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North Pacific Fishery Management Council Charter Halibut Management Committee AGENDA

Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, AK 12/4/2017 9AM – 4PM

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council's Charter Halibut Management Committee will meet in Anchorage, Alaska on Monday, 4 December 2017 at the Hilton Hotel. The purposes of the meeting are to select management measures to recommend to the Council for charter halibut fishing in Area 2C and Area 3A in 2018, and to review three discussion papers related to charter halibut management on the Council's agenda for December 2017. The meeting will be broadcast over the web (https://npfmc.adobeconnect.com/charterhalibut1217/) and via teleconference (907-271-2896). All papers are available by clicking the links below, or from the Council's agenda on the Council website (www.npfmc.org). Public comment is at the discretion of the Chairman, but may be accepted after each agenda item, before committee discussion.

- 2018 Charter Halibut Management Measures
 Mr. Scott Meyer (ADF&G) will present the results of his analysis of potential management
 measures for charter halibut fishing in Areas 2C and 3A. The committee will select management
 measures to recommend to the Council for presentation to the International Pacific Halibut
 Commission (IPHC) at their annual meeting in January.
- 2. Charter halibut permits <u>Latent Capacity Discussion Paper</u>
 Sarah Marrinan (Council staff) will present a discussion paper exploring mechanisms to reduce latent capacity in the CHP program. The committee will review the paper and may choose to make recommendations to the Council.
- 3. Charter halibut permits RQE Ownership Caps Discussion Paper
 Sarah Marrinan (Council staff) will present a discussion paper exploring the possibility of changing or eliminating the ownership cap on Charter Halibut Permits (CHPs) for the Recreational Quota Entity (RQE). The committee will review the paper and may choose to make recommendations to the Council.
- 4. <u>Self-Guided Halibut Rental Boats Discussion Paper</u>

Steve MacLean (Council staff) will present a discussion paper exploring mechanisms to create a registration for motorized rental boats that are intended to be used by unguided anglers to harvest halibut in Areas 2C and 3A. The committee will review the paper and may choose to make recommendations to the Council.

After presentations and discussion, the Committee will review and finalize their comments for presentation to the Council.