



Western
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Council

AGENDA

O'ahu Fishing Community Consultation Meeting

Date: Saturday, November 8, 2025

Time: 2:00 – 4:30 PM

Location: Ala Moana Hotel, Garden Lanai

Recap of April 2025 Consultation

Community Observations Heard:

- *Harbor access and slip availability remain major challenges for small fishers*
- *Rising costs and unclear licensing rules make it difficult to stay commercial*
- *Younger generation disconnected from traditional fishing knowledge*
- *Frustration with management processes that limit local decision-making*
- *Interest in reopening the Northwestern Hawaiian Islands (NWHI) fishery*
- *Shared desire to balance conservation with community food security and culture*

Key Themes Identified:

- Importance of sustaining local seafood and cultural practices
- Equity in fisheries access and management
- Strengthening community participation in decision-making
- Expanding opportunities for next-generation fishers

Agenda

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | PIFG |
| 2. Report and Information on Prior Meeting outcomes | PIFG |
| a. Overview of Oahu Small Boat Fisheries | DAR |
| b. Report on Shark Depredation in pelagic and bottomfish fisheries | DAR |
| c. Status update on cultural take of Green Sea Turtle | Council Staff |
| d. Translating Community Consultations to Action | Community |
| e. Restoring Northwestern Hawaiian Islands Fisheries | |
| Council Staff | |
| 3. Closing comments | PIFG |

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