

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar and is open to the public. Webinar registration information and additional meeting details are available from the Council's website at: <https://safmc.net/events/may-2025-citizen-science-operations-ap-meeting/>. There will be an opportunity for public comment at the beginning of the meeting.

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Citizen Science Operations AP serves as advisors to the Council's Citizen Science Program. Advisory panel members include representatives from the Council's Citizen Science Advisory Panel Pool, NOAA Fisheries' Southeast Regional Office, NOAA Fisheries' Southeast Fisheries Science Center, and the Council's Science and Statistical Committee. Their responsibilities include developing programmatic recommendations, reviewing policies, providing program direction/multi-partner support, identifying citizen science research needs, and providing general advice.

Agenda items for this meeting include: a Citizen Science Program and Project update; discussion on ways to measure and communicate Program impact; discussion of Program organizational structure; and other business.

### Special Accommodations

The meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for auxiliary aids should be directed to the Council office (see **ADDRESSES**) 5 days prior to the meeting.

**Note:** The times and sequence specified in this agenda are subject to change.

*Authority:* 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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**Rey Israel Marquez,**

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meetings

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** The Western Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) will hold meetings of its Archipelagic Plan Team (APT) and Pelagic Plan Team (PPT) to discuss fishery management issues and develop recommendations for future management of fisheries in the Western Pacific Region.

**DATES:** The APT will meet on Monday and Tuesday, May 5–6, 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST). The APT will meet jointly with the PPT on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 5 p.m. HST. The PPT will meet on Thursday and Friday, May 8–9 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. HST. For specific times and agendas, see **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held in a hybrid format with in-person and remote participation (Webex) options available for the members, and public attendance limited to web conference via Webex. In-person attendance for members will be hosted at the Council office, 1164 Bishop Street, Suite 1400, Honolulu, HI 96813. Specific information on joining the meeting, connecting to the web conference and making oral public comments will be posted on the Council website at [www.wpcouncil.org](http://www.wpcouncil.org). For assistance with the web conference connection, contact the Council office at (808) 522-8220.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Kitty M. Simonds, Executive Director, Western Pacific Fishery Management Council; phone: (808) 522-8220 (voice) or (808) 522-8226 (fax).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The APT meeting will be held Monday and Tuesday, May 5–6, 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. Hawaii Standard Time (HST) (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 6–7, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST)). The APT will meet jointly with the PPT on Wednesday, May 7, 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 5:00 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on May 8, 2025,

Chamorro Standard Time (ChST)). The PPT will meet on Thursday and Friday, May 8–9, 2025, between 8:30 a.m. and 4 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 9–10, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST)). Opportunities to present oral public comment will be provided on the agenda. The order of the agenda may change, and will be announced in advance at the meeting. The meeting may run past the scheduled times noted above to complete scheduled business.

### Agenda for the Archipelagic Plan Team Meeting

*Monday, May 5, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 6, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST))*

1. Welcome and APT Introductions
2. Approval of Draft APT Agenda
3. Report on Previous APT Recommendations
4. 2024 Archipelagic Annual Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) Reports
  - A. Fishery Performance
    - i. Archipelagic Fishery Performance Modules
      - a. American Samoa
      - b. Guam
      - c. Commonwealth of the Northern Mariana Islands (CNMI)
      - d. Hawaii
    - B. Ecosystem and Climate Considerations
      - i. Protected Species
      - ii. Life History and Length-Derived Variables
      - iii. Biomass Estimates for Coral Reef Ecosystem Components
    - C. Administrative Reports
      - i. Federal Permit and Logbook Data
      - ii. Regulatory Actions
      - iii. Discussions
    - D. Open Discussion: Archipelagic SAFE Report Matters
      - i. Impacts of Weather and Military Activity on Fishery Performance
      - ii. American Samoa Fish Aggregating Device Program Data
      - iii. Other Items
  5. APT Review: Working Group Progress and Action Item Progress
    - A. Territorial Non-Commercial Modules
    - B. Hawaii Non-Commercial Modules
  6. Public Comment

*Tuesday, May 6, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 7, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST))*

7. Ecosystem Component Species (ECS) Discussion

- A. Conservation and management of ECS: cases from other regions
- B. General Counsel Pacific Islands Perspective
- C. Developing a management framework for ECS
- D. Direction for ECS Working Group
- E. Open Discussion on ECS
- 8. Nature of the Marine Recreational Information Program Surveys
- 9. Council Actions
  - A. Main Hawaiian Islands Uku 2026–2029 Annual Catch Limit Specification
  - B. CNMI Bottomfish Western Pacific Stock Assessment Review Update
- 9. Improving Data Collection for the Next Benchmark Assessments
- 10. Public Comment
- 11. Discussion and Archipelagic Plan Team Recommendations

