

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT AGENDA
205th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
September 28-October 4, 2011
The Grand Aleutian
Dutch Harbor, Alaska

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Grand Aleutian Hotel, Makushin Room, in Dutch Harbor, AK. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Advisory Panel
Scientific and Statistical Committee

Beginning

September 26-30 – Unisea Central Building
September 26-28 – Grand Aleutian – Shishaldin Room

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 September 20, 2011**. 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 or fax—please **do not** submit comments by e-mail. **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.

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

**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.**

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Estimated Time

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- (a) Election of Officers
- (b) Approval of Agenda
- (c) Approval of Minutes

B. REPORTS

(4 hrs)

- B-1 Executive Director's Report
- B-2 NMFS Management Report (including GOA P. cod sector split report)
- B-3 ADF&G Report (including Board of Fisheries cod proposals)
- B-4 NOAA Enforcement Report
- B-5 USCG Report
- B-6 USFWS Report
- B-7 Protected Species Report (including SSL CIE Terms of Reference)

C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS

C-1 Salmon FMP

(8 hrs)

- (a) Report on the Salmon Workshop.
- (b) Initial Review of a revised Salmon FMP.

C-2 Groundfish Harvest Specifications

(12 hrs)

- (a) Adopt proposed specifications for 2012.
- (b) Initial review of analysis to reduce GOA halibut PSC limits.
- (c) Review white paper on IBQs.

C-3 BSAI Crab Issues

(12 hrs)

- (a) Initial review of Crab EDR.
- (b) ~~Report from stakeholders on crab 5-year review issues.~~ (Delayed until December)
- (c) Approve catch specifications/approve BSAI Crab SAFE report.
- (d) Final action on Pribilof BKC Rebuilding plan.
- (e) Review alternatives for Bering Sea Tanner Crab Rebuilding.

C-4 Observer Program

(4 hrs)

- (a) Review OAC report.
- (b) Review Restructuring Regulations.

C-5 Halibut Management

(4 hrs)

- (a) Initial Review/Final action on CQE vessel use caps.
- (b) Initial Review of CQE in Area 4B.
- (c) Discussion/direction on Area 4B Fish-up.

D. OTHER ISSUES

- D-1 Groundfish Issues (8 hrs)
- (a) ~~Discussion paper on vessel replacement BS Freezer Longliners.~~ (Delayed until December)
 - (b) Draft regulations for freezer longliner Catch Monitoring and Enforcement.
 - (c) ~~Discussion paper on GOA Pacific Cod A season opening dates.~~ (Delayed until December)
 - (d) Discussion paper on GOA pollock D-season.
 - (e) Discussion paper on BS & AI P. Cod split.
 - (f) ~~Review/approve Halibut mortality on trawlers EFP.~~ (T) (Delayed until December)

- D-2 Staff Tasking (4 hrs)
- (a) Outreach Committee report.
 - (b) Review Committee and tasking.

- D-3 Other Business

(T) = tentative

Total Hours: (56 hrs)

Draft Agenda and Schedule

SEPTEMBER/OCTOBER 2011

	SSC Shashaldin Room	AP Unisea Central Building	Council Makushin Room	
Monday Sept 26	8:00 am C-3(c) Crab SAFE	8:00 am C-1 Salmon FMP		
	1:00 pm C-3 (a, e)	1:00 pm C-3 BSAI Crab		
Tuesday Sept 27	8:00 am C- 1 Salmon FMP	8:00 am C-3 continued		
	1:00 pm C-2 Groundfish Specs	1:00 pm C-3 continued		
Wednesday Sept 28	8:00 am C-2 continued	8:00 am C-2 Groundfish Specs		8:00 am B report
	1:00 pm continue as necessary	1:00 pm C-2 continued		1:00 pm C-1 Salmon FMP
Thursday Sept 29		8:00 am C-2 continued	8:00 am C-1 continued	
		1:00 pm C-5 Halibut Mgmt	12:00pm Executive Session (T) 1:00 pm C-3 Crab Issues	
Friday Sept 30		8:00 am D-1(d,e,f) Groundfish Issues	8:00 am C-3 continued	
		1:00 pm D-1 continued D-2 Staff tasking	1:00 pm C-3 continued	
Saturday Oct 1			8:00 am C-2 Groundfish Specs	
			1:00 pm C-2 continued	
Sunday Oct 2	8:00 am C-2 continued			
	1:00 pm C-4 Observer Program			
Monday Oct 3	8:00 are C-5 Halibut Mgmt.			
	1:00 pm D-1 Groundfish Issues			
Tuesday Oct 4	8:00 am D-1 continued D-2 Staff tasking			
	1:00 pm continued as necessary			

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.

EVENING EVENTS:

Tuesday, 9/27 – Open House at Museum of the Aleutians (tentatively scheduled for 6pm-8pm)

Wednesday, 9/28 – Seafood Buffet on own (6pm-10pm), followed by Karaoke at Harbor View Bar (10pm)

Thursday, 9/29 – City of Unalaska Reception in Margaret Bay Café with Performances by Local Musicians (6pm-9pm)

Friday, 9/30 – Bowling Night at the Fish Bowl. Beer/Wine Garden with Pizza and Salad (6pm-9pm), followed by Entertainment by Alyssa and Friends in Cape Cheerful Lounge at the Grand Aleutian (9pm)

Saturday, 10/1 – Bonfire/BBQ at Little South America (6pm-9pm), followed by Entertainment by Alyssa and Friends at Harbor View Bar (9pm) (HBV will be used for BBQ if weather conditions are unfavorable)