

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT AGENDA
199th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
August 18-19 (20th Tentative), 2010
Aft-Deck
Hotel Captain Cook

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Hotel Captain Cook, 939 West 5th Avenue, Aft Deck, Anchorage, AK other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Scientific and Statistical Committee
Advisory Panel

Beginning

August 16-17 - 8am – 5pm – Aft Deck
August 17-18 - 8am – 5pm – Mid Deck

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 **Wednesday, August 11, 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) Oath of office for newly-appointed Council members.
- (b) Approval of Agenda

B-1 Steller Sea Lion Biological Opinion

- (a) Review the Draft SSL BiOp and draft EA/RIR for potential mitigation alternatives and take action as necessary.

C-1 Other Business

(T) = tentative

Total Hours: (16 hrs)

Draft Agenda and Schedule

August 2010

	SSC Aft Deck	AP Mid Deck	Council Aft Deck
Monday Aug 16	8:00 am B-1 Staff Reports		
	1:00 pm B-1 Staff reports Deliberations		
Tuesday Aug 17	8:00 am Continue	8:00 am B-1 Staff reports	
	1:00 pm Continue as necessary	1:00 pm Staff reports Deliberations	
Wednesday Aug 18		8:00 am Continue	8:00 am B-1 Staff reports
		1:00 pm Break for Stevens Service	1:00 pm Break for Stevens Service
		5:00pm Resume meeting	5:00 pm resume meeting (T) Deliberations
Thursday Aug 19			8:00am Continue
			1:00 Continue
Friday August 20			8:00 am Continue IF necessary
			1:00 pm Continue IF necessary Need to break by 4:00pm

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.