

# North Pacific Fishery Management Council

Richard B. Lauber, Chairman  
Clarence G. Pautzke, Executive Director



605 West 4th Avenue, Suite 306  
Anchorage, AK 99501-2252

Telephone: (907) 271-2809

Fax: (907) 271-2817

#3-96

## NEWSLETTER

6/20/96

Visit our home page on the Internet at <http://www.fak.afsc.noaa.gov/npfmc/npfmc.htm> or you can find us listed on the National Marine Fisheries Service's home page!

### June Council Meeting in Portland — Short and Sweet!

The June meeting in Portland was highlighted by sunny weather, a congenial atmosphere, and an early adjournment. Originally scheduled to run through Saturday, the Council adjourned early on Friday afternoon after completing its agenda. An industry negotiated agreement on BSAI Pacific cod allocations, facilitated by Dave Hanson, contributed to the quick meeting. Details on this action are inside, as well as details on the Council's Improved Retention and Utilization (IR/IU) initiative, BSAI crab bycatch management, amendments to the sablefish and halibut IFQ program, and other items.

The Council will be meeting at the Centennial Building in Sitka the week of September 16-22. To assist you in making plans to attend the meeting, attached is a list of accommodations including hotels, motels, bed and breakfasts and apartments/houses.

### Improved Retention and Utilization

At this meeting, the Council reviewed a draft analysis for the BSAI Improved Retention and Utilization (IR/IU) initiative, and approved release of the document for public review, with a final decision still expected at the September meeting in Sitka, Alaska. That program focuses on pollock, Pacific cod, yellowfin sole, and rock sole in all BSAI groundfish fisheries, with a potential phase-in period for the flatfish species. Minor revisions and additions are being made to the document prior to release on or about July 8. The Council action called for solicitation of public comment on the draft analysis, with particular attention on the following areas:

1. Potential target fishery switching caused by IR/IU (and associated PSC implications).
2. Effects of IR/IU on VIP rates.
3. Extent of conflict between IR/IU requirements and vessel upgrade restrictions in the moratorium and License Limitation programs.
4. Monitoring and enforcement, particularly of the utilization portion of the program.

The Council action also calls for public comments to be assimilated, and then reviewed by the IR/IU

#### IN THIS NEWSLETTER

|  |                |
|--|----------------|
| JUNE COUNCIL MEETING .....               | 1              |
| IMPROVED RETENTION/UTILIZATION .....     | 1              |
| BSAI CRAB BYCATCH MANAGEMENT .....       | 2              |
| BSAI PACIFIC COD ALLOCATION .....        | 3              |
| HALIBUT CHARTER RFP .....                | 4              |
| SABLEFISH/HALIBUT IFQ PROGRAM .....      | 4              |
| BAN ON NIGHT TRAWL FOR PACIFIC COD ..... | 6              |
| CALL FOR PROPOSALS .....                 | 6              |
| OVERFISHING DEFINITION .....             | 7              |
| MEETING SCHEDULE 1996-1999 .....         | 7              |
| CALL FOR GROUNDFISH & IFQ PROPOSALS ..   | Attachment I   |
| FOUR MEETING OUTLOOK .....               | Attachment II  |
| SITKA - LIST OF ACCOMMODATIONS .....     | Attachment III |

industry committee established by the Council. The Committee will then forward its own comments to the Council prior to the September meeting. The Committee will likely meet in early September and review any comments received by that time. Analyses also will be developed for a potential IR/IU program for the Gulf of Alaska—this will likely occur during the fall with concurrent implementation possible for 1998. For a copy of the BSAI IR/IU document please contact the Council offices. For further details or specific questions, Chris Oliver is the staff contact.

### BSAI Crab Bycatch Management

The Council remains concerned about the depressed status of Bristol Bay red king crab. At its June meeting, the Council took final action on several measures to protect this stock from possible impacts due to groundfish fisheries. First, the Council rescinded its previous action on Amendment 37, and recommended a year-round closure to non-pelagic trawling in the Red King Crab Savings Area (162° to 164° W, 56° to 57° N). An extended duration of the closure period provides for increased protection of adult red king crab and their habitat. To allow some access to productive rock sole fishing areas, the area bounded by 56° to 56° 10' N latitude would remain open during the years in which a guideline harvest level for Bristol Bay red king crab is established. A separate bycatch limit for this area would be established at no more than 35% of the red king crab prohibited species catch (PSC) limits apportioned to the rock sole fishery.

To protect juvenile red king crab and critical rearing habitat, the Council recommended that all trawling be prohibited on a year-round basis in the nearshore waters of Bristol Bay. Specifically, the area east of 162° W (i.e., all of Bristol Bay) would be closed to trawling, with the exception of an area bounded by 159° to 160° W and 58° to 58° 43' N that would remain open to trawling during the period April 1 to June 15 each year. It was felt that such a closure area would protect known areas of juvenile red king crab habitat while at the same time allow trawling in an area that can have high catches of flatfish and low bycatch of other species. The area north of 58° 43' N was closed to reduce bycatch of herring, and also of halibut, which move into the nearshore area in June. In addition to establishing nearshore trawl closure areas, the Council also recommended that NMFS rescind regulations allowing trawling for Pacific cod in the area off Port Moller, as these regulations are out of date given the current status of red king crab and scientific knowledge of critical habitat.

