

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT AGENDA
212th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
February 6-12, 2013
Benson Hotel

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Benson Hotel, 309 SW Broadway, Mayfair Ballroom, Portland, OR. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Scientific and Statistical Committee
Advisory Panel
Ecosystem Committee
*Lower level

Beginning

Feb 4 - 6, 2013 – Cambridge Oxford (2nd Floor)
Feb 5 - 9, 2013 – Crystal Ballroom (Lobby)
Feb 5, 2013 – 8:30am – 12:30pm – Parliament 3-4*

All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions of the Council. Other committee and workgroup meetings may be scheduled on short notice during the week, and will be posted at the hotel.

INFORMATION FOR PERSONS WISHING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sign-up sheets are available at the registration table for those wishing to provide public comments on a specific agenda item. Sign-up must be completed **before** public comment begins on that agenda item. Additional names are generally not accepted **after** public comment has begun.

Submission of Written Comments. Written comments and materials to be included in Council meeting notebooks must be received at the Council office by 5:00 pm (Alaska Time) on **TUESDAY January 29, 2013**. Written and oral comments should include a statement of the source and date of information provided as well as a brief description of the background and interests of the person(s) submitting the statement. Comments can be sent by mail, fax or email. **It is the submitter's responsibility to provide an adequate number of copies of comments after the deadline.** Materials provided **during** the meeting for distribution to Council members should be provided to the Council secretary. A minimum of **25** copies is needed to ensure that Council members, the executive director, NOAA General Counsel, appropriate staff, and the official meeting record each receive a copy. If copies are to be made available for the Advisory Panel (**28**), Scientific and Statistical Committee (**18**), or the public after the pre-meeting deadline, they must also be provided by the submitter.

Submission of EMAIL Comments: The Council is accepting email comments at one email address: npfmc.comments@noaa.gov

The Comments must identify the submitter by legal name, affiliation, and date, and must also identify the specific agenda item by number (C-1(a) for example), and must be submitted by the comment deadline. Comments received under these conditions, will be sorted, copied, and included in the Council notebooks. PDF attachments will be accepted, as long as the above criteria are met. Comment received after the deadline will not be copied and distributed, but will be treated the same as written late comments. Emails

submitted for the comments must be to the above address, and not to specific Council staff or Council members. Additionally, email comments will only be accepted on items that are on the scheduled agenda. A return receipt will be issued automatically upon opening the electronic comment

FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE ADVISORY PANEL

The Advisory Panel has revised its operating guidelines to incorporate a strict time management approach to its meetings. Rules for testimony before the Advisory Panel have been developed which are similar to those used by the Council. Members of the public wishing to testify before the AP **must** sign up on the list for each topic listed on the agenda. Sign-up sheets are provided in a special notebook located at the back of the room. The deadline for registering to testify is when the agenda topic comes before the AP. The time available for individual and group testimony will be based on the number registered and determined by the AP Chairman. **The AP may not take public testimony on items for which they will not be making recommendations to the Council.**

FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

The usual practice is for the SSC to call for public comment immediately following the staff presentation on each agenda item. The Committee will discourage testimony that does not directly address the technical issues of concern to the SSC. **Presentations lasting more than five minutes will require prior approval from the Chair.**

Commonly used Acronyms

AI - Aleutian Islands	GKC - Golden King Crab
AFA - American Fisheries Act	GHL - Guideline Harvest Level
BBRKC - Bristol Bay Red King Crab	HAPC - Habitat Areas of Particular Concern
BiOp - Biological Opinion	IBA - Individual Bycatch Accounting
BKC - Blue King Crab	IBQ - Individual Bycatch Quota
BSAI - Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	ICA - Inter-cooperative Agreements
BSFRF - Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation	IFQ - Individual Fishing Quota
BSIERP - Bering Sea Integrated Ecosystem Research Program	IPQ - Individual Processor Quotas
AK BOF - Alaska Board of Fisheries	IPA - Incentive Program Agreements
CDQ - Community Development Quota	MPA - Marine Protected Area
CIE - Center for Independent Experts	NOI - Notice of Intent
CGOA - Central Gulf of Alaska	PSEIS - Programmatic Supplemental Impact Statement
CQE - Community Quota Entity	PSC - Prohibited Species Catch
EDR - Economic Data Reporting	RKC - Red King Crab
EFP - Exempted Fishing Permit	ROFR - Right of First Refusal
EIS - Environmental Impact Statement	SAFE - Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
EFH - Essential Fish Habitat	SSL - Steller Sea Lion
FLL - Freezer longliners	TAC - Total Allowable Catch
GOA - Gulf of Alaska	VMS - Vessel Monitoring System

