SSC Meeting
- B. Updates from the Social Science Planning Committee
- C. Revisions to the SSC three year plan

10. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council