The third management measure adopted by the Council was a reduction of PSC limits for red king crab taken in trawl fisheries. Specifically, the Council recommended adoption of a stairstep-based PSC limit for red king crab in Zone 1. PSC limits would be based on abundance of Bristol Bay red king crab as follows:

| <u>Abundance</u>   | <u>Zone 1 PSC limit</u> |
|--|-------------------------|
| Below Threshold = 8.4 million mature crabs<br>+ Effective Spawning Biomass (ESB)<br>< 14.5 million lb. | 35,000 crabs            |
| Above Threshold + ESB < 55 million lbs   | 100,000 crabs           |
| ESB > 55 million lb  | 200,000 crabs           |

The Council did not make any recommendations regarding PSC limits for Tanner and snow crabs. Rather, the Council will form an industry workgroup to review proposed PSC limits for these crab species. The workgroup will also review allocation of crab PSC among trawl fisheries to gain an understanding of how proposed actions may affect PSC use. The workgroup report to the Council in September before final action on the proposed Tanner and snow crab PSC limits. The workgroup will be chaired by Dave Hanson and will consist of three crabbers, three trawlers, and one shoreside processor representative. Nominations are requested at the Council office by June 30.

Discussion of crab bycatch management highlighted the need for additional information and future assessment of management actions. The Council recommended that all vessels (including vessels using pot and longline gear) fishing for groundfish in the Red King Crab Savings Area and the 159° to 160° W area require 100% observer coverage. In addition, the Council recommended that closure areas and crab PSC limits be re-evaluated on a regular basis because crab abundance and distribution change over time. Staff contact is Dave Witherell.

### Council Approves Negotiated Allocation of Pacific Cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands

The Council approved the agreement negotiated by affected industry groups allocating Pacific cod in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands. Under the agreement, 51% of the Pacific cod TAC will be allocated to fixed gear, 47% to trawl gear and 2% to jig gear. If approved by the Secretary of Commerce, the allocation should be in effect beginning in 1997, with a review by the Council scheduled in four years. The specific provisions of the agreement as approved by the Council are shown in the box below. Staff contact is Marcus Hartley.

#### **Pacific Cod Allocations in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands**

1) **TAC Apportionments:**

The trawl sector will be allocated 47% of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Pacific cod TAC. The trawl apportionment will be split between catcher vessels and catcher processors 50/50.

The fixed gear sector will be allocated 51% of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Pacific cod TAC.

The jig gear sector will be allocated 2% of the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands Pacific cod TAC.

2) **Rollovers:**

On September 15 of each year, the Regional Director shall reallocate 100% of any projected unused amount of the Pacific cod allocated to jig vessels to the fixed gear vessels.

If, during a fishing year, the Regional Director determines that vessels using trawl gear or hook-and line or pot gear will not be able to harvest the entire amount of Pacific cod allocated to those vessels, then NMFS shall reallocate the projected unused amount of Pacific cod to vessels using the other gear type(s).

3) **Halibut PSC Mortality Caps:**

The trawl halibut PSC mortality cap for Pacific cod will be no greater than 1,600 mt.

The hook-and-line gear halibut PSC mortality cap for Pacific cod will be no greater than 900 mt.

4) **Review:**

There is no sunset provision, but the Council will review this agreement in four years following the date of implementation.

## Halibut Charter Boat Management

The Council initiated consideration of management alternatives for the halibut sport/charter fishery in 1994, establishing several alternatives to be studied, including a moratorium on further entry into the charter boat fishery and a potential allocation between sport and commercial halibut fisheries off Alaska. With funding and staff finally becoming available to proceed with the study, the Council revisited the scope of this initiative and the specific alternatives to be studied. At this meeting, the Council narrowed the scope of study by eliminating consideration of the unguided sport fishery, and by eliminating development of an IFQ program for the charter boat industry. Four major alternatives remain: Alternative 1 is the status quo. This option will not change the current management practices. Alternative 2 would implement federal reporting requirements on the guided halibut charter industry. This option may be implemented along with any of the management options selected by the Council.

Alternative 3 would annually allocate the guided fleet (includes charter boats, lodges, and outfitters) 105% to 140% of their actual 1994 or 1995 catch. No caps would be placed on the unguided sport fleet under this alternative. The IPHC would take into account the halibut that would be needed for the unguided sport fishery and the allocation to the guided sport industry, with the remaining Total Allowable Catch (TAC) made available to the commercial fleet. A moratorium on new entry into the guided halibut industry is included under this alternative—the moratorium could be implemented with or without the explicit cap. Alternative 4, though not an IFQ program in itself, would allow the guided charter industry to lease or purchase poundage from the existing commercial IFQ program, for continued operation if the cap (under Alternative 3) is reached in a given year.