NOTE: Council may take action as necessary on all matters listed on the Agenda

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- | A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER | Estimated Time |
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| (a) Approval of Agenda
(b) Approval of Minutes | |
| B. REPORTS | (6 hrs) |
| B-1 Executive Director's Report (including status report on stock structure workshop; recent legislation re Am80 and AFA vessels, Ecosystem Committee report) | |
| B-2 NMFS Management Report (including NOAA Report on Deep Sea Coral Strategic Plan, update on observer program, update on AFSC activities) | |
| B-3 ADF&G Report | |
| B-4 NOAA Enforcement Report | |
| B-5 USCG Report (Report on AI Risk Assessment) | |
| B-6 USFWS Report | |
| B-7 IPHC Report | |
| B-8 Protected Species Report (Report on SSL EIS; action as necessary, update on coral petition) | |
| C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS | |
| C-1 <u>Habitat Issues</u> | (6 hrs) |
| (a) Final action on HAPC – Skate egg concentration areas. | |
| (b) Review discussion paper on Bristol Bay red king crab. | |
| C-2 <u>Groundfish Issues</u> | (12 hrs) |
| (a) Discussion paper on crab bycatch limits in BSAI groundfish fisheries. | |
| (b) Initial review of BSAI Flatfish Specifications Flexibility. | |
| (c) Initial review of GOA Pacific cod sideboards for FLL. | |
| (d) Initial review of AFA Vessel Replacement GOA Sideboards. | |
| C-3 <u>GOA Trawl Issues</u> | (8 hrs) |
| (a) Discussion paper on CGOA Trawl Economic Data Collection. | |
| (b) Discussion paper on CGOA Trawl Catch Shares. | |
| (c) Review WGOA issues and discuss next steps. | |
| C-4 <u>BSAI Crab Issues</u> | (8 hrs) |
| (a) Final Action on BSAI Crab Rights of First Refusal (ROFR). | |
| (b) Initial review of BSAI Crab active participation requirements. | |
| (c) Discussion paper on BSAI Crab Cooperative Provisions for Crew. | |

D. OTHER ISSUES

D-1 Miscellaneous Issues (4 hrs)
Discussion paper on the definition of a Fishing Guide.

D-2 Staff Tasking (4 hrs)
Review Committees and tasking.

(T) = tentative

Total Hours: (48 hrs)

Draft Agenda and Schedule

FEBRUARY 2013

	SSC Cambridge/Oxford	AP Crystal Ballroom	Council Mayfair Ballroom	
Monday Feb 4	8:00 am Election of Officers C-1(b) BBRKC habitat C-2 (b) BS flatfish flexibility			
	1:00 pm C-2 (b) continued C-2 (c) FLL Pcod sideboards			
Tuesday Feb 5 5:30-6:30 pm Mayfair Ballroom Greenpeace presentation on canyon research	8:00 am C-2 (d) AFA sideboards C- 3 (a) CGOA trawl economic data collection	8:00 am Election of Officers C-1 Habitat Issues		
	1:00 pm C-4 (a) BSAI Crab ROFR Report on Alaska Coral and Sponge Initiative research	1:00 pm C-2 Groundfish Issues		
Wednesday Feb 6 MTC reception – 5:30 – 7:30 – London Grill	8:00 am review minutes	8:00 am C-2 continued		8:00 am B report
	1:00 pm continue as necessary	1:00 pm C-3 GOA Trawl Catch Shares		1:00 pm B reports continued C-1 Habitat Issues
Thursday Feb 7		8:00 am C-3 continued C-4 BSAI Crab Issues		8:00 am C-1 continued
		1:00 pm C-4 continued		1:00 pm C-2 Groundfish Issues
Friday Feb 8		8:00 am D-1 Misc Issues		8:00 am C-2 continued
		1:00 pm D-2 Staff Tasking		12:00pm Executive Session 1:00 pm C-2 continued
Saturday Feb 9		8:00 am continue if necessary	8:00 am C-3 GOA Trawl Catch Shares	
		1:00 pm	1:00 pm C-3 continued	
Sunday Feb 10				8:00 am C-4 BSAI Crab Issues
				1:00 pm C-4 continued
Monday Feb 11				8:00 am D-1 Misc Issues
				1:00 pm D-2 Staff Tasking
Tuesday Feb 12	8:00 am continue if necessary			
	1:00 pm			

NOTE: The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary. All meetings are open to the public with the exception of Council Executive Sessions.