



158th Meeting of the Scientific and Statistical Committee

December 9-11, 2025

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DRAFT AGENDA

Tuesday, December 9, 2025, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. HST

Time	No.	Agenda Item
11:00 AM	1	Introductions
11:10 AM	2	Approval of Draft Agenda and Assignment of Rapporteurs
11:15 AM	3	Status of the 157th SSC Meeting Recommendations
11:20 AM	4	PIFSC Director's Report

5 Program Planning and Research

11:30 AM	5.A	Multi-species Stock Assessment Strategies Process – Phase I Status Update
	5.B	SSC Special Projects Working Group (WG) Reports
12:00 PM	5.B.1	<i>BMUS Multispecies Complex WG next steps</i>
12:15 PM	5.B.2	<i>Protected Species WG Report</i>
12:45 PM	5.B.3	<i>Electronic Monitoring WG Update</i>
1:00 PM	5.B.4	<i>Review of Special Projects List for 2026</i>
<i>BREAK 1:15-1:45 p.m. HST</i>		
	5.C	Monument Actions
1:45PM	5.C.1	<i>Options for removing federal fishing prohibitions in the Marianas Trench, Rose Atoll, and Papahānaumokuākea Marine National Monument (Action Item)</i>
2:15 PM	5.C.2	<i>State of Knowledge of Open Ocean MPAs and Impacts in Western Pacific Region</i>
	5.D	Council IRA Project Updates
3:00 PM	5.D.1	<i>Scenario Planning for the American Samoa Longline Fishery</i>
3:20 PM	5.D.2	<i>Updates on the Protected Species, Regulatory Review, and Community Engagement Projects</i>
3:40 PM	5.E	Public Comment
3:50 PM	5.F	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

Wednesday, December 10, 2025, 11 a.m. – 5 p.m. HST

6 Protected Species

	6.A	False Killer Whales Abundance Estimates Update
11:00 AM	6.A.1	<i>MHI Insular Population Abundance Estimates</i> [no presentation; SSC discussion only]
	6.A.2	[CANCELLED] <i>Pelagic Abundance Estimates based on the 2023 HICEAS Survey</i>
11:30 AM	6.B	DSLL ESA Reconsultation for Oceanic Whitetip Shark and Leatherback Turtles
	6.C	[CANCELLED] Kaneohe Green Sea Turtle Nesting Genetics
11:45 AM	6.D	Public Comment
11:50 AM	6.E	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

7 Pelagic & International Fisheries

12:00 PM	7.A	Electronic Monitoring Updates
12:45 PM	7.B	Outcomes of the Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission 22 nd Regular Session
1:00 PM	7.C	Public Comment
1:05 PM	7.D	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

BREAK 1:15 – 2 p.m. HST

8 Island Fisheries

2:00 PM	8.A	Territorial Coral Reef Life History
	8.B	[CANCELLED] Marine Recreational Information Program
2:30 PM	8.C	Public Comment
2:40 PM	8.D	SSC Discussion and Recommendations

2:45 PM – 5 PM: Reserved for Rapporteur work sessions / SSC Special Projects WG (as needed)

Thursday, December 11, 2025, 11 a.m. – 2 p.m. HST

9 Other Business

9.A	SSC Meeting Schedule and Potential Working Groups
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10 Summary of SSC Recommendations to the Council