#### Agenda for the Joint Archipelagic and Pelagic Plan Teams Meeting

*Wednesday, May 7, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 1 p.m. on May 8, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST))*

- 1. PPT Welcome and Introductions
- 2. Approval of PPT Draft Agenda
- 3. 2024 Archipelagic and Pelagic Annual SAFE Reports
  - A. Fisher Observations
    - i. American Samoa
    - ii. CNMI
    - iii. Guam
    - iv. Hawaii
  - B. Ecosystem Considerations and Indicator Development
    - i. Oceanic and Climate Variables
      - a. Archipelagic Dashboard Update
      - b. Developing New Recruitment Indices
      - c. New Indicator for Guam
    - ii. Socioeconomics
    - iii. Essential Fish Habitat
    - iv. Marine Planning
- 4. SAFE Reports Revamp
  - A. Suggestions for Future Improvements of Online Portals
  - B. Areas for Revision Stemming from 2024 Updates
- 5. Data Integration/Fishery Ecosystem Relationships
  - A. Establishing Links Between the Environment and Fishery Performance
  - B. Next Steps
- 6. Program Planning
  - A. IRA Project Updates
  - B. Update on Small-Boat Fisheries
- 8. Other Issues
- 9. Public Comment
- 10. Discussion and Joint Plan Team Recommendations
- 11. Other Business and APT Closing

#### Agenda for the Pelagic Plan Team Meeting

*Thursday, May 8, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 9, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST))*

- 1. Report on Previous PPT Recommendations
  - 2. 2024 Pelagic Annual SAFE Reports
    - A. Fishery Data Modules
      - i. American Samoa
      - ii. CNMI
      - iii. Guam
      - iv. Hawaii
      - v. International
    - B. Ecosystem Considerations Modules
      - i. Protected Species
    - C. Administrative Reports
      - i. Regulatory Action
  - 3. PPT Review: Working Group and Action Item Progress
    - A. Shallow-set Longline Leatherback Sea Turtle Hardcap Review
    - B. Life History Module Development
    - C. Bigeye Tuna Catch Per Unit Effort Working Group
  - 4. Discussion: Pelagic SAFE Report Matters
  - 5. Public Comment
- Friday, May 9, 2025, 8:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. HST (7:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Samoa Standard Time (SST); 4:30 a.m. to 12 p.m. on May 10, 2025, Chamorro Standard Time (ChST))*
- 6. Crew Training in Hawaii and American Samoa Longline Fisheries
  - 7. Electronic Monitoring (EM) in Hawaii and American Samoa Longline Fisheries
    - A. Overview of Council Action
    - B. Social and Economic Impacts of EM
    - C. EM Sampling and Data Review
    - D. Council Action Alternatives
  - 8. Potential ECS Management under Pelagic FEP
  - 9. International Fisheries Updates
    - A. South Pacific Albacore Management Procedure
  - 10. Public Comment
  - 11. Discussion and Pelagic Plan Team Recommendations
  - 12. Other Business and PPT Closing

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#### DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

#### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Fisheries of the Gulf of America; Southeast Data, Assessment, and Review (SEDAR); Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of SEDAR 100 Data Scoping Webinar for Gulf Gray Triggerfish.

**SUMMARY:** The SEDAR 100 assessment process of Gulf gray triggerfish will consist of a Data Workshop, and a series of assessment webinars, and a Review Workshop. See **SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION**.

**DATES:** The SEDAR 100 Data Scoping Webinar will be held Monday, May 12, 2025, from 1 p.m. until 3 p.m., Eastern Time.

**ADDRESSES:** The meeting will be held via webinar. The webinar is open to members of the public. Those interested in participating should contact Julie A. Neer at SEDAR (see **FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT**) to request an invitation providing webinar access information. Please request webinar invitations at least 24 hours in advance of each webinar.

*SEDAR address:* 4055 Faber Place Drive, Suite 201, North Charleston, SC 29405.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Julie A. Neer, SEDAR Coordinator; phone: (843) 571–4366; email: [Julie.neer@safmc.net](mailto:Julie.neer@safmc.net).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The Gulf, South Atlantic, and Caribbean Fishery Management Councils, in conjunction with the National Marine Fisheries Service and the Atlantic and Gulf States Marine Fisheries Commissions have implemented the Southeast Data, Assessment and Review (SEDAR) process, a multi-step method for determining the status of fish stocks in the Southeast Region. SEDAR is a multi-step process including: (1) Data Workshop, (2) a series of assessment webinars, and (3) A Review Workshop. The product of the Data Workshop is a