

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT AGENDA
198th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
June 9-15, 2010
Centennial Hall, Sitka

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Centennial Hall, 330 Harbor Drive, Sitka, Alaska. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Advisory Panel
Scientific and Statistical Committee
Enforcement Committee

Beginning

June 7 – 8am – Maksoutoff Room
June 7 – 8am – Rousseau Room
June 8 – 1pm – 5pm – Westmark Hotel/Sounder 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 June 1, 2010**. 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.**

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

ABC	Acceptable Biological Catch	IRFA	Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
AI	Aleutian Islands	LLP	License Limitation Program
AP	Advisory Panel	MSFCMA	Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
ADFG	Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game	MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act
BS	Bering Sea	MRA	Maximum Retainable Amount
BSAI	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
CDQ	Community Development Quota	mt	Metric tons
EA/RIR	Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone	NOAA	National Oceanic & Atmospheric Adm.
EFH	Essential Fish Habitat	NPFMC	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
EFP	Exempted Fishing Permit	OY	Optimum Yield
ESA	Endangered Species Act	PSC	Prohibited Species Catch
FEP	Fishery Ecosystem Plan	SAFE	Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
FMP	Fishery Management Plan	SSC	Scientific and Statistical Committee
GHL	Guideline Harvest Level	SSL	Steller Sea Lion
GOA	Gulf of Alaska	TAC	Total Allowable Catch
HAPC	Habitat Areas of Particular Concern	USFWS	United States Fish & Wildlife Service
IFQ	Individual Fishing Quota		
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission		

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Estimated Time

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- (a) Approval of Agenda
- (b) Approval of April Minutes

B. REPORTS

(4 hrs)

- B-1 Executive Director's Report
- B-2 NMFS Management Report (including review of Am 91 proposed rule)
- B-3 ADF&G Report
- B-4 NOAA Enforcement Report
- B-5 USCG Report
- B-6 USFWS Report
- B-7 Protected Species Report

C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS

- C-1 BSAI Chum Salmon Bycatch (4 hrs)
 - (a) Receive update on Outreach initiatives.
 - (b) Review discussion paper and finalize alternatives for analysis.
 - (c) Update on chum and Chinook salmon genetics research and sampling design.
- C-2 BSAI Crab ACLs and Rebuilding Plans (4 hrs)
 - (a) Initial Review of analysis to establish ACLs and rebuild snow crab.
 - (b) Approve Crab SAFE/OFLs as necessary.
 - (c) Review PSC discussion paper.
- C-3 Scallop ACLs (2 hrs)

Initial Review of analysis to establish scallop ACLs.
- C-4 Observer Program Restructuring (8 hrs)
 - (a) Initial Review of analysis on program restructuring.
 - (b) Receive report from Observer Committee.
- C-5 CGOA Rockfish Program (12 hrs)

Final action on CGOA Rockfish Catch Share Program.
- C-6 Amendment 80 Program (4 hrs)
 - (a) Report on GRS program.
 - (b) Final Action on amendment for lost vessel replacement.

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D. OTHER ISSUES

- D-1 Groundfish Management (4 hrs)
(a) Initial Review of analysis for GOA P.cod sideboards for crab vessels.
(b) Initial Review of analysis to adjust MRAs in BSAI arrowtooth fishery.
- D-2 Miscellaneous Issues (2 hrs)
(a) Review preliminary discussion paper on GOA Halibut PSC.
(b) Receive briefing on Alaska MPAs and fishery overlap.
(c) Review Pacific cod assessment model run proposals (SSC only).
(d) Review Council request for Tier 6 Working Group (SSC Only).
(e) AFA preliminary report removal – initial/final action.
- D-3 Staff Tasking (4 hrs)
Review Committees and tasking
- D-4 Other Business

(T) = tentative

Total Hours: (48 hrs)

Draft Agenda and Schedule

June 2010

	SSC Rousseau	AP Maksoutoff	Council Auditorium	
Monday Jun 7	8:00 am C-1(b) (c) Chum salmon: areas, prop. analytical methods, genetics/ sampling design C-2 BSAI Crab ACLs/Rebuilding/SAFE	8:00 am C-5 GOA Rockfish		
	1:00 pm C-2 continued	1:00 pm C-5 continued		
Tuesday Jun 8 Enforcement Committee – 1pm – 5pm - Westmark	8:00 am C-2 continued C-3 Scallop ACLS	8:00 am C-5 continued		
	1:00 pm C-4 Observer Program	1:00 pm C-1 BSAI Chum Bycatch		
Wednesday Jun 9	8:00 am D-1 Groundfish Mgmt	8:00 am C-2 Crab ACLs		8:00 am B Report
	1:00 pm D-2(c, d) Misc Items	1:00 pm C-3 Scallop ACLs C-4 Observer Program		1:00 pm C-1 BSAI Chum Bycatch
Thursday Jun 10 Reception – 5:30 – 7:30 – AK Raptor Center		8:00 am C-4 continued	8:00 am C-2 Crab ACLs	
		1:00 pm C-6 Am 80 Vessels	12:00pm Executive Session (T) 1:00 pm C-3 Scallop ACLs	
Friday Jun 11		8:00 am D-1 Groundfish Mgmt.	8:00 am C-4 Observer Program	
		1:00 pm D-2 Misc. Issues D-3 Staff Tasking	1:00 pm C-4 continued Break by 5pm	
Saturday Jun 12 Reception – 7pm – Sitka Sound Science Center		8:00 am C-6 Am 80 Vessels		
		1:00 pm C-5 Rockfish Program		
Sunday Jun 14		8:00 am C-5 continued		
		1:00 pm C-5 continued		
Monday Jun 14		8:00 am C-5 continued D-1 Groundfish Issues		
		1:00 pm D-1 continued D-2 Misc Issues		
Tuesday Jun 15	8:00am D-3 Staff Tasking			
	1:00pm continue if necessary Break by 5pm			

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