



OFFICE OF THE GOVERNOR

March 10, 2015

Ms. Eileen Sobeck  
Assistant Administrator for Fisheries  
National Marine Fisheries Service  
1316 East-West Highway, Room 14636  
Silver Spring, MD 20910

Dear Ms. Sobeck:

I am pleased to offer the following candidates to fill the positions created by the expiration of the Pacific Fishery Management Council's California obligatory seat currently held by Mr. David M. Crabbe, and two at-large seats, one of which is currently held by Mr. William L. Brizendine, II from California. Mr. Crabbe and Mr. Brizendine are both seeking reappointment for a third term. I am submitting a total of four names for your consideration in order of preference: Mr. David M. Crabbe, Mr. William L. Brizendine, II, Mr. Peter P. Leipzig, and Mr. Peter H. Flournoy.

In soliciting nominees, the Department of Fish and Wildlife consulted with individuals and fishery organizations whose members are directly affected by Council actions, as required under Fish and Game Code Section 7655 (copy of statute attached). All candidates meet the minimum qualifications relative to pertinent sections of the Magnuson Act, and would be willing to accept nominations to either the California obligatory seat or either of the at-large seats.

Nominations were submitted based on consultations with key organizations representing those California fishing industries most affected by Council management plans. The solicitation letter, including the full list of approximately 100 individuals and associations that received the letter, is enclosed. In addition, we solicited nominations from the environmental community as their representatives continue to play an increasing role in the Council's public process, and in fishery and community collaborations and partnerships.

The required federal application forms for the aforementioned candidates are enclosed.

Sincerely,

  
Edmund G. Brown Jr.

Enclosures

## **NOMINEES**

### **Mr. David M. Crabbe, incumbent** (finishing his second term in the California obligatory seat)

Mr. Crabbe is presently a member of the Council representing California. He is completing his second term in the California obligatory seat, and is available for re-appointment. Mr. Crabbe was appointed to the Council in 2009. Although he is primarily representing the commercial fishing sector, Mr. Crabbe has broad-based constituent support from an extensive list of California fishery and non-governmental interests, and he has diligently and successfully engaged in numerous Council issues on their behalf. During his past two terms, Mr. Crabbe was a leader in the development of a regulatory framework to allow for the use of electronic monitoring (i.e. video cameras) in the groundfish catch share program. He has also worked with industry and non-governmental interests on issues such as the development of harvest control rules for the sardine fishery, exemption of fishing permits for highly migratory species, and proposals to modify groundfish habitat. Mr. Crabbe was appointed to the Council's Legislative Committee in 2011 and has served as an officer for Council sponsored public hearings. During his past two terms, Mr. Crabbe has fully participated in Council discussions and state delegation meetings with our varied constituencies, and been very dedicated to the process and our stakeholders. He continues to play a key leadership role on the state's team to develop positions and policies in the best interest of California.

Mr. Crabbe has been a commercial fisherman, boat owner or deckhand since 1977, and presently holds commercial permits in California. He has fished numerous West Coast locations with several gear types for a variety of species, including salmon, black cod, petrale sole, rockfish, squid, sardines, anchovies, mackerel, herring, and halibut. He presently serves on the Board of Directors of the California Wetfish Producers Association, representing Monterey area wetfish fishery interests, and served on the California Department of Fish and Wildlife's Squid Fishery Advisory Committee. He has been involved in California's implementation of the Marine Life Protection Act, and was a member of the Central Coast Regional Stakeholder Group in 2006 and 2007. Mr. Crabbe also served two years on the Fishery Advisory Board of the Monterey Bay National Marine Sanctuary. He worked as a consultant with environmental organizations and fishermen to enact legislation which established a Dungeness crab task force to focus on longstanding fishery management issues. Mr. Crabbe is also employed as a realtor and a private consultant.

### **Mr. William L. Brizendine II, incumbent** (finishing his second term in an at-large seat)

Mr. Brizendine is presently a member of the Council representing California. He is completing his second term in an at-large seat, and is available for re-appointment. Mr. Brizendine began his service with the Council's Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) as a recreational representative in 2008, and was appointed to the Council in 2009. He was appointed as the Council's representative to the United States-Canada Albacore Treaty Forum in 2011. During his past two terms, Mr. Brizendine has fully participated in Council discussions and state delegation meetings with our varied constituencies. He has been attentive to details and

procedures, respectful of differences in opinion, and has played a leadership role on the state's team to develop positions and policies in the best interest of California. He has attended all core and ancillary meetings, and his dedication to the process and the state's diverse stakeholder groups is readily apparent.

Mr. Brizendine has been an operator and owner of commercial passenger fishing vessels (CPFVs) since the mid-1970's, running fishing trips ranging from Central California to Central Mexico aboard vessels carrying up to 105 passengers and operating up to 400 miles from shore. He has also skippered trips to islands and lagoons of Baja California to observe migration, breeding, and calving of California grey whales. Since 1979, he has owned and operated the M/V Prowler, a 65-foot CPFV in waters off Southern California and Northern Baja. His fishing expertise has led him to conduct numerous seminars and lectures on sportfishing and stewardship of our natural resources, and he has authored many published articles. Since 1990, Mr. Brizendine has served on the Board of Directors of the Sportfishing Association of California, and in this capacity has dealt with issues relating to fisheries management, Coast Guard, Homeland Security, and interjurisdictional policy and management issues with Mexico.

