

E Staff Tasking
Council Motion - Council Process Changes
June 13, 2022

The Council adopts the following changes to the Council process, as outlined in the discussion paper:

AP/SSC nomination and reappointment process

- Open the call for AP and SSC nominations at the June Council meeting and extend the open period through November 15.
- Augment language in the AP Handbook Section 3.3 to include the following: *AP members are expected to work collaboratively and professionally in a public, high-pressure environment requiring problem solving skills and ability to compromise*
- Provide additional support to new AP members (e.g., 1 - 2 opportunities per year for a Council staff led 'AP 101' training to review the AP Handbook, relevant Federal laws, etc; other training)
- Request input from the SSC on expertise needed for new membership, and identify specific expertise in the SSC call for nominations.
- Request SSC members to help with recruitment.

Agency B Reports

The Council allows written and oral briefings from agencies and partners however, standalone written reports are sufficient when reporting on non-time sensitive or routine administrative information.

Remote Testimony

- It is the Council's intent to provide for remote public testimony at Council meetings.
- On a case-by-case basis, evaluate the tradeoffs of meeting in remote and rural communities that do not have the internet bandwidth to support remote testimony, remote presenters, and remote participation by members. This means there could be in-person Council meetings in smaller communities where remote participation is not possible.

Harvest Specifications and Council Meetings

The Council proposes to convene a meeting with Council members and AP/SSC leadership ahead of October meeting to:

- Discuss timing of crab and groundfish harvest specifications in light of fishery needs and stock prioritization.
- Evaluate potential changes to the annual meeting schedule for the Council, including reducing the number of annual Council meetings from 5 to 4, and dropping the February meeting, as well as consider circumstances where virtual meetings are appropriate. Workload and need for Council priority setting are important considerations in this discussion.