



**Western
Pacific
Regional
Fishery
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Council**

AGENDA

Maui Fishing Community Consultation Meeting

Date: Thursday, October 30, 2025

Time: 6:00 – 8:30 PM

Location: Maui Beach Hotel, Kahului

Recap of April 2025 Consultation Community Observations Heard:

- *Bottomfish grounds shifting — more rocks, less sand and mud*
- *Increased shark depredation; changing currents and seasons*
- *Loss of fishing access due to closures, regulations, private development*
- *Changing landscape leading to runoff, reef degradation, and decline in limu*
- *Unsafe, overused harbors like Mala ramp; need better infrastructure*
- *Changing fisher identity — from livelihood to social media*
- *Stronger community stewardship and voice in fisheries decisions*
- *Cultural importance of limu and potential turtle management discussions*

This Meeting Will Focus On

- Translating climate change fisher observations, challenges, and issues from round 1 into potential action items, solutions, and future proposals.
- Changes in Maui fisheries from loss of Lahaina Harbor and Mala wharf.
- Community priorities for resilience and local food security

Agenda

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| 1. Welcome and Introductions | PIFG |
| 2. Report and Information on Prior Meeting outcomes | PIFG |
| a. Overview of Maui Nui 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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