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**North Pacific Fisheries Commission
6th Meeting of the Small Scientific Committee on Pacific Saury
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Provisional Agenda

Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting

Agenda Item 2. Adoption of Agenda

Agenda Item 3. Overview of the outcomes of previous NPFC meetings

- 3.1 SSC PS05 meeting
- 3.2 SSC PSint01 virtual meeting
- 3.3 COM05 meeting and CMM 2019-08

Agenda Item 4. Review of the Terms of References of the SSC PS and existing protocols

- 4.1 Terms of References of the SSC PS
- 4.2 CPUE Standardization Protocol
- 4.3 Stock Assessment Protocol

Agenda Item 5. Member's fishery status including 2020 fishery

Agenda Item 6. Fishery-independent abundance indices

- 6.1 Review of results of abundance estimation based on 2020 Japanese biomass survey
- 6.2 Review of plans of future biomass surveys
- 6.3 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 7. Fishery-dependent abundance indices

- 7.1 Review of any updates and progress
- 7.2 Review of progress on collaborative work for development of joint CPUE
- 7.3 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 8. Stock assessment using "provisional base models" (BSSPM)

- 8.1 Review and update of the existing specification
- 8.2 Review of BSSPM results
- 8.3 Implications to management
- 8.4 Development of recommendations to the Commission to improve conservation and management
- 8.5 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 9. Biological information on Pacific saury

- 9.1 Review of any updates and progress
- 9.2 Distribution and migration patterns of juvenile Pacific saury
- 9.3 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 10. Exploration of stock assessment models other than existing “provisional base models”

10.1 Review of proposals for developing new stock assessment models

10.2 Invention and refinement of data

10.3 Finalization of initial data set and assumptions for initial trials of conditioning of new stock assessment models

10.4 Discussion on simulation setting

10.5 Data sharing protocol for age/size/stage-structured models

10.6 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 11. Toward setting of biological reference points (RPs) and development of Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE)

11.1 Review of RPs report

11.2 Investigation of reasonable actions

11.3 Discussion on MSE

11.4 Recommendations for future work

Agenda Item 12. Review of the Work Plan of the SSC PS

Agenda Item 13. Other matters

13.1 Draft agenda and priority issues for next meeting

13.2 Dates of SSC PS meetings in 2021

13.3 Invited experts

13.4 Other

Agenda Item 14. Recommendations to the Scientific Committee

Agenda Item 15. Adoption of Report

Agenda Item 16. Close of the Meeting