



NOAA FISHERIES

West Coast
Region

Marine Mammal Protection Act §120(f) Pinniped - Fishery Interaction Task Force to Convene

**Virtual-only Meeting - May 28, 2025
10:00 am - 1:00 pm, Pacific Time**

For more information
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Mammal Protection
Act Section 120
Program, visit
[www.fisheries.
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NOAA Fisheries announces that it is convening a Pinniped-Fishery Interaction Task Force (Task Force) to provide NOAA Fisheries with a recommendation to either approve or deny the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, the Idaho Department of Fish and Game; the Nez Perce Tribe, the Confederated Tribes of the Umatilla Indian Reservation, the Confederated Tribes of the Warm Springs Reservation of Oregon, the Confederated Tribes and Bands of the Yakama Nation; and the Willamette Committee's August 21, 2024, application, pursuant to §120(f) of the Marine Mammal Protection Act, requesting to renew their August 14, 2020, permit for a period of 5 years to intentionally take, by lethal methods, California sea lions and Steller sea lions that are located in the main stem of the Columbia River between river mile 112 (I-205 Bridge) and river mile 292 (McNary Dam), or in any tributary to the Columbia River that includes spawning habitat of threatened or endangered salmon or steelhead.

NOAA Fisheries will post the agenda with call-in number and web access information prior to the meeting at:

[www.fisheries.noaa.gov/
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Members of the public may participate in the meeting. A specific time slot will be provided on the agenda for the public to provide comments or information for the Task Force to consider.

Please RSVP Robert
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public input at the meeting.