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**DRAFT AGENDA**  
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**184th Meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council**

December 1, 2020 Standing Committees  
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December 2-4, 2020 Council Plenary  
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<b>184th Council meeting Agenda Summary</b>			
<b><i>Tuesday, December 1</i></b>	<b><i>Wednesday, December 2</i></b>	<b><i>Thursday, December 3</i></b>	<b><i>Friday, December 4</i></b>
Pelagic & International Standing Committee	Agency Reports	Protected Species	Program Planning & Research
Executive & Budget Standing Committee	Pelagic and International Fisheries	American Samoa Archipelago	Hawaii Archipelago & PRIA
	Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items	Mariana Archipelago	Administrative Matters
			Election of Officers & Other Business

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## Council Committee Meetings

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December 1, 2020

*By Web Conference (No Public Host Sites)*

Pelagic & International Standing Committee

1:00 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.

<https://wprfmc.webex.com/meet/info.wpcouncilnoaa.gov>

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Executive & Budget Standing Committee

3:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m.

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## 184th Council Meeting

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Council Meeting

Wednesday, December 2, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items

4:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Council Meeting

Thursday, December 3, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

Council Meeting

Friday, December 4, 11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.

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**Wednesday, December 2, 2020**  
**11:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

- 1. Welcome and Introductions**
- 2. Approval of the 184<sup>th</sup> Agenda**
- 3. Approval of the 183<sup>rd</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. Enforcement
    1. US Coast Guard
    2. NOAA Office of Law Enforcement
    3. NOAA Office of General Counsel  
Enforcement Section
  - D. US State Department
  - E. US Fish and Wildlife Service
  - F. Public Comment
  - G. Council Discussion and Action

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- 6. Pelagic & International Fisheries**
  - A. Region Bigeye Tuna Research Plan
  - B. Oceanic Whitetip Working Group Report
  - C. North Pacific Striped Marlin
    1. Proposed Conservation and Management Measure for North Pacific Striped Marlin
    2. Options for Catch and/or Effort Limits for North Pacific Striped Marlin for Amendment 8 (**Initial Action**)
  - D. RPMs and/or RPAs for the Hawaii and American Samoa Longline Fisheries (**Initial Action**)
  - E. International Fisheries
    1. WCPFC
      - a. WCPFC Committee Outcomes

- b. US Permanent Advisory Committee
- 2. Proposed Conservation and Management Measure for Tropical Tunas
- 3. Virtual Roundtable on IUU Fishing and the Western Pacific Region
- F. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Pelagic Plan Team
  - 2. Advisory Panel
  - 3. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- G. Standing Committee Report and Recommendations
- H. Public Comment
- I. Council Discussion and Action

**4:30 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

*(approximate time; remaining agenda items for the day may shift)*

**Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items**

**Thursday, December 3, 2020**

**11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.**

**7. Protected Species**

- A. Seabird Mitigation Measures
  - 1. Review of Experimental Fishing Permit
  - 2. Options for Including Tori Lines in the Hawaii Longline Fishery Seabird Mitigation Measures
- B. Stories of Conservation Success: Results of Interviews with Hawaii Longline Fishers
- C. Ecosystem-based Fishery Management Project TurtleWatch Validation
- D. ESA and MMPA Updates
  - 1. Status of ESA Consultations
  - 2. Coral Critical Habitat
  - 3. Insular FKW Draft Recovery Plan
  - 4. False Killer Whale Take Reduction Plan
  - 5. Other Updates
- E. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Pelagic Plan Team
  - 2. Advisory Panel
  - 3. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- F. Public Comment
- G. Council Discussion and Action

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**8. American Samoa Archipelago**

- A. Motu Lipoti
- B. DMWR Report
  - 1. CARES Act distribution of funds
  - 2. Catchit Logit App Training
  - 3. Bottomfish Fono Resolution
- C. American Samoa Bottomfish Fisheries

1. Update on the Bottomfish Fishery Interim Measure
2. Options for Annual Catch Limits 2021-2022 (**Initial Action**)
3. Options for Bottomfish Stock Rebuilding Plan (**Initial Action**)
- D. Status of the American Samoa Large Vessel Prohibited Area
- E. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  1. Advisory Panel
  2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- F. Public Comment
- G. Council Discussion and Action

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## 9. Mariana Archipelago

- A. Guam
  1. Isla Informe
  2. DOA/DAWR Report
    - a. CARES Act distribution of funds
    - b. Catchit Logit App Training
    - c. Mandatory Licensing and Reporting
  3. Options for Guam Bottomfish Stock Rebuilding Plan (**Initial Action**)
  4. Report on the Compact of Free Association Renegotiation
- B. CNMI
  1. Arongol Falú
  2. DLNR/DFW Report
    - a. CARES Act distribution of funds
    - b. Catchit Logit App Training
- C. Advisory Group Reports and Recommendations
  1. Advisory Panel
  2. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- D. Public Comment
- E. Council Discussion and Action

*Friday, December 4, 2020*

*11:00 a.m. – 5:00 p.m.*

## 10. Program Planning and Research

- A. National Legislative Report
- B. Electronic Technologies Implementation Plan
- C. Status of Pacific Islands Marine Monuments
- D. Update on Interagency US Seafood Trade Task Force
- E. Regional Communications & Outreach Report
- F. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  1. Advisory Panel
  2. Non-Commercial Fisheries Advisory Committee
  3. Fishing Industry Advisory Committee
  4. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- G. Public Comment
- H. Council Discussion and Action

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**11. Hawai‘i Archipelago & Pacific Remote Island Areas (PRIA)**

- A. Moku Pepa
- B. DLNR/DAR Report
  - 1. CARES Act funding distribution
- C. Plans for Hawaii Fishery Management
- D. Advisory Group Report and Recommendations
  - 1. Advisory Panel
  - 2. Fishing Industry Advisory Committee
  - 3. Scientific & Statistical Committee
- E. Public Comment
- F. Council Discussion and Action

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**12. Administrative Matters**

- A. Financial Reports
  - 1. Current Grants
- B. Administrative Reports
- C. Program Plan Report
- D. Council Coordination Committee
- E. Council Family Changes
- F. Meetings and Workshops
- G. Code of Ethic Training
- H. Standing Committee Report and Recommendations
- I. Public Comment
- J. Council Discussion and Action

**13. Election of Officers**

**14. Other Business**

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