Part of the overall analysis of alternatives is expected to be done under contract to an outside consultant. The Council recommended that a Request for Proposals (RFP) be released by July 1, 1996. The contractor selected will be expected to develop a methodology and proposal to determine the economic value of the halibut charter industry (which includes lodges, outfitters, and guided halibut charter operations), analyze the potential impacts of placing a poundage cap on the charter fleet, and study the impacts of placing a moratorium on entry into the fishery at the 1994, 1995, or 1996 participation levels. The desired timeline is for completion of the contracted study by January 10, 1997. Under this timeline, an RFP will be issued by July 1, and proposals must be received at the Council office by August 7, 1996. The contract would be awarded by August 20. After the contract is awarded, a progress report will be due during December 1996, and the final report will be due January 10, 1997.

The RFP will allow for bidders to submit alternative timelines for completion if it is felt that a January 10, 1997 deadline is insufficient for completion of the study. When released, copies of the RFP will be available from the Council office. Under the timelines outlined above, the Council may take action on this issue as early as April of 1997. Council staff contact is Chris Oliver or Jane DiCosimo.

## Sablefish and Halibut IFQ Program

The Council approved a regulatory amendment to increase the Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands (Area 4) halibut quota share use caps to 1½ percent from the status quo limit of ½ percent of the total amount of halibut QS for regulatory areas 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, and 4E, combined. Industry had reported that the ½ percent cap was insufficient to justify the expense of traveling to remote areas in the western Aleutian Islands and Bering Sea to harvest halibut and does not allow initial issues to harvest halibut in a manner consistent with their historic participation in the fishery. The ½ percent cap amounted to 26,500 lb based on combined Area 4 1994 TACs and 23,610 lb based on 1995 and 1996 TACs. Most QS, however, is distributed among multiple areas, further exacerbating the problem of low use caps.

The 1½ percent cap would raise the use cap to 495,044 units for the 513 Area 4 QS holders. The increased cap will allow 13 persons who had been previously constrained to increase their holdings. Nine individuals remain above the recommended cap. Implementation is planned for the 1997 IFQ fishing season. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

#### IFQ Amendment Update

Amendment 33/37 to prohibit the use of halibut catcher vessel QS on freezer/longliners and allow the freezing on non-IFQ species while harvesting sablefish catcher vessel QS on freezer/longliners was approved by the Secretary of Commerce on June 13, 1996. The final rule implementing this amendment will be effective 30 days after publication in the *Federal Register*.

The Omnibus II regulatory amendment included eight regulatory changes and was submitted to the Secretary of Commerce on March 22, 1996. The final rule is under preparation.

Amendment 42/42 to allow QS assigned to larger vessel categories to be used on smaller vessels was submitted to the Secretary on June 4, 1996. The Council recommended that the 30-day cooling off period be waived since the effective date of the final rule would occur on October 11, late in the fishing season during potentially dangerous weather for the small boats that would wish to fish under the new rule. The waiver would result in an effective date of September 12.

The proposed rule for a regulatory amendment to extend the sablefish IFQ season in the Aleutian Islands is pending at the NMFS Regional office. The amendment is expected to be submitted in time for implementation for an extension of the 1996 season beginning on November 16 for the Aleutian Islands regulatory area.

The proposed rule for a regulatory amendment to allow the use of pot longlines in the IFQ sablefish Bering Sea regulatory area is also pending at the NMFS Regional office. The Council has requested that this amendment be fast-tracked to allow for implementation during the current IFQ fishing season.

The proposed rule for Amendment 43/43 to increase the halibut and sablefish sweep-up amounts is also pending. This amendment is scheduled for implementation for the 1997 IFQ season.

#### Groundfish Amendment Update

A regulatory amendment to require groundfish processors to utilize electronic recordkeeping and reporting was approved for public review and will be available from the Council office on July 15. The amendment would require groundfish processors in the BSAI and GOA that are subject to observer coverage to use NMFS-supplied software to electronically record harvest and processing activities on computer equipment. Conventional logbooks and associated NMFS reports would be replaced by electronic versions. At-sea processors would be required to transmit in-season NMFS reports using Inmarsat satellite equipment and shore-based processors would be required to use modems and phone systems. All processors using the electronic reporting system would be required to have a computer-operated printer to make paper copies of electronic logbook pages and transmitted reports at the processing site.

The NMFS electronic reporting system would be implemented in two stages. Phase 1 would consist of electronic versions of the daily production, weekly production, and check-in/check-out reports and would be implemented in early 1997. Phase 2 would consist of electronic logbooks, vessel activity reports, and product transfer reports and would be implemented in 1998. An earlier phase, approved by the Council in June 1995, to facilitate the reporting of observer data will also be implemented in early 1997. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

GOA Amendment 45 to annually apportion seasonal allocations of pollock TAC for combined GOA Western and Central regulatory areas was approved by the Secretary on May 20 and will become effective on July 1. The final rule combines the third and fourth quarterly allowances of pollock TAC in the W/C area into a single seasonal allowance that will become available on September 1. While the Council recommended a third trimester opening date of September 1 for the Central area and October 1 for the Western area, NMFS received extensive public comment from Western area-based fishermen and processors, that if their opening is delayed to October, they will be preempted by larger and more numerous Bering Sea-based vessels, and they also expressed safety concerns with an October 1 opening in the Western area. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

GOA Amendment 38 to amend the Pacific ocean perch rebuilding plan was submitted to the Secretary on June 19, 1996. It is scheduled for implementation prior to setting final groundfish quotas for the 1997 fishing year. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

