

SSC ADMIN ISSUES

ANNA HENRY, OCTOBER 2026



1. Meeting protocols
2. Highlights from B reports, other Council agenda items
3. Future meetings
4. Events this week/ Misc



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR NPFMC MEETINGS

Participants in the Council process are expected to participate in a manner that is professional and respectful of Council members, staff, advisors, committee members, and the public. Harassment will not be tolerated. All Council participants are responsible for holding each other accountable to the following ground rules:

- Treat everyone with respect.
- Listen and seek to understand differing views or opinions.
- Represent information honestly and openly.
- Refrain from using offensive, disrespectful, or derogatory language.
- Personal or organizational attacks or insults will not be tolerated.

Reports of inappropriate behavior will be taken seriously and followed through to resolution per the Council's [Statement of Organization, Practices, and Procedures](#), which also includes the NPFMC policy on addressing allegations of harassment.



PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, TEXT ALERTS

- Testimony by topic, under each agenda item
- 5 min onscreen timer for oral testimony

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C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS

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[Council Sign-up \(0\)](#)
Attachments:

C2 [Comment Now](#) [Direct Link](#)
[AP Sign-up \(0\)](#)
Attachments:

GOA Pacific Cod Harvest Specifications - assessment, recommend OFL/ABC/TAC (Council only)
C1 GOA 2025 Ecosystem Status Report -Uploaded: 01/23/2026 10:50 AM AKST by mdavis
C1 GOA Pcod Assessment -Uploaded: 01/23/2026 05:00 PM AKST by mdavis
C1 GOA Pcod Appendix 2.1, also linked in document (LINK) -Uploaded: 01/23/2026 05:00 PM AKST by mdavis
C1 GOA Pcod ESP Report Card 2026 -Uploaded: 01/25/2026 10:36 AM AKST by mdavis
January 2026 Joint Groundfish Plan Team (LINK) -Uploaded: 01/23/2026 10:50 AM AKST by mdavis
C1 and J

**Meeting is
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Agenda Item

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Agenda Item bar: A2 - Announcements

Sign-up Group: Council

Name:

Testimony Type:
☒ Individual, individual representing a company, or representative of an individual company (3 min.)
☐ Organization commenting on behalf of an organization, tribe, or association (6 min.)
Only one "Organization" testimony is permitted per organization. Additional speakers from the same organization must register as Individuals.

Organization Name:

Email Address:

Phone:

Waive Questions: ☐

Presentation Location:
☒ In Person ☐ Remote

Attachments: No file chosen
Individuals and companies will get 3 minutes in the AP and Council, and Organizations and Associations will get 6, at the discretion of the chair and schedule.

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HIGHLIGHTS FROM B REPORTS

more info on Council [eAgenda](#)

B1 Executive Director's Report

- New Council members
 - Two new appointed Council members: Forrest Bowers and Chad See
- Plan team nominations for SSC review
 - 2 BSAI Groundfish, 1 GOA Groundfish, 1 BSAI Crab
- Prioritization discussion framework
 - Ongoing staff efforts to address Council efficiency and planning- available SSC review time



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B2 NMFS Management Report

- Herring Biomass estimation
- Bled Sablefish Product Recovery Rate (PRR) Implementation Considerations
- Staffing updates include reassignments, new hires, and departures
 - Since mid-August, 2026, Dr. Jamal Moss, Deputy Regional Administrator, has been performing the duties of Alaska Fisheries Science Center Director.

B4 AFSC Report

- Oral presentation to the Council



OCTOBER 2026 MEETING

SSC meeting topics

- C2 BSAI Crab specifications
- C3 Groundfish harvest specifications

Council agenda items that may be of interest to SSC

- C1 Observer 2027 Annual Deployment Plan, including CIE review of ADP
 - *Meeting materials available on [Council eAgenda](#)*



FUTURE MEETINGS

- **December 2026** – Nov 30-Dec 9, Egan Center, Anchorage, AK
 - 4 Day SSC meeting in December (Council portion will start Friday, extend a day)
 - SSC agenda items- final groundfish specs, NSRKC specs
 - Council only agenda item for Cook Inlet Salmon Proposed Specs. Final specs (including SSC review) in February
 - MSA 50th anniversary reception on December 3rd at the Anchorage Museum
 - Arctic Marine Science: *Sikuliaq* to Shore
- **February 2027** – Feb 22-Mar 2, Marriott Hotel, Anchorage, AK
 - SSC schedule is currently overscheduled, will finalize after October Council prioritization discussion
- **Scientific Coordination Subcommittee** – SCS 9– November 2027



EVENT THIS WEEK / MISCELLANEOUS

- **Call for Nominations Open Through October 31**
 - The Council is interested in appointing **up to two** additional SSC members prioritizing candidates with the following expertise: (1) Stock assessment, statistical design, and the use of modern statistical modelling methods; (2) Either: a) a social scientist with a background in anthropology, sociology, human geography, or a related field; or b) an expert with experience in climate, ecosystem and integrated thinking.
- **Introduction to Specifications Process:** Wednesday, October 7th, Council staff will host a public evening session on the harvest specifications process
- Chair/Members
 - Members will acknowledge any direct associations with SSC agenda items and/or financial conflicts of interest.
- Chair/Vice Chair – SSC report
 - Discuss deadlines for SSC report development

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