



North Pacific Fisheries Commission

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North Pacific Fisheries Commission
2nd Meeting of the Small Scientific Committee on Neon Flying Squid
8-10 July 2025
Yantai, China

Annotated Indicative Schedule

Date	Time	Activities	Document
8 Jul	8:30-9:00	Registration	
	9:00-10:30	<p>Agenda Item 1. Opening of the Meeting <i>The SSC NFS Chair, Dr. Luoliang Xu, will open the meeting. The Host Member (China) will welcome participants. Participants will introduce themselves.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 2. Adoption of Agenda <i>The provisional agenda will be reviewed, amended, as appropriate, and adopted.</i></p> <p>Agenda Item 3. Review of previous SSC NFS01 outcomes and intersessional activities <i>The Chair will brief participants on the outcomes of the SSC NFS01 meeting and intersessional activities.</i></p> <p>3.1 Overview of stock assessment methods and management measures that have been used for squids or other short-lived species <i>The invited expert, Dr. Rujia Bi, will present an overview of stock assessment methods and management measures that have been used for squids or other short-lived species.</i></p> <p>3.2 Updates on NFS management strategy simulation work <i>Dr. Libin Dai (China) will report on NFS management strategy simulation work which was conducted as part of SC capacity building.</i></p>	MIP02 and 03.
	10:30-11:00	Group picture and morning break	

	11:00-12:30	<p>Agenda Item 4. Updates on Members' fishery status</p> <p>4.1 Member presentations prepared in advance using the provided template</p> <p><i>Each Member will make a presentation on its neon flying squid fisheries operated in the NPFC Convention Area and adjacent EEZs including recent information from 2025 (see draft template – WP01).</i></p> <p><i>Participants will review and revise, if needed, a template for fishery status information drafted by the invited expert.</i></p>	
	12:30-14:00	Lunch	
	14:00-15:30	<p>Agenda Item 5. Review of biological information for NFS</p> <p><i>Participants will make updates on biological information for NFS.</i></p> <p>5.1 Common sampling protocol for collecting NFS age and size data</p> <p><i>Participants will be invited to share their suggestions and ideas on a common sampling protocol for collecting NFS age and size data.</i></p>	
	15:30-16:00	Afternoon break	
	16:00-18:00	<p>Agenda Item 6. Review of potential input data for the surplus production model</p> <p>6.1 Historical catch data, including data collection methods and fishery-dependent abundance indices (e.g., nominal/standardized CPUE)</p> <p>6.2 Fishery-independent abundance indices (e.g., scientific surveys)</p> <p><i>Members will present updated input data and indices, including fishery-dependent and fishery-independent, that potentially may be used in modelling work.</i></p> <p><i>The Chair will present a draft template for Members' CPUE standardizations.</i></p>	
	18:30-20:30	Reception	

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9 Jul	9:00-10:30	Agenda Item 6. Continued	
	10:30-11:00	Morning break	
	11:00-12:30	<p>Agenda Item 7. Stock assessment modelling</p> <p>7.1 Review of any updates and progress on the surplus production models</p> <p>7.2 Discussion of alternative stock assessment approaches</p> <p>7.3 Recommendations for future work</p> <p><i>Participants will discuss stock assessment modelling, including reviewing updates and progress on surplus production models and discussing alternative stock assessment approaches. They will make recommendations for future work.</i></p>	
	12:30-14:00	Lunch	
	14:00-15:30	Agenda Item 7. Continued	
	15:30-16:00	Afternoon break	
	16:00-18:00	<p>Agenda Item 8. Review of the SSC NFS Work Plan</p> <p>8.1 Climate change related issues</p> <p><i>Participants will review updates, if any, on climate change impacts on the NFS stocks and make recommendations for future work.</i></p> <p>8.2 Review and update of the SSC NFS Work Plan</p> <p><i>Participants will review and update the SSC NFS Work Plan.</i></p> <p>8.3 NPFC Performance Review recommendations</p> <p><i>Participants will review a progress report on the implementation of the NPFC Performance Review recommendations related to the SSC NFS.</i></p>	

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10 Jul	9:00-10:30	<p>Agenda Item 9. Other matters</p> <p>9.1 Species summary for neon flying squid <i>Participants will review the species summary for neon flying squid updated by the Chair.</i></p> <p>9.2 Observer Program <i>Secretariat will present questions from TCC to SC regarding a regional observer program. Participants will respond to the questions.</i></p> <p>9.3 Invited expert <i>Members will consider hiring an invited expert for the SSC NFS in 2026.</i></p> <p>9.4 Election of Chair and vice-Chair <i>Members will elect a Chair and vice-Chair of the SSC NFS.</i></p> <p>9.5 Other <i>Participants will address other matters, if any, raised under agenda item 2. Adoption of Agenda.</i></p>	
	10:30-11:00	Morning break	
	11:00-12:30	<p>Agenda Item 10. Recommendations to the Scientific Committee <i>The SSC NFS will make recommendations to the Scientific Committee.</i></p>	
	12:30-14:00	Lunch	
	14:00-15:30	<p>Agenda Item 11. Adoption of Report <i>The report of the meeting will be prepared, reviewed and adopted by consensus.</i></p>	
	15:30-16:00	Afternoon break	
	16:00-18:00	<p>Agenda Item 12. Close of the Meeting <i>The Chair will make concluding remarks and close the meeting.</i></p>	