A regulatory amendment to restrict fishing seaward of the EEZ was approved by the Council in January 1995. All federally permitted vessels would be required to carry onboard a fully functional and operable transponder when en route to and when fishing in waters seaward of the EEZ off Alaska. The final rule is pending in the NMFS Regional office. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

### Ban on Night Trawling for Pacific Cod

The Council once again discussed a proposed ban on night trawling for Pacific cod (in the BSAI) in order to reduce halibut bycatch. Additional analyses are being conducted by scientists at the Alaska Fisheries Science Center and will be included in an overall analysis for initial review at the September Council meeting. The Council also identified the following specific issues to be examined in the analysis:

1. Night would be defined as 11:00 pm until 5:00 am.
2. A check-in requirement for the cod fisheries will be examined to help deal with enforcement concerns.
3. Halibut bycatch rates should be examined by specific areas for possible differential treatment. The three areas will be the Eastern Bering Sea (horseshoe area), the Aleutians, and north of the Pribilof Islands.
4. Enforcement issues regarding what constitutes a violation; for example, doors on surface, bag in water, cod on board, and short-wiring.

Staff contact is David Witherell.

### Call for Groundfish & Halibut/Sablefish IFQ Proposals

It is that time of year when the Council begins its annual groundfish cycle and issues a call for proposals. Attached is a blank form for submitting regulatory and plan amendment proposals. Proposals for amending the groundfish FMPs are due by August 15 and will be reviewed by the Council at the September meeting. The Council also has developed a specific (and slightly different) cycle for amendments to the sablefish/halibut IFQ program. This cycle calls for proposals over the summer which will be forwarded to the IFQ Industry Implementation Team in September or October for review. Their recommendations will be reviewed by the Council at the December meeting. The analysis of IFQ proposals identified for further development will be presented the following April, with final action at the June meeting.

There is a separate form for IFQ proposals attached. Again, the deadline is August 15. Staff contact is Jane DiCosimo.

## Overfishing Definition

The Council adopted a more conservative overfishing definition under Amendment 44/44 to the BSAI and GOA fishery management plans. Overfishing is a level or rate of fishing mortality that jeopardizes the long-term capacity of a stock to produce maximum sustainable yield on a continuing basis. The new definition would institute new safeguards against overly aggressive harvest rates, particularly under conditions of high uncertainty or low stock size. The proposed alternative sets a maximum allowable fishing rate as prescribed through a set of six tiers corresponding to information availability. A buffer will be maintained between acceptable biological catch (ABC) and the overfishing level. Under current stock conditions, ABC's would be reduced for flatfish, sablefish, and many rockfish species in both the GOA and BSAI areas. Impacts on total allowable catch would be much less, but will result in lower catch limits (8 to 15%) for GOA sablefish and some rockfish species. The revised ABC and overfishing definition will be used for establishing 1997 catch specifications, pending approval by the Secretary. Staff contact is Dave Witherell.

---

---

### North Pacific Fishery Management Council

#### Tentative Meeting Schedules - 1996-99\*

|      | February<br>Week of/<br>Location | April<br>Week of/<br>Location | June<br>Week of/<br>Location | September<br>Week of/<br>Location | December<br>Week of/<br>Location |
|------|----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 1996 |                                  |                               |                              | 16/Sitka                          | 9/Anchorage                      |
| 1997 | 3/Anchorage                      | 14/Anchorage                  | 16/Kodiak                    | 22/Seattle                        | 8/Anchorage                      |
| 1998 | 2/Anchorage                      | 20/Anchorage                  | 15/Sitka                     | 21/Seattle                        | 7/Anchorage                      |
| 1999 | 1/Anchorage                      | 19/Anchorage                  | 14/Kodiak                    | 20/Seattle                        | 6/Anchorage                      |

\* Meeting dates are subject to change depending on availability of meeting space. Any changes will be published in the Council's newsletter.

Visit our home page on the Internet at  
<http://www.fak.afsc.noaa.gov/npfmc/npfmc.htm>  
or you can find us listed on the National Marine Fisheries Service's home page!

June 20, 1996

ATTACHMENT I

## **CALL FOR GROUND FISH PROPOSALS**

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council invites proposals to amend groundfish fishery management plans (FMPs) to address pertinent fishery management problems and concerns. The Council has an annual amendment cycle and has formulated criteria for determination of completeness of proposals. To be eligible for Council consideration, proposals must satisfy the criteria outlined below.

**PLEASE BE CERTAIN TO COMPLETE ALL PORTIONS OF THIS FORM. SUBMIT THE FORM AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO THE COUNCIL OFFICES BY AUGUST 15. ADDITIONAL SHEETS SHOULD BE ADDED TO THIS FORM AS NECESSARY.**

**Instructions:** Although some requirements may be self-evident, the following summarizes Council expectations for each.

**Brief Statement of Proposal** - Provide a single, brief paragraph concisely describing the action to be taken. Details should be specified on additional sheets.

**Objectives of Proposal** - Begin with a concise statement of the problem to be solved by the proposal. Attach sheets as necessary to fully describe the problem, and the implementation to American fisheries if the problem is not resolved.

**Justification for Council Action** - Briefly explain why action by the Council is necessary to address and solve the problem. Is there any other way the problem can be resolved?

**Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal** - Briefly outline the effects you think the proposed amendment will have, not only in solving the problem but also to other sectors of the fishery.

**Possible Alternative Solutions** - Even if Council action is required, there is probably more than one solution to the problem you have identified. Briefly list possible alternatives to the proposed action that the Council could consider.

**Supportive Data and Other Information** - Please provide any relevant data or other information available to you.

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council welcomes recommendations that will improve the management procedures used to regulate fisheries in the EEZ. Submission of a completed amendment proposal will enhance our ability to respond in a rapid and equitable fashion. Proposals will be reviewed by the Council at their September meeting in Sitka (the week of September 16th).

For further information on groundfish proposals, please contact David Witherell or Jane DiCosimo at (907) 271-2809.



**GROUND FISH FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN AMENDMENT PROPOSAL**  
**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**

**Name of Proposer:**

**Date:**

**Address:**

**Telephone:**

**Fishery Management Plan:**

**Brief Statement of Proposal:**

**Objectives of Proposal: (What is the problem?)**

**Need and Justification for Council Action: (Why can't the problem be resolved through other channels?)**

**Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal: (Who wins, who loses?)**

**Are there Alternative Solutions? If so, what are they and why do you consider your proposal the best way of solving the problem?**

**Supportive Data & Other Information: What data are available and where can they be found?**

**Signature:**

June 20, 1996

## CALL FOR IFQ PROPOSALS

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council invites proposals to amend regulations implementing the IFQ program for halibut and sablefish. The Council has adopted an annual amendment cycle and has formulated criteria for determination of completeness of proposals. To be eligible for Council consideration, proposals must satisfy the criteria outlined below.

**PLEASE BE CERTAIN TO COMPLETE ALL PORTIONS OF THIS FORM. SUBMIT THE FORM AND SUPPORTING MATERIALS TO THE COUNCIL OFFICE BY AUGUST 15. ADDITIONAL SHEETS SHOULD BE ADDED TO THIS FORM AS NECESSARY.**

**Instructions:** Although some requirements may be self-evident, the following summarizes Council expectations for each.

**Brief Statement of Proposal** - Provide a single, brief paragraph concisely describing the action to be taken. Details should be specified on additional sheets.

**Objectives of Proposal** - Begin with a concise statement of the problem to be solved by the proposal. Attach sheets as necessary to fully describe the problem, and the implementation to American fisheries if the problem is not resolved.

**Justification for Council Action** - Briefly explain why action by the Council is necessary to address and solve the problem. Is there any other way the problem can be resolved?

**Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal** - Briefly outline the effects you think the proposed amendment will have, not only in solving the problem but also to other sectors of the fishery.

**Possible Alternative Solutions** - Even if Council action is required, there is probably more than one solution to the problem you have identified. Briefly list possible alternatives to the proposed action that the Council could consider.

**Supportive Data and Other Information** - Please provide any relevant data or other information available to you.

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council welcomes recommendations that will improve the management procedures used to regulate fisheries in the EEZ. Submission of a completed amendment proposal will enhance our ability to respond in a rapid and equitable fashion. Proposals will be reviewed by the Council at their December meeting in Anchorage (the week of December 9th).

For further information on IFQ proposals, please contact Jane DiCosimo at (907) 271-2809.

**IFQ PROPOSAL**  
**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**

**Name of Proposer:**

**Date:**

**Address:**

**Telephone:**

**Brief Statement of Proposal:**

**Objectives of Proposal: (What is the problem?)**

**Need and Justification for Council Action: (Why can't the problem be resolved through other channels?)**

**Foreseeable Impacts of Proposal: (Who wins, who loses?)**

**Are there Alternative Solutions? If so, what are they and why do you consider your proposal the best way of solving the problem?**

