

conjunction with temperature depth data can be used to validate oceanographic and habitat models to produce oceanographic and species density forecasts for fishers. These species-specific density forecast can be used as a tool while fishing to maximize efficiency and avoid limited stocks.

By collecting these data, we are improving the data available to support improved understanding of population, ecosystem, and fishery dynamics in the northeast region. These improved understandings help the Northeast Fisheries Science Center inform management so they can meet the standards laid out in the Magnuson Stevens Act. Without working with the fishing industry to collect these data, we are severely restricting our access to the best available data to support needed research that informs management decisions.

## II. Method of Collection

There will be an onboarding paper registration process consisting of filling out and signing a resume document, data waiver, and non-disclosure agreement that can be mailed or faxed to the Northeast Fisheries Science Center (NEFSC) Cooperative Research Branch.

Fishery dependent data outside of temperature depth data will be collected electronically on a dedicated laptop using the NEFSC Fisheries Logbook Data Reporting Software (FLDRS). The data collected is encrypted and is either wirelessly transmitted via Vessel Electronic Reporting Web Portal or VMS to the NEFSC or manually collected routinely by Cooperative Research Staff.

Temperature and Depth (TD) data is collected opportunistically and dependent on fisher interest. The TD data is routinely retrieved from the vessel manually by Cooperative Research Branch staff.

Data can be viewed, uploaded, downloaded, and edited by the vessel owner and vessel owner approved representatives on a secure web-based application called the Vessel Electronic Reporting Web Portal (VERS).

## III. Data

*OMB Control Number:* 0648–0803.

*Form Number(s):* None.

*Type of Review:* Extension of a current information collection.

*Affected Public:* Business or other for-profit organizations.

*Estimated Number of Respondents:* 15.

*Estimated Time per Response:* 50 minutes per day for vessels collecting trip level data.

*Estimated Total Annual Burden Hours:* 1,752.

*Estimated Total Annual Cost to Public:* \$800 equipment.

*Respondent's Obligation:* Voluntary.

*Legal Authority:* Collection of information regarding commercial fisheries is necessary to fulfill the following statutory requirements: the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act (16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*).

## IV. Request for Comments

We are soliciting public comments to permit the Department/Bureau to: (a) Evaluate whether the proposed information collection is necessary for the proper functions of the Department, including whether the information will have practical utility; (b) Evaluate the accuracy of our estimate of the time and cost burden for this proposed collection, including the validity of the methodology and assumptions used; (c) Evaluate ways to enhance the quality, utility, and clarity of the information to be collected; and (d) Minimize the reporting burden on those who are to respond, including the use of automated collection techniques or other forms of information technology.

Comments that you submit in response to this notice are a matter of public record. We will include or summarize each comment in our request to OMB to approve this information collection request. Before including your address, phone number, email address, or other personal identifying information in your comment, you should be aware that your entire comment—including your personal identifying information—may be made publicly available at any time. While you may ask us in your comment to withhold your personal identifying information from public review, we cannot guarantee that we will be able to do so.

**Sheleen Dumas,**

*Departmental PRA Compliance Officer, Office of the Under Secretary for Economic Affairs, Commerce Department.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Meeting

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and

Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Commerce.

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) will convene three Stock Assessment Review (STAR) Panel meetings to review 2025 stock assessments for yellowtail rockfish in the area North of 40°10' N, latitude, chilipepper rockfish, quillback rockfish off California, rougheye/blackspotted rockfish, and sablefish. The meetings will be co-hosted by the NMFS Northwest and Southwest Fisheries Science Centers. STAR panel meetings are open to the public and being conducted in person with a web broadcast that provides the opportunity for remote listening and public comment.

**DATES:** The STAR panel meeting (STAR Panel 1) to review a new assessment for yellowtail rockfish in the area North of 40°10' N, latitude will be held Monday, May 19, 2025, from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m. (Pacific Time), and will continue from May 20 through May 23, 2025, from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m., each day, or until business for each day has been completed.

The STAR panel meeting (STAR Panel 2) to review new assessments for chilipepper rockfish and quillback rockfish off California will be held Monday, June 23, 2025 and will continue through Friday, June 27, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. (Pacific Time), each day, or until business for the day has been completed.

The STAR panel meeting (STAR Panel 3) to review new assessments for rougheye/blackspotted rockfish and sablefish will be held Monday, July 14, 2025 and will continue through Friday, July 18, 2025, from 8:30 a.m. until 5 p.m. (Pacific Time) or until business for the day has been completed.

**ADDRESSES:** The STAR panel for yellowtail rockfish in the area North of 40°10' N, latitude (STAR Panel 1), will be held at the Watertown Hotel, 4242 Roosevelt Way NE, Seattle, WA 98105; telephone: (206) 826–4242.

