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Southern Gulf of California Thread Herring

Nominations for Peer Reviewers of MSC Assessment Report

In partial fulfillment of the MSC requirements for fishery evaluations, SCS Global Services, Inc. (SCS) is posting the names of potential peer reviewers for the MSC assessment report pertaining to the assessment of the Baja California Red Rock Lobster

Dr. Alvaro Hernandez Flores
Dr. Richard Parrish

Comments on potential peer reviewers will be taken through 1700 GMT Thursday, June 16, 2016

The peer review process will then commence and will be followed by posting of a draft report for public review and comment for 30 days. Following the period for public review and comment, a final report will be posted on the MSC website www.msc.org for all interested parties to review.

All comments should be directed to:
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Full CVs are available on the fishery re-assessment downloads page. Short biographical paragraphs of the peer reviewers may be found below:

Dr. Richard Parrish, Independent Consultant

Dr. Parrish holds M.Sc. and Ph.D degrees from Oregon State University and has worked for Victoria Fisheries and Wildlife Department (Melbourne), at the California Department of Fish and Game (in pelagic fisheries and then as Chief of the groundfish program) and then held a position as a fisheries biologist with the Pacific Environmental Group (NMFS) in Monterey California (now the Environmental Division of the Southwest Fisheries Center). Between government roles, Dr. Parrish worked as a Research Manager for Del Monte Food's in the Sultanate of Oman, conducting fishery and fishery independent research using a wide variety of fishing gear (gillnets, bottom trawls, mid-water trawls, benthic longlines, fyke nets and seine nets,) and fisheries science methods (e.g. hydro-acoustic surveys, tagging and port sampling programs and otolith reading). From 1974-1997, Dr. Parrish researched the relationships between physical oceanographic factors and fisheries. This work focused on coastal pelagics in eastern boundary currents with extensive working trips to all four eastern boundary currents, as well as the Kuroshio and Brazil Currents. He has significant background in how the North Pacific works, how climatic variation is likely to affect major fish stocks and in fishery modeling. From 1997-present, Dr. Parrish's work shifted from fisheries oceanography to fisheries management. He was a member of the original Coastal Pelagics FMP Team and developed the present control rule for Pacific sardine. He has also worked on groundfish, marine reserves, and was on the original Science Team for the development of Marine Protected Areas in California. Following retirement in 2006, Dr. Parrish has worked as a fishery consultant focusing on fisheries for coastal pelagic species, marine protected areas, modeling California lobster and trawl fisheries for groundfishes.

Dr. Alvaro Hernandez, Professor and Researcher

Alvaro Hernandez studies traditional fisheries, climate impacts to fisheries, and ecosystem modelling. Dr. Hernandez holds M.Sc. from the National Polytechnic Institute, Mexico in Marine Sciences (Fisheries Stock Assessment) and a Ph.D from the University of Delaware, Delaware USA in Marine Policy (Fisheries Economics). Since 2014 Dr. Hernandez has held a position as Professor and Researcher at the Universidad Marista de Merida in Mexico. Previously he worked as Senior Scientist for the Regional Center of Fisheries Research in Yucatan, Mexico, where he produced Fisheries Management Plans, and strategies several Mexican fisheries. He's also worked providing technical assistance on stock assessment and fishing effort impact, to fishery sector, such as fisheries managers, fishermen, industrial fisheries sector. As Senior Fisheries Officer for the World Wildlife Fund – Mexico. Dr. Hernandez implemented, monitored, and evaluated projects on sustainable fisheries management in the



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Mesoamerican Reef Ecoregion. He has extensive research experience in Mexico of fisheries management and policy, fisheries economics, econometrics, fisheries stock assessment and simulation models, scientific and technical writing, ocean and coastal policy, knowledge on intergovernmental institutions like FAO, UN system, IUCN, OECD.