**Supportive Data & Other Information: What data are available and where can they be found?**

**Signature:**

**NPFMC: Four-Meeting Outlook\***

ATTACHMENT II

| Sept '96<br>16/Sitka  | Dec '96<br>9/Anchorage  | Feb '97<br>3/Anchorage  | Apr '97<br>14/Anchorage   |
|---|---|---|---|
| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IFQ Socio-Economics Studies Report</li> <li>• IFQ Proposals: Forward to Committee</li> <li>• BSAI Ecosystem Report (Bob Francis)</li> <li>• Ecosystem Committee Report</li> <li>• Halibut Sport Charter Management: Status Report</li> <li>• Observer Program: Status Report</li> <br/> <li>• BSAI Bairdi &amp; Opilio Bycatch Caps: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• BSAI IR/IU: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• Night Trawl Ban: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <br/> <li>• GOA/BSAI SAFEs &amp; Groundfish Specs: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• Groundfish Proposals: Task Staff</li> <br/> <li>• Forage Fish Prohibition: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• Turbot DFS Change: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• Pelagic Shelf Rockfish: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• Pacific cod "C" Season: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Electronic Reporting Requirements: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Scallop Management: Update on FMP &amp; Moratorium</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• IFQ: RAM Season Wrap-up Report</li> <li>• IFQ: Implementation Team Report</li> <li>• IFQ Proposals: Task Staff</li> <br/> <li>• Ecosystem Committee Report</li> <li>• Halibut Sport Charter Management: Status Report</li> <li>• Observer Program: <i>Initial Review</i> (review alternatives for Modified Program)</li> <br/> <li>• Night Trawl Ban: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• GOA/BSAI SAFEs &amp; Groundfish Specs: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• Forage Fish Prohibition: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Turbot DFS Change: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Pelagic Shelf Rockfish: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Research Priorities: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• DSR License Limitation: <i>Initial Review</i></li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Halibut Sport Charter Management: <i>Initial Review</i> of analyses</li> <li>• Observer Program: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• GOA Crab Bycatch Report</li> <br/> <li>• VBAs<sup>1/</sup>: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• GOA IR/IU: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <li>• Limited Processing for Catcher Vessels: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <br/> <li>• GOA/BSAI Grdfsh &amp; Crab FMP Updates: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• Research Priorities: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• DSR License Limitation: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• Marine Mammal/Sea Life Ctr Report</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Area 4 Catch Sharing Plan: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <br/> <li>• IFQ Amendments: <i>Initial Review</i></li> <br/> <li>• Halibut Sport Charter Management: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• VBAs<sup>1/</sup>: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• GOA IR/IU: <i>Final Action</i></li> <li>• Limited Processing for Catcher Vessels: <i>Final Action</i></li> <br/> <li>• Groundfish Amendments: <i>Initial Review</i></li> </ul> |
|   | <p><b>20th Anniversary Celebration</b></p>  | <p><b>Joint Meeting w/BOF on Crab Issues</b></p>  | <p><b>IPHC/Council Joint Meeting</b></p>  |

<sup>1/</sup> Depends on Magnuson Act amendments as do the following: further work on groundfish/crab ITQs, central lien registry, 3% fee on CDQs and IFQs, loan guarantee program for small boat and entry level halibut/sablefish fishermen.

\* Note: This tentative timeline will be updated periodically, particularly after each Council meeting, as the Council works through its decision process.

# 1996 Guide to Accommodations Sitka, Alaska

ATTACHMENT III

*\* Indicates members of the Sitka Convention and Visitors Bureau*

| Number of Rooms | Price Range | Restaurant | Private Bath | Shared Bath | Suites | Phone in Room | TV in Room | Kitchenette | Pets Allowed | Fishing / Boating |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------|---------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------|---------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|

**Additional Information**

## Hotels and Motels

4/30/96

|   |             |             |  |       |  |  |         |  |   |   |   |
|---|-------------|-------------|--|-------|--|--|---------|--|---|---|---|
| <b>Cascade Inn and Boat Charters*</b><br>2035 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-6804 · (907) 747-6572 fax | 10<br><br>  | 75 -<br>125 |  | Y     |  |  | Y Y Y   |  |   | Y | Rooms offer a private balcony w/oceanfront view. Cable TV & VCR. Free local calls/ice. Video/convenience store on premises. 1-800-532-0908.     |
| <b>Potlatch Motel*</b><br>713 Katlian Street<br>(907) 747-8611 · (907) 747-5810 fax                     | 30<br>      | 75 -<br>145 |  | Y Y   |  |  | Y Y Y Y |  |   | Y | Courtesy van service to and from the airport, ferry terminal and downtown area. Cocktail lounge.  |
| <b>Sitka Hotel*</b><br>118 Lincoln Street<br>(907) 747-3288 · (907) 747-8499 fax                        | 55<br><br>  | 45 -<br>60  |  | Y Y Y |  |  | Y Y Y Y |  |   | Y | Downtown location. Recently remodeled. Free local calls and free ice. Coin-operated laundry and after check-out luggage storage available.      |
| <b>Super 8 Motel*</b><br>404 Sawmill Creek Blvd.<br>(907) 747-8804 phone & fax                          | 35<br><br>  | 69 -<br>103 |  | Y     |  |  | Y Y Y   |  | Y |   | Spa and coin laundry facilities open 24 hours. Meeting room capacity for 10 - 12 people. Pets allowed with deposit.                             |
| <b>Westmark Shee Atika*</b><br>330 Seward Street<br>(907) 747-6241 · (907) 747-5486 fax                 | 101<br><br> | 98 -<br>131 |  | Y Y   |  |  | Y Y Y   |  |   | Y | Downtown location close to shopping and visitor attractions. Meeting facilities available for up to 120 people. Room service available. Lounge. |

