



NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL Meeting Agenda

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Anchorage Hilton Hotel

236th Plenary Session

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet the week of December 4-12, 2017 at the Hilton Hotel, 500 W. 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Charter Halibut Management Committee: Monday, Dec. 4, 2017 9am-4pm – Birch/Willow Room
Scientific and Statistical Committee: Dec. 4-6, 2017 8am-5pm – King Salmon/Iliamna
Advisory Panel: Dec. 5-9, 2017 8am-5pm – Dillingham/Katmai
Council: Dec. 6-12, 2017 8am-5pm – Aleutian Room

All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions. Information on submitting comments in writing or in person can be found in the PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION attached below. The deadline for comments is 5:00 pm (AST) Thursday November 30, 2017. Submit comments by email to npfmc.comments@noaa.gov. The Council meeting will be broadcast beginning December 6 at <https://npfmc.adobeconnect.com/december2017>. Motions will be posted following the meeting.

[December 2017 meeting](#) Attached are the meeting schedule, agendas for other committee meetings, information on providing public comments, and meeting access information.

Attachments: [Schedule \(hyperlink\)](#)
[Pre-Meeting Review Documents \(hyperlink\)](#)
[Charter Halibut Committee Agenda 12-4-17 \(hyperlink\)](#)

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- A1 [ID 17-023](#) Approval of Agenda
- A2 [ID 17-024](#) Minutes and Summary from Previous Meeting
- Attachments:** [SSC Minutes Oct 2017 \(hyperlink\)](#)
[AP Minutes Oct. 2017 \(hyperlink\)](#)
- A3 [ID 17-025](#) In Meeting Minutes (committee minutes drafted during meeting)

Attachments: [SSC Report](#)
[PRESENTATION: SSC C4](#)
[PRESENTATION: SSC C5](#)
[PRESENTATION: B1, C6, D6](#)
[Charter Halibut Management Committee Minutes](#)
[AP Minutes December 2017](#)
[SSC Report December 2017](#)
[Council Summary December 2017](#)

B. REPORTS

B1 [REP 17-035](#) **Executive Director's Report**
(including Legislative update, Bowhead whale entanglement review, Amendment 80 Cooperative report)

Attachments: [B1 Action Memo](#)
[B1 Inuit and Marine Mammals](#)
[B1 Williams GOA PT Nomination](#)
[B1 Palof CPT Nomination](#)
[B1 Gaeuman CPT Nomination](#)
[B1 Renner SSC Nomination](#)
[B1 Hanselman SSC Nomination](#)
[B1 SJR 17](#)
[B1 Chairman's Statement from Washington Meeting](#)
[B1 MSA Comment Letter to Sullivan](#)
[B1 Regional Fishery Council Positions on MSA](#)
[B1 Congressional Activities Report - October 2017](#)
[B1 IPHC Interim Meeting Memo](#)
[B1 Flyer: Toast to the Coast](#)
[B1 SectorReport.pdf](#)
[B1 Mr. Oliver Response Letter to EM](#)
[PRESENTATION: line entanglement](#)

B2 [REP 17-036](#) ~~**Legislative Report**~~ *(addressed under B1)*

B3 [REP 17-037](#) **NMFS Management Report**
(including year-end inseason management report, Final 2018 Observer Annual Deployment Plan, Draft EM Policy Directive (T))

Attachments: [B3 NMFS report](#)
[B3 Intent to process Pcod Adak and Atka](#)
[B3 BSAI Inseason Management Report](#)
[B3 GOA Inseason Management Report](#)
[B3 ADP](#)
[B3 Public Comment](#)

B4 [REP 17-038](#) **NOAA GC Report**

Attachments: [B4 Designated Officials Memo](#)
[B4 UCIDA Status Report](#)
[B4 Response to Status Report](#)
[B4 Recusal Determination](#)

