



Upcoming Events

The 149th Scientific & Statistical Committee (SSC) meeting will be held Sept. 12 to 14, 2023, at the Council office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI. The meeting will be in a hybrid format, with in-person participation available for SSC members and the public, or remote participation via Webex: <https://tinyurl.com/149SSCMtg>.

Major agenda items include: American Samoa bottomfish rebuilding plan discontinuation and setting acceptable biological catch for 2024-2027 (action item); 2024 U.S. Territorial bigeye tuna catch limit and allocation specifications (action item); Main Hawaiian Islands (MHI) Deep 7 bottomfish stock assessment review; Electronic monitoring scenarios in Western Pacific longline fisheries; Proposed national marine sanctuary in the Pacific Remote Island Areas (PRIA) update; Proposed green sea turtle critical habitat designation update; and Addressing climate change in fishery management priorities discussion.

The 196th meeting of the Western Pacific Regional Fishery Management Council will be held Sept. 18 to 20, 2023, at the Ala Moana Hotel, Hibiscus Ballroom, 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, HI. The meeting will be in a hybrid format, with in-person participation available for Council members and the public, or remote participation via Webex: <https://tinyurl.com/196WPCouncilMtg>.

Major agenda items include: 2024 U.S. Territorial bigeye tuna catch limit and allocation specifications (final action item); Fishing regulation options in proposed PRIA national marine sanctuary (action item); Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI) and Guam Marine Conservation Plans review (action item); American Samoa bottomfish rebuilding plan discontinuation and annual catch limit specification for 2024-2027 (action item); MHI Deep 7 bottomfish stock assessment discussion; Proposed green sea turtle critical habitat designation update; Addressing equity and environmental justice in fisheries

management discussion; Council program planning and multi-year priorities; and electronic monitoring options in Western Pacific longline fisheries.

For more information on the Webex connections, and complete agendas and meeting documents, go to www.wpcouncil.org/meetings-calendars.



The Fishers Forum on "What's in the Gut?" will take place from 6 to 9 p.m. Sept. 18, 2023, at the Ala Moana Hotel, Hibiscus Ballroom, 410 Atkinson Drive, Honolulu, HI.

You like to eat 'ahi, mahi and other offshore fish? Ever think about what they eat, and how that helps fishermen to catch more fish? Learn about this and how fishing apps improve record keeping, communication among fishermen and management efforts at this free, family friendly event. 🐟

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