#### **Mr. Peter P. Leipzig**

Mr. Leipzig has been the Executive Director of the Fishermen's Marketing Association since 1978. As Executive Director he has represented commercial groundfish and shrimp trawl fishermen from San Pedro, California to Bellingham, Washington. He previously served two terms on the Council from 1989 to 1995, and was Vice Chair from 1993 to 1995. He has been a member and chair of the Council's Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, the Council's Limited Entry Buy-back Committee, several Council Stock Assessment Review Panels, the Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee, and two national steering committees. Mr. Leipzig is an active participant at Council meetings and was instrumental in addressing overcapitalization in the West Coast groundfish fleet through a federal buyback program. He currently serves on the Council's Groundfish Trawl Individual Quota Committee, Groundfish Allocation Committee, and Groundfish Regulatory Workgroup. He also serves as a faculty associate for the Humboldt State University's Fisheries Department.

#### **Mr. Peter H. Flournoy**

Since 1989, Mr. Flournoy has represented individuals, business entities, and industry associations involved in international business, trade or investment in a wide range of legal matters. Mr. Flournoy has represented clients before NOAA, National Marine Fisheries Service, Food and Drug Administration, Bureau of Alcohol, Tobacco, and Firearms, Immigration and Naturalization Service, Department of Justice, Environmental Protection Agency, and International Boundary and Water Commission. He regularly attends Council meetings, along with meetings of the Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), Western and Central Pacific Fisheries Commission (WCPFC), the California Fish and Game Commission, and the Council's HMSAS. He has previously served as Chair of the Permanent Advisory Committee to

the U.S. Section of the WCPFC and Chair of the HMSAS, and currently serves as the Chair of the IATTC's General Advisory Committee. Recently, Mr. Flournoy has worked with commercial fishermen and aquaculturists to open the Tuna Harbor Dockside Market, where fishermen can sell their catch directly to the public.

From 1983-1989, Mr. Flournoy was employed with the U.S. State Department providing legal advice for the negotiation of international agreements and treaties in the areas of fisheries, marine mammals, scientific and technological cooperation, deep seabed mining, and the environment. In this capacity, he assisted with drafting the South Pacific Tuna Act of 1988, and was also a legal advisor to the International Convention Concerning North Pacific Seals, the International Whaling Commission, the International North Pacific Fisheries Convention, and others.



KATE BROWN  
Governor

February 26, 2015

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Attn: Brian Fredieu

RE: 2015 Request for Nominations to the Pacific Fishery Management Council

Dear Ms. Sobeck:

In response to your letter of December 2, 2014, I am submitting the names of three individuals for potential appointment by the Secretary of Commerce to Oregon's obligatory seat on the Pacific Fisheries Management Council (PFMC). The seat is currently held by Ms. Dorothy Lowman and I strongly recommend her for reappointment. Please note that I am not submitting names for nomination to the regional at-large seats on PFMC. These individuals are:

Ms. Dorothy Lowman  
Mr. Walter Chuck  
Mr. Robert Duncan

Included with this letter of nomination are the complete original applications of the above-named individuals. I have found that the candidates meet the requirements listed in section 302(b)(2)(A) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Reauthorization Act. A brief description of their abilities and applicable experience is provided below.

Dorothy Lowman

Ms. Lowman is completing her second term as a PFMC member. Ms. Lowman has over 30 years of experience in the field of fisheries management. As a fisheries consultant, she works with both industry and environmental organizations on fishery management issues both regionally in the Pacific and North Pacific and nationally. Since 2014, she has served as a commissioner on the Western Central Pacific Fisheries Commission. She has also worked for the Pacific, North Pacific, and Western Pacific Fishery Management Councils. Prior to her PFMC appointment, she served on the Council's Trawl Individual Quota Committee as well as the Secretary of Commerce's Marine Fisheries Advisory Committee. She has an undergraduate degree in oceanography and a master's degree in marine resource management from the University of Washington.



Walter Chuck

Mr. Chuck is an avid marine recreational angler and currently advises the Oregon Department of Fish and Wildlife as a member of the Oregon Sportfish Advisory Committee. He holds leadership positions as co-chair of the Oregon Recreational Fishing Alliance and Oregon anglers. He is also an active member of his community, having served as a Commissioner for the Port of Newport and member of the Oregon Coastal Zone Management Association, Cape Perpetua Marine Reserve Community Team, and Fishermen Involved in Natural Energy for Lincoln County, Oregon.

Robert Duncan

Mr. Duncan is an avid marine recreational angler and serves as an honorary member on the Fish and Wildlife Committee for the Confederated Tribes of the Grand Ronde. For many years, he has been a member of the North American Fishing club. Mr. Duncan is currently retired. His prior work experience included service in the US Navy, retail store owner and manager, and briefly as crewman on a commercial fishing vessel out of Newport, Oregon.

Of the three nominees offered for appointment, I am recommending the appointment of Ms. Dorothy Lowman. She has successfully demonstrated during her terms on the PFMC that she uses her skills, education, and experience to serve Oregon and the Council very well. She enthusiastically and effectively engages with diverse stakeholders; enclosed with her application are letters of endorsement from organizations representing the major environmental interests, sport fishing, and commercial fishing sectors in Oregon. In her service on the PFMC Ms. Lowman consistently contributes substantial time and thoughtful consideration to prepare well for the council's deliberations and decisions.

In determining whom to nominate, we have consulted with a broad range of conservation and management interests familiar with the work of the PFMC. In addition, we have carefully considered qualified women and/or minority candidates as requested. To recruit applicants, ODFW issued a news release and utilized social media to announce the opportunity to be considered. The agency also directly contacted a diverse group of about sixty individuals and organizations actively involved in west coast marine resource issues from fishing and conservation perspectives.

The work of the Council is extremely important. I appreciate this opportunity to provide Oregon's recommendation on the pending appointment.

Sincerely,



Governor Kate Brown

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Attachment: Individuals contacted and press release  
Enclosures: Dorothy Lowman application, resume and letters of support  
Walter Chuck application  
Robert Duncan application



Jay Inslee  
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State of Washington

March 10, 2015

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Attn: Brian Fredieu

Dear Ms. Sobeck:

Please accept the following names, in priority order, as my nominees for the at-large Washington State seat to the Pacific Fishery Management Council (PFMC). Mr. Dale Myer currently occupies this seat; his third and final term expires August 10, 2015, and he is not eligible for reappointment.

Washington State has consulted with a broad range of commercial, recreational and public constituents in seeking nominations for this at-large seat. Based on my evaluation of each candidate's qualifications, I am recommending the following individuals in priority order:

- 1) Mr. Philip Anderson:  
Mr. Anderson is a resident of Westport, Washington, and has worked for the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife (WDFW) since July 1994, most recently serving as its Director from 2009 through January 2015. He is currently a Special Assistant with WDFW, and will retire in March 2015. Mr. Anderson is a U.S. representative on the Pacific Salmon Commission and PFMC's representative on the U.S./Canada Joint Management Committee for Pacific whiting and, in the past, has served as PFMC's representative on the International Pacific Halibut Commission. A former charter fishing skipper and current boat owner, Mr. Anderson continues to take passengers for hire on pelagic seabird watching trips.
- 2) Mr. Brent Paine:  
Mr. Paine is a resident of Seattle, Washington, and is the Executive Director of United Catcher Boats, an association of 72 mid-water trawl vessel owners and operators who fish off the West Coast primarily for Pacific whiting, as well as in the Bering Sea and Gulf of Alaska. Mr. Paine is currently a member of the PFMC's Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, and the U.S./Canada whiting Advisory Panel, and has participated in Alaska salmon fisheries.

- 3) Mr. Douglas Fricke:  
Mr. Fricke is a resident of Aberdeen, Washington, the owner of Boat Seafoods, Inc., and a member of the Washington Trollers' Association. He is currently the Chair of the PFMC's Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel. He has been an active member in the fishing arena since he started salmon fishing in the 1960s, and continues to engage in various management processes, primarily relative to salmon and albacore tuna fisheries.

Mr. Anderson has served with distinction on the Council since 1987, first as a private citizen and then as a representative of the Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife, and has broad support among multiple interests for his appointment to Washington's At-Large Seat. He is a strong supporter of sustainable fisheries, has a strong conservation ethic, and certainly has my confidence in representing Washington. His nomination will serve Washington well.

While Mr. Anderson is my preferred candidate, I believe that each of these three candidates are qualified to serve on the Pacific Fishery Management Council and will support management values that promote resource conservation, habitat protection and sustainable fisheries.

Very truly yours,



Jay Inslee  
Governor

Enclosures: List of Groups Consulted  
Nomination kits for Mr. Anderson, Mr. Paine, and Mr. Fricke

cc: Jim Unsworth, Washington Department of Fish and Wildlife

**List of Groups Consulted Regarding Nominations for Washington At-Large Seat on the Pacific Fishery Management Council – 2015 Nomination**

Arctic Storm, Inc.  
Bornstein Seafood  
Columbia River Crab Fisherman's Association  
Fishing Vessel Owners Association  
Ilwaco Charter Association  
Ilwaco Fish Company  
The Nature Conservancy  
Ocean Gold Seafood  
Oceana  
Pacific Seafood  
Pacific Seafood Processors' Association  
Pacific Whiting Conservation Cooperative  
Pew Oceans Commission  
Puget Sound Anglers  
Purse Seine Vessels Owners' Association  
United Catcher Boats  
Washington Dungeness Crab Fisherman's Association  
Washington Trollers' Association  
Westport Charter Association  
Wild Salmon Center