## Bed and Breakfasts

|   |       |            |   |     |   |         |         |   |   |   |   |
|---|-------|------------|---|-----|---|---------|---------|---|---|---|---|
| <b>AAA Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>P.O. Box 556<br>(907) 747-1076                                   | 2<br> | 60 -<br>80 | C | Y   |   | Y Y Y Y |         |   |   |   | Central location within walking distance of downtown restaurants and visitor attractions. TV & VCR. Phone in each room. Private entrance.       |
| <b>A&amp;B Bed and Breakfast</b><br>2405 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-8778                     | 1<br> | 50 -<br>60 | C | Y   |   |         | Y       |   |   |   |   |
| <b>Abner's Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>200 Seward Street<br>(907) 747-8779                          | 1<br> | 43 -<br>54 | F | Y   |   |         |         | Y |   |   | Listed on the National Register of Historic Places. Downtown location.  |
| <b>Alaska Ocean View Bed &amp; Breakfast*</b><br>1101 Edgumbe Drive<br>(907) 747-8310 phone & fax | 3<br> | 59 -<br>99 | F | Y Y |   |         | Y Y Y Y |   |   |   | Spa, VCR. Queen & King beds w/down comforters, robes. Alaskan library & business center. Gourmet coffee & breakfast. 1-800-800-6870 x520.       |
| <b>Annahootz Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>P.O. Box 2870<br>(907) 747-6498 / 1-800-746-6498 fax       | 2<br> | 75         | C | Y   |   |         | Y Y Y Y |   |   |   | One bedroom suites featuring private entrances, mini kitchens, and private baths. Within walking distance of downtown attractions.              |
| <b>Archangel Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>200 New Archangel Street<br>(907) 747-6538                 | 1<br> | 65         | C | Y   |   |         | Y       |   |   | Y | Central location, within walking distance to downtown. Queen size bed. Homemade bread and gourmet coffee.                                       |
| <b>Bed Inn 518</b><br>518 Monastery Street<br>(907) 747-3305                                      | 2<br> | 50 -<br>60 | F |     | Y |         | Y Y     |   | Y |   |   |
| <b>Biorka Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>611 Biorka Street<br>(907) 747-3111                           | 2<br> | 60 -<br>70 | F | Y   |   |         | Y Y     |   |   |   | Within walking distance to visitor attractions. Rooms offer quiet elegance, private baths, and private entry. Full breakfast delivered to room. |

**F** = Full Breakfast **C** = Continental Breakfast

\* Indicates members of the Sitka Convention and Visitors Bureau.

Number of Rooms  
Price Range  
Restaurant  
Private Bath  
Shared Bath  
Suites  
Phone in Room  
TV in Room  
Kitchenette  
Pets Allowed  
Fishing / Boating

Additional Information

Bed and Breakfasts (cont...)

|  |        |         |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |  |
|--|--------|---------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Brownies Bed and Breakfast</b><br>2038 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-5402               | 2      | 60+     | C | Y |   |   |   |   |   | Y | Y |  |
| <b>By the Sea Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>1713 Edgcombe Drive<br>(907) 747-3993                | 2<br>Ⓢ | 60      | C |   | Y |   |   |   |   |   |   | Family room with TV available to guests as well as a sink area with coffee maker, microwave, and toaster.  |
| <b>Creeks Edge Guest House*</b><br>PO Box 2941 * 109 Cascade Creek Rd.<br>(907) 747-6484     | 3      | 55 - 95 | F | Y | Y |   | Y | Y |   |   |   | Enjoy a perfect view of spectacular Mt. Edgcombe. Rooms are decorated with antiques and feather beds, reminiscent of days gone by.               |
| <b>Eagle's Landing Bed &amp; Breakfast*</b><br>3005 Barker Street<br>(907) 747-5936          | 2<br>Ⓢ | 65-80   | C |   | Y |   |   | Y |   |   |   | Log home overlooking Sitka Sound and Kruzoff Island. Available May 15 - September 15.  |
| <b>Forget-Me-Not Bed and Breakfast</b><br>702 Pherson Street<br>(907) 747-6813               | 2<br>Ⓢ | 59-85   | F | Y | Y |   |   | Y |   |   | Y |  |
| <b>Gavan Hill Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>P.O. Box 1694<br>(907) 747-6633 · (907) 747-3208 Fax | 1<br>Ⓢ | 65 - 75 | C | Y |   | Y | Y | Y |   |   |   | Quiet neighborhood 1 mile from town. Microwave, coffee, W/D & refrigerator. Twin or King size beds. Homemade streusel & cinnamon rolls.          |
| <b>Hannah's Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>104 Monastery Street<br>(907) 747-8309                 | 2<br>Ⓢ | 55-65   | C | Y |   | Y |   |   |   |   | Y | Downtown location. Fishing and sightseeing trips available. Private bath and private entrance.   |
| <b>Helga's Bed and Breakfast</b><br>2821 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-5497                | 5      | 50-60   | F | Y | Y |   | Y | Y | Y | Y | Y |  |
| <b>Jerry's Waterfront B &amp; B*</b><br>2037 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-7265            | 2<br>Ⓢ | 45-60   | F | Y | Y |   |   | Y |   |   |   | Open May - October. Use of waterfront deck, barbecue & microwave included. Room overlooks the Pacific Ocean. Senior discount available.          |
| <b>Karras Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>230 Kogwanton Street<br>(907) 747-3978                   | 4<br>Ⓢ | 50-80   | F |   | Y | Y |   |   | Y |   |   | Downtown location close to shopping and attractions. Full breakfast served. Microwave, refrigerator, and coffee maker available.                 |
| <b>Mountain View Bed and Breakfast</b><br>201 Cascade Creek Road<br>(907) 747-8966           | 5<br>Ⓢ | 60-70   | C | Y | Y |   | Y | Y |   |   |   |  |
| <b>Pacific Sunset Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>P.O. Box 2514<br>(907) 747-1020                  | 2      | 65-75   | F | Y | Y |   | Y | Y |   |   |   | Open April - November. Sitting room offers a beautiful view of Mt. Edgcombe. \$75 room has coffee pot, refrigerator, private bath and twin beds. |
| <b>Puffin Bed and Breakfast</b><br>506 Verstovia Street<br>(907) 747-3912                    | 1<br>Ⓢ | 50-60   | C | Y |   |   | Y | Y |   |   |   |  |
| <b>Seaview Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>P.O. Box 938<br>(907) 747-3908                          | 1<br>Ⓢ | 55-60   | C |   |   | Y | Y | Y | Y |   |   | Private entrance. Private bath, bedroom, and separate sitting area.  |
| <b>Seaside Bed and Breakfast*</b><br>2924 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-6066               | 2<br>Ⓢ | 75-95   | F | Y | Y |   | Y | Y |   |   |   | Breath-taking view of Sitka Sound and is within close walking distance of the beach. We have a covered porch, picnic tables, & private entrance. |

\* Indicates members of the Sitka Convention and Visitors Bureau.

| Number of Rooms | Price Range | Restaurant | Private Bath | Shared Bath | Suites | Phone in Room | TV in Room | Kitchenette | Pets Allowed | Fishing / Boating |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------|---------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|
|-----------------|-------------|------------|--------------|-------------|--------|---------------|------------|-------------|--------------|-------------------|

**Additional Information**

**Bed and Breakfasts (cont...)**

|  |        |       |   |   |  |   |   |  |  |  |  |
|--|--------|-------|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|
| <b>Vonnie's on Shelikof*</b><br>P.O. Box 741<br>(907) 747-6401 | 2<br>Ⓢ | 70-90 | C | Y |  | Y | Y |  |  |  | Convenient to downtown shopping and attractions. Free laundry. Sauna - Hot tub. Ocean view. Fire place. Transportation on request. |
|--|--------|-------|---|---|--|---|---|--|--|--|--|

**Apartments and Houses**

|  |        |                |  |   |  |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|--|--------|----------------|--|---|--|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| <b>A Crescent Harbor Hideaway*</b><br>709 Lincoln Street<br>(907) 747-4900 phone & fax             | 2<br>Ⓢ | 65-105         |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   | Y | Downtown waterfront restored historical home. Full apartment with private entrance and parking.   |
| <b>Aan Apartment*</b><br>710 Monastery #2<br>(907) 747-7242  | 1<br>Ⓢ | 85-100         |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   | Y | One bedroom furnished apartment. Freezer available. Sleeps up to six people. Smoking is allowed on outside balcony.                                   |
| <b>At Sandy Beach*</b><br>2166 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-6077 · (907) 747-5572 fax           | 1<br>Ⓢ | 75-80          |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   |   | Daily rentals available April - September. October - March monthly rental only. Washer/Dryer. Across from public beach. Sleeps 4.                     |
| <b>Bobbi's Inn*</b><br>717 "A" Street<br>(907) 747-6087 phone & fax                                | 2<br>Ⓢ | 80-100         |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y | Y |   | Easy walk to downtown, museums, & attractions. Private entrance. Use of freezer, microwave & barbecue. Pets on request. Weekly/winter rates.          |
| <b>Crescent Cottage*</b><br>719 Lincoln Street<br>(907) 747-3051                                   | 2<br>Ⓢ | 150 or 900 wk. |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   |   | Available May 15 - Sep 30. Two-story house with fully equipped gourmet kitchen, W/D, TV, VCR & freezer. Sleeps 6. \$150 per night, or \$900 per week. |
| <b>The Dacha · A Vacation Cottage*</b><br>304 Monastery<br>(907) 747-4872                          | 2<br>Ⓢ | 115 dbl. occ.  |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   |   | Within two blocks of Crescent Harbor, downtown, playground, & grocery store. W/D. VCR, freezer, & barbecue. Sleeps 8. Weekly/winter rates.            |
| <b>Frank &amp; Gloria's Place*</b><br>109 Sand Dollar Drive<br>(907) 747-8711 * (907) 747-8128 fax | 1<br>Ⓢ | 350-475 wk     |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   |   | Cheerful one bedroom furnished apartments. Complete kitchen, laundry. TV/VCR. Daily rates available. Monthly rates available Oct. - Mar.              |
| <b>Janet Scharp Rentals*</b><br>303 Charteris St.<br>(907) 747-5016                                | 1<br>Ⓢ | 50             |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y | Y |   | A condo-style apartment that can sleep up to 4. Special weekly rates, and competitive nightly rates. Use of barbecue, W/D, and hot tub.               |
| <b>Outercoast Guest House*</b><br>2008 Halibut Point Road<br>(907) 747-8114 phone & fax            | 4<br>Ⓢ | 75-100         |  | Y |  | Y | Y | Y |   | Y | Spectacular view of Sitka Sound. Sleeps 4. Outdoor hot tub. One mile from downtown. Shuttle service available.  |
| <b>Youth Hostel</b><br>303 Kimshan Street<br>(907) 747-8356  | Ⓢ      | 7-10           |  | Y |  |   |   |   |   |   | Seasonal operation (June through August). 20 beds.  |

Provided by:

Sitka Convention and Visitors Bureau  
P.O. Box 1226, Sitka, Alaska 99835  
(907) 747-5940 phone / (907) 747-3739 fax

\* Indicates members of the Sitka Convention and Visitors Bureau