



**135th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee
March 3 to 5, 2020
Council Office Conference Room
Honolulu, HI**

PUBLIC AGENDA

8:30 a.m. Tuesday, March 3, 2020

- 1. Introductions**
- 2. Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs**
- 3. Status of the 134th SSC Meeting Recommendations**
- 4. Report from Pacific Islands Fisheries Science Center Director**
- 5. Program Planning and Research**
 - A. Standardized Bycatch Reporting Methodology
 - B. Public Comment
 - C. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
- 6. Island Fisheries**
 - A. Options Paper to Amend Bottomfish Management Unit Species in the American Samoa and Marianas FEP (**Initial Action**)
 - B. Specifying the Acceptable Biological Catches (ABC) in the Marianas Bottomfish Fisheries
 1. P-star analysis
 2. SEEM analysis
 3. Options for ABC in the Marianas Bottomfish Fisheries (**Final Action**)
 - C. Interim Measure for American Samoa Bottomfish Fishery
 - D. Requirements for Rebuilding Plans
 - E. Update on Hawaii Precious Corals EFH and Associated Bed Designation Issues
 - F. Public Comment
 - G. SSC Discussion and Recommendations
- 7. Protected Species**
 - A. False Killer Whale Abundance Estimates
 - B. Assessing Population Level Impacts of Marine Turtle Interactions in the Hawaii Deep-set Longline Fishery
 - C. Hawaii-based Shallow-set Longline Fishery Biological Opinion Reasonable and Prudent Measures Working Group
 - D. Ecosystem-based Fisheries Management Project for Protected Species Impacts Assessment for Hawaii and American Samoa Longline Fisheries
 - E. Public Comment
 - F. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

8:30 a.m. Wednesday, March 5, 2020

SSC Plenary Presentation: Dr. Shelton Harley “Threat Management Plan for Two Endemic Subspecies of Dolphins”

8. Pelagic Fisheries

- A. American Samoa Longline Annual Fishery Report
- B. Hawaii Longline Annual Fishery Report
- C. Pacific Islands Pelagic Fisheries Research Initiatives
 - 1. Ongoing Pelagic Research
 - 2. Use of C-14 Analyses on Age Distribution of Tropical Tunas
 - 3. Discussion on Effects of Closed Areas on Hawaii Longline Fisheries
- D. Counterfactual Analysis of Closed Areas at Palmyra Atoll, Kingman Reef, and Johnston Atoll
- E. Electronic Reporting and Electronic Monitoring
 - 1. Electronic Technologies Implementation Plan
 - 2. Pacific Islands Region Longline Electronic Reporting Plan and Options for Implementation of Mandatory Reporting
 - 3. Pacific Islands Regional Observer Program Overview and Costs
 - 4. 2020 Electronic Monitoring Workshop
- F. US Territory Longline Bigeye Catch/Allocation Limits (**Final Action**)
- G. Deep Sea Mining and Spatial Planning in the Pacific
- H. International Fisheries
 - 1. WCPFC
 - a. Conservation and Management Measures on Tropical Tunas
 - b. North Pacific Striped Marlin Rebuilding Plan
 - 2. Biodiversity Beyond National Jurisdiction
- I. Report on Scoping Meeting on Small Boat Pelagic Reporting
- J. Public Comment
- K. SSC Discussion and Recommendations

8:30 a.m. Thursday, March 6, 2020

9. Other Business

- A. June 2020 SSC Meetings Dates
- B. National SSC Meeting Trigger Questions

10. Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council