

NPFMC Joint Groundfish Plan Team Meeting Draft Agenda**AFSC, Seattle**

January 21, 2026, 9am-5pm Pacific time

All times in PST

	Joint Groundfish Plan Teams Room: TBD AFSC Seattle
Wed Jan 21st	0900 Introductions, adoption of agenda, review deadlines for JGFPT report, meetings for 2026 dates 0915 Overview of December 2025 Specifications process (Stram, Cleaver) 1000 GOA Pacific cod assessment review: GOA ESR, Pacific cod ESP & assessment; review and recommend OFL and ABC for 2026/2027 (Ferriss, Shotwell, Hulson) 1045 Break 1100 GOA Pacific cod assessment review (cont): GOA ESR, Pacific cod ESP & assessment; review and recommend OFL and ABC for 2026/2027 (Ferriss, Shotwell, Hulson) 1230 Lunch 1330 HCRs: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Review and make recommendations on workshop goals and objectives and draft frameworks for when to implement Climate enhanced HCRs, ● Update on current HCRs under development and simulation plans for Spring 2026; ● Plan for SSC review (Feb) and Council agenda item (June) (Stram/Holsman) 1700 Adjourn

NOTE: The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary. All meetings are open to the public. **Bold** indicates stocks or stock complexes for which a full operational assessment is expected this year. *denotes harvest projection. See [here](#) for a description of stock assessment product definitions.

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

ABC	Acceptable Biological Catch	IRFA	Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
AI	Aleutian Islands	LLP	License Limitation Program
AP	Advisory Panel	MSE	Management Strategy Evaluation
ADFG	Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game	MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act
AVO	Acoustic Vessel-of-Opportunity	MRA	Maximum Retainable Amount
BS	Bering Sea	MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
BSAI	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	mt, t	Metric tons
BTS	Bottom trawl survey	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
CDQ	Community Development Quota	NOAA	National Oceanic & Atmospheric Adm.
CIE	Center for Independent Experts	NPFMC	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
DSEM	Dynamic Structural Equation Modeling		
EA/RIR	Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review	OY	Optimum Yield
EBS	Eastern Bering Sea	PEEC	Preview of Economic and Ecosystem Considerations
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone	PSC	Prohibited Species Catch
EFH	Essential Fish Habitat	SAFE	Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
EFP	Exempted Fishing Permit	SSC	Scientific and Statistical Committee
ESA	Endangered Species Act	SSL	Steller Sea Lion
ESP	Ecosystem and Socioeconomic Profile	TAC	Total Allowable Catch
ESR	Ecosystem Status Report	USFWS	United States Fish & Wildlife Service
FEP	Fishery Ecosystem Plan	SAFE	Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
FMP	Fishery Management Plan	SSC	Scientific and Statistical Committee
GHL	Guideline Harvest Level	SSL	Steller Sea Lion
GOA	Gulf of Alaska	TAC	Total Allowable Catch
HAPC	Habitat Areas of Particular Concern		
HCR	Harvest Control Rule		
IFQ	Individual Fishing Quota		
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission		