



NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

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Call for Nominations: *The Council is soliciting nominations for a new member to sit on both the Fishery Monitoring Advisory Committee (FMAC) and the Partial Coverage Fishery Monitoring Committee (PCFMAC). The FMAC convenes industry members, agency representatives, observers, and observer providers to advise the Council on issues related to monitoring in the North Pacific halibut and groundfish fisheries, while the PCFMAC focuses on the subset of issues specific to monitoring in the partial coverage category of the North Pacific Observer Program.*

The Council seeks one representative who:

- Is familiar with monitoring issues on **trawl catcher vessels in the Gulf of Alaska** (both observer deployment and electronic monitoring (EM)),
- Possesses an understanding of how monitoring occurs aboard these vessels in conjunction with shoreside sampling procedures, and
- Is willing to collaborate across sectors and help develop priorities related to observer deployment optimization and electronic monitoring.

The FMAC and PCFMAC each typically meet one to two times per year, though additional meetings may occur as needed. The next meetings will be on **September 16th (PCFMAC)** and **September 25th (FMAC), 2024**. Both meetings will be held in hybrid format with the option to attend remotely via Zoom or in-person from the Council staff office in Anchorage or the Alaska Fisheries Science Center (AFSC) in Seattle. The PCFMAC agenda will include the 2025 Draft Annual Deployment Plan (ADP), and the FMAC agenda will include review of a discussion paper on observer availability and review/prioritization of NFWF EM Proposals. Please submit a letter of interest describing how your experience and background relates to one or more of the above, to Sara Cleaver, sara.cleaver@noaa.gov, by August 19, 2024.

Note: This vacancy is in addition to the call for nominations for observer representatives that the Council distributed in June. The deadline for that position is July 31st. See the announcement in the [June 2024 newsletter](#) for more details on that vacancy.