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# North Pacific Fisheries Commission 7<sup>th</sup> Scientific Committee Meeting 16-20 December 2022 WebEx

# **Provisional Agenda**

Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda Item 3. Meeting arrangements

Agenda Item 4. NPFC Performance Review recommendations for the Scientific Committee

Agenda Item 5. Review of reports and recommendations from the Small Scientific Committees (SSC BF-ME and SSC PS) and the Technical Working Group on Chub Mackerel Stock Assessment (TWG CMSA)

- 5.1 Technical Working Group on Chub Mackerel Stock Assessment
- 5.2 SSC on Bottom Fish and Marine Ecosystems
- 5.3 SSC on Pacific Saury
  - 5.3.1 Selection of vice-chair of SSC PS

Agenda Item 6. Report and recommendations from the Joint SC-TCC-COM Small Working Group on Management Strategy Evaluation for Pacific Saury (SWG MSE PS)

Agenda Item 7. Priority species

- 7.1 Summary of progress on the remaining four priority species
  - 7.1.1 Neon flying squid
  - 7.1.2 Japanese sardine
  - 7.1.3 Japanese flying squid
  - 7.1.4 Blue mackerel
- 7.2 Identification of data needs and data gaps and strategies to fill those gaps
  - 7.2.1 Spatial data summarized by year and 1 x 1 degree resolution
- 7.3 Stock assessment of NFS, JS, JFS, and BM

- 7.3.1 Top-down prioritization
- 7.3.2 Capacity
- 7.3.3 Funding availability

## Agenda Item 8. Progress in data collection, management and security

- 8.1 Information management and security regulations
  - 8.1.1 Procedures for sharing code
- 8.2 Data collection
  - 8.2.1 Information about species belonging to same ecosystem or dependent/associated with target stocks
  - 8.2.2 Data gaps and needs that could be filled by an observer program
  - 8.2.3 Scientific needs for electronic monitoring
- 8.3 NPFC data management system (DMS)

## Agenda Item 9. Scientific projects for 2023 and 2024

- 9.1 Ongoing/planned projects
- 9.2 New projects
- 9.3 Review and prioritization of projects

### Agenda Item 10. Cooperation with other organizations

- 10.1 Reports on the joint NPFC-PICES activities since the SC06 meeting, including a report from the PICES Secretariat
- 10.2 Update on the joint NPFC-PICES workshop/course on VME indicator identification
- 10.3 SC representation at scientific meetings
  - 10.3.1 Report on joint PICES-ICES-FAO small pelagic fish (SPF) symposium
  - 10.3.2 SC representation in joint PICES/ICES Working Group on Small Pelagic Fish (WGSPF)
  - 10.3.3 Report on PICES topic session on SPF
  - 10.3.4 Process for selecting SC representatives at future scientific meetings
- 10.4 NPFC/NPAFC Memorandum of Cooperation and Work Plan
  - 10.4.1 Report on the NPAFC's multinational IYS survey in the North Pacific Ocean
- 10.5 FAO ABNJ Deep-sea fisheries project
- 10.6 Partnership with the Fisheries and Resources Monitoring System of FAO (FIRMS)
- 10.7 Cooperation with other organizations

### Agenda Item 11. 2022-2026 Research Plan and Work Plan

- 11.1 Five-year Research Plan
- 11.2 Five-year Work Plan

# Agenda Item 12. Other matters

- 12.1 Review of the Scientific Committee Terms of Reference (TOR)
- 12.2 Coordination between SC and TCC
  - 12.2.1 Fishing effort indicators
- 12.3 Other issues

Agenda Item 13. Advice and recommendations to the Commission

Agenda Item 14. Next meeting

Agenda Item 15. Press release

Agenda Item 16. Adoption of the Report

Agenda Item 17. Close of the Meeting