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**MEMORANDUM FOR:** Council Members  
North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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**SUBJECT:** Recusal Determinations for the June 2024 Council Meeting

NOAA General Counsel, Alaska Section has reviewed the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's draft June 2024 agenda for recusal issues.

Under 50 C.F.R. § 600.225(b)(9)(ii), none of the agenda items for the June 2024 meeting constitutes a "particular matter primarily of individual concern," and none of the Council members is recused from participating on any agenda item under that regulation.

Under 50 C.F.R. § 600.235, the following agenda items do not constitute a "Council decision" as that term is defined at 50 C.F.R. § 600.235(a); therefore, a recusal determination is not required for them:

- C1 Observer Annual Report for 2023 – Review, FMAC Report; and
- C2 BSAI Crab Harvest Specifications – AIGKC SAFE Report and ABC/OFL, Plan Team Report.

According to the regulations at 50 C.F.R. § 600.235(g), any Council member may file a written request to NOAA General Counsel for a review of this determination. Requests for review should be e-mailed to Kristen Gustafson, Deputy General Counsel, NOAA Office of the General Counsel at [Kristen.L.Gustafson@noaa.gov](mailto:Kristen.L.Gustafson@noaa.gov). A request for review must be received by Ms. Gustafson by June 3, 2024. Please see the regulations at 50 C.F.R. § 600.235(g) for more information on requests for review.