B5 [REP 17-039](#) **NOAA Enforcement Report**

Attachments: [B5 NOAA-OLE Report Dec. 2017](#)
[PRESENTATION: B5](#)

B6 [REP 17-040](#) **ADF&G Report**

Attachments: [B6 ADFG report](#)
[PRESENTATION: ADFG](#)
[PRESENTATION: ADFG SUBSISTENCE HALIBUT](#)

B7 [REP 17-041](#) **USCG Report**

Attachments: [B7 USCG Enforcement Presentation](#)
[B7 USCG Enforcement Report](#)

B8 [REP 17-042](#) **USFWS Report**

Attachments: [B8 USFWS Report Dec. 2017](#)

B9 [REP 17-043](#) **Protected Species Report**

Attachments: [B9 Action Memo - Protected Species Report](#)
[B9 CBD Dungeness crab petition](#)
[B9 SSL 5 Year Review](#)

B10 [REP 17-044](#) **IPHC Report**

Attachments: [B10 IPHC](#)
[PRESENTATION: B10](#)
[B Public Testimony Sheet](#)

C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS

- C1** [HAL 17-033](#) 2018 Charter Halibut Management Measures - Final Action
- Attachments:** [C1 Action Memo](#)
 [C1 Public Comment](#)
 [C1 ADF&G Analysis of Charter Measures 2018](#)
 [HANDOUT: CHMC Minutes](#)
 [PRESENTATION: C1](#)
 [MOTION: C1](#)
 [C1 Public Testimony Sheet & Handout](#)
- C2** [HAL 17-034](#) Charter Halibut Permits: Latent Capacity; RQE Ownership Caps - Discussion Papers
- Attachments:** [C2 Action Memo](#)
 [C2 CHP Latency](#)
 [C2 RQE Ownership Caps](#)
 [C2 Public Comment](#)
 [MOTION: C2](#)
 [C2 Public Testimony Sheet](#)
- C3** [HAL 17-035](#) Self-Guided Halibut Rental Boats - Discussion Paper
- Attachments:** [C3 Action Memo.pdf](#)
 [C3 Self-Guided Halibut Rental Boats Registration](#)
 [C3 Public Comment.pdf](#)
 [MOTION: C3](#)
 [C3 Public Testimony Sheet and Handout](#)
- C4** [GF 17-076](#) BSAI Groundfish SAFE Report and 2018/2019 Harvest Specifications

Attachments:

[C4 Action Memo](#)
[BSAI SAFE Introduction \(hyperlink\)](#)
[Stock Assessment Chapters \(hyperlink\)](#)
[BSAI Ecosystem Considerations \(hyperlink\)](#)
[C4a Table1 OFL-ABC 2018-2019](#)
[C4b Joint GF Plan Team minutes Nov-2017](#)
[C4b BSAI GF Plan Team minutes Nov-2017](#)
[C4c Pcod GHl-maxTAC 2018-2019](#)
[C4d Tables14-17 PSC Apportionments 2018-2019](#)
[C4e Table12 Halibut DMRs 2018-2019](#)
[C4 BSAI Plan Team Report \[SSC only\].pdf](#)
[C4 Joint Plan Team Report Presentation](#)
[C4 EBSPollock Presentation](#)
[HANDOUT: C4 Herring Biomass Estimate](#)
[HANDOUT: Updated C4d Table14](#)
[HANDOUT: Updated C4d Table15](#)
[HANDOUT: Updated C4c Pcod GHl-maxTAC](#)
[HANDOUT: 2017 Groundfish Closures](#)
[PRESENTATION: Ecosystem Considerations](#)
[PRESENTATION: BSAI PT Report](#)
[PRESENTATION: Joint GF PT](#)
[LINK: BSAI specs proposed rule](#)
[MOTION: C4 BSAI SPECS](#)
[C4 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

C5 [GF 17-077](#) GOA Groundfish SAFE Report and 2018/2019 Harvest Specifications