The STAR panel for chilipepper rockfish and quillback rockfish off California (STAR Panel 2) will be held at the National Marine Fisheries Service, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, Santa Cruz Laboratory, 110 McAllister Way, Santa Cruz, CA 95060; telephone: (831) 420–3900.

The STAR panel for rougheye/blackspotted rockfish and sablefish (STAR Panel 3), will be held at the University of Washington, School of Aquatic and Fishery Sciences (SAFS) Room 203, 1122 NE Boat Street, Seattle, WA 98195; telephone: (206) 543–4270.

These meetings are being conducted in person with a web broadcast that provides the opportunity for remote public comment. Specific meeting information, materials, visitor protocols, and instructions for how to connect to the meeting remotely will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see [www.pcouncil.org](http://www.pcouncil.org)). In the event an outage occurs, or technical issues arise that impact the experience of remote attendees, we will attempt to resolve them but ultimately, we cannot guarantee that they will be resolved satisfactorily.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Owen Hamel, NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center, telephone: (206) 860-3481, email: [owen.hamel@noaa.gov](mailto:owen.hamel@noaa.gov); Dr. John Field, NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center, telephone: (831) 420-3907, email: [john.field@noaa.gov](mailto:john.field@noaa.gov); or Marlene A. Bellman, Staff Officer, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2414, email: [marlene.bellman@pcouncil.org](mailto:marlene.bellman@pcouncil.org).

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The purpose of the STAR Panels is to review draft 2025 stock assessment models, documents, and any other pertinent information for yellowtail rockfish in the area North of 40°10' N, latitude, chilipepper rockfish, quillback rockfish off California, rougheye/blackspotted rockfish, and sablefish; work with the Stock Assessment Teams to make necessary revisions; and produce STAR Panel reports for use by the Pacific Council and other interested persons for developing management recommendations for fisheries in 2027 and beyond. The review panels will consist of members of the Pacific Council's Scientific and Statistical Committee's Groundfish Subcommittee, at least one independent expert from the Center for Independent Experts, and other invited expert reviewers. Representatives of the Pacific Council's Groundfish Management Team and the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel will also participate in the review as advisers.

No management actions will be decided by the STAR Panels. The STAR Panel participants' role will be the development of recommendations and reports for consideration by the Pacific Council at its September 2025 meeting in Spokane, WA.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agendas may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these

meetings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

Visitors to the NMFS Southwest Fisheries Science Center will need to obtain a visitor badge. Visitor protocols will be provided in the meeting announcement on the Pacific Council's website (see [www.pcouncil.org](http://www.pcouncil.org)).

#### Special Accommodations

These meetings are physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for sign language interpretation or other auxiliary aids should be directed to Mr. Kris Kleinschmidt ([kris.kleinschmidt@pcouncil.org](mailto:kris.kleinschmidt@pcouncil.org); (503) 820-2412 at least 10 days prior to the meeting date.

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

Dated: March 13, 2025.

#### Rey Israel Marquez,

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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#### Pacific Fishery Management Council; Public Hearings

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

**ACTION:** Notice of public meeting, hearings, and public comment opportunities.

**SUMMARY:** The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Pacific Council) will convene two public hearings regarding the trawl catch share program review.

**DATES:** The hearings will be held on Thursday, April 24, 2025, from 1 p.m. to 4 p.m., Pacific Time (PT) and Monday, April 28, 2025, from 5:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m., PT. Hearing times are an estimate, hearings will end when business for the day has been completed.

**ADDRESSES:** The first hearing on April 24, 2025, will be held online. The second hearing on April 28, 2025, will

be held in Astoria, OR. Meeting location and specifics will be posted on the Pacific Council's website ([www.pcouncil.org](http://www.pcouncil.org)) when available.

*Council address:* Pacific Fishery Management Council, 7700 NE Ambassador Place, Suite 101, Portland, OR 97220-1384.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Jessi Waller, Pacific Council; telephone: (503) 820-2415.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** Periodic reviews of catch shares program are required by the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act. The Pacific Council initiated its second review of the trawl catch share program in 2022 and is scheduled to receive a preliminary draft of the review document in September 2025. The two hearings will provide a general briefing on the state of the catch share program since the last review completed in 2017 and provide an opportunity for stakeholder feedback on how the program is performing.

Although non-emergency issues not contained in the meeting agenda may be discussed, those issues may not be the subject of formal action during these hearings. Action will be restricted to those issues specifically listed in this document and any issues arising after publication of this document that require emergency action under section 305(c) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act, provided the public has been notified of the intent to take final action to address the emergency.

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

Dated: March 13, 2025.

#### Rey Israel Marquez,

*Acting Deputy Director, Office of Sustainable Fisheries, National Marine Fisheries Service.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

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

**AGENCY:** National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS), National Oceanic and