Attachments: [C5 Action Memo.pdf](#)
[GOA SAFE Introduction \(hyperlink\)](#)
[Stock Assessment Chapters \(hyperlink\)](#)
[GOA Ecosystem Consideration \(hyperlink\)](#)
[C5a GOA Table1 OFL-ABC 2018-2019](#)
[C5b GOA GF Plan Team minutes Nov 2017](#)
[C5c GOA State Pcod-Pollock Adjustments 2018-2019](#)
[C5d GOA Halibut PSC Limits 2018-2019](#)
[C5e GOA Table12 Halibut DMRs 2018-2019.pdf](#)
[HANDOUT: 2017 Groundfish Closures](#)
[LINK: GOA Specifications Proposed Rule](#)
[PRESENTATION: GOA PT](#)
[PRESENTATION: C5 Pcod](#)
[MOTION: C5](#)
[OUTREACH FLYER: Pcod TAC notice Dec.2017](#)
[C5 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

C6 [GF 17-078](#) Small Sideboards - Initial Review

Attachments: [C6 Action Memo](#)
[C6 AFA Small Sideboards Initial Review](#)
[MOTION: C6](#)

C7 [GF 17-079](#) Bering Sea Cod Trawl CV Participation - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [C7 Action Memo](#)
[C7 BS Pcod Trawl CV Participation](#)
[C7 Public Comment](#)
[HANDOUT: C7 Table 13](#)
[MOTION: C7](#)
[C7 Public Testimony Sheet and Handout](#)

D. OTHER ISSUES

D1 [BYC 17-017](#) Western GOA Pacific Cod A Season Halibut PSC Rates - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [D1 Action Memo](#)
[D1 WGOA PCod A Season Halibut PSC Rates discussion paper](#)
[D1 Public Comment](#)
[PRESENTATION: D1](#)
[MOTION: D1-4](#)
[MOTION: WGOA Fishery](#)
[D1 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

D2 [BYC 17-016](#) Western GOA Pollock C/D Season Timing Chinook PSC - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [D2 Action Memo](#)
[D2 WGOA Pollock C/D Season Chinook discussion paper](#)
[D2 Errata](#)
[D2 Public Comment](#)
[PRESENTATION: D2](#)
[MOTION: D1-4](#)
[MOTION: WGOA Fishery](#)
[D2 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

D3 [GF 17-082](#) Western GOA Pollock Trip Limits - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [D3 Action Memo](#)
[D3 Reducing WGOA Pollock Trip Limits](#)
[D3 Public Comment](#)
[MOTION: D1-4](#)
[MOTION: WGOA Fishery](#)
[D3 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

D4 [GF 17-083](#) Stranded Cod in GOA Trawl B Season - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [D4 Action Memo](#)
[D4 Stranded Cod in GOA Trawl B Season](#)
[D4 Public Comment](#)
[MOTION: D1-4](#)
[MOTION: WGOA Fishery.pdf](#)
[D4 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

D5 [GF 17-084](#) Fixed Gear CV Rockfish Retention - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [D5 Action Memo](#)
[D5 Full Rockfish Retention for Fixed Gear CVs](#)
[MOTION: D5](#)
[D5 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

D6 [BYC 17-019](#) Chinook Salmon Excluder EFP - Consultation

Attachments: [D6 Action Memo](#)
 [D6 Chinook Salmon Excluder EFP 2018](#)

E. STAFF TASKING

E1 [ID 17-026](#) Staff Tasking

Attachments: [E1 Action Memo](#)
 [E1 NPFMC List of Committees](#)
 [E1 Three-Meeting Outlook](#)
 [E1 Staff Tasking Status](#)
 [E1 Observer Analytical Tasking Status](#)
 [E1 Groundfish Workplan](#)
 [E Public Comment](#)
 [E Council Appointments for 2018](#)
 [Three-Meeting Outlook 12-21-17](#)
 [E Public Testimony Sheet](#)