AGENDA

53rd Plenary Session NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL March 28 - April 1, 1983 Anchorage, Alaska

A. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

B. SPECIAL REPORTS

- B-1 Executive Director's Report
- B-2 Domestic Fisheries Report by Alaska Department of Fish and Game
- B-3 Foreign Fisheries Report by National Marine Fisheries Service
- B-4 Enforcement and Surveillance Report by U.S. Coast Guard
- B-5 Joint Venture Operations

C. NEW OR CONTINUING BUSINESS

C-1 Halibut Moratorium

Review of public comments on moratorium proposals. Council decision on form of moratorium.

C-2 Halibut Limited Entry

Council review of draft final report on halibut limited entry study of share system and alternatives. Approve report for public review. Set schedule for public presentations and further decision-making concerning halibut limited entry.

C-3 Foreign Permit Applications

Council review of permit requests for a Japanese longliner to receive sablefish from U.S. fishermen, Soviet joint venture for herring, a Japanese stern trawler permit, a Spanish joint venture for cod and pollock, and possibly a Portuguese operation.

C-4 Other Business

D. FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS

D-1 Salmon FMP

Review proposed U.S./Canada salmon interception treaty. Review proposals to the Board of Fisheries and proposals by PDT. Final action on OY and dates for 1983 fishing season.

D-2 Herring FMP

Review recommendations of Herring Workgroup; final Council action on FMP; action on Marine Resources Company request for offshore allocation.

D-3 King Crab FMP

Review of Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands king crab fisheries including reports on status of the stocks, regulatory proposals, results of the joint Council/Board hearing in Seattle, and status of the FMP. Discussion of king crab management with the Board.

D-4 Tanner Crab FMP

Report on the 1982 Tanner crab fisheries and projected outlook for 1983. Council/Board review of regulatory proposals and discussion of Tanner crab management.

E. CONTRACTS, PROPOSALS, AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

E-1 Status of Contracts

- (a) Final approval of Phase I report of study on fishermen's perceptions of halibut limited entry.
- (b) Contract 82-4: Halibut Limited Entry Study (Stokes) approval for public distribution.

E-2 FY 1983 Budget Review

F. PUBLIC COMMENTS

G. EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S MEETING SUMMARY, CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

DRAFT SPECIAL AGENDA

for

Joint Meeting Between The Alaska Board of Fisheries and The North Pacific Fisheries Management Council

March 29-30, 1983

Anchorage Westward Hilton Anchorage, Alaska

I. Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands King Crab and Tanner Crab off Alaska

- A. Staff Reports
 - 1. Review of Westward King and Tanner Crab Fisheries Eaton
 - 2. Results of NMFS Trawl Survey Otto
 - 3. Status of FMPs Davis
 - 4. Projected 1983 Harvest Level for Bristol Bay Reeves
 - 5. Review of Gulf of Alaska Tanner Crab Fisheries Gaffney
- B. Public Testimony
- C. Council/Board Discussion

II. U.S.-Canada Salmon Treaty Negotiations

III. Southeast Troll Salmon

- A. Staff Reports
 - ADF&G Seibel
 - 2. NPFMC Glock
 - 3. Salmon PDT -
- B. Public Testimony
- C. Council/Board Action

IV. Bering/Chuckchi Sea Herring

- A. Staff Reports
- B. Public Testimony
- C. Council/Board Discussion
- V. Exclusive Economic Zone

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DRAFT AGENDA

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE

March 23, 1983

The SSC will convene on Monday, March 28, 1983, at 9:30 a.m. in the Third Floor Conference Room of the Old Federal Building, 605 West Fourth Avenue, Anchorage, and will adjourn about 5:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 29.

Monday: 9:15 - 10:15 a.m.

1. Salmon FMP (D-1)

- (a) Review PDT's recommendations on ADF&G's proposed change of fishing year to July 1-June 30.
- (b) Review proposed changes to the U.S.-Canada treaty if available.

Monday: 10:15 a.m. - Noon

2. Herring FMP (D-2)

- (a) Review Workgroup recommendations on proposed changes to FMP (sent out as Item 7 in March 9 Council mailing).
- (b) Review PDT proposals for OY determination and design of research/experimental fishery.
- (c) Review Marine Resources request for offshore fishery. (See Item 6 of March 9 Council mailing.)

Monday: 1:15 - 2:30 p.m.

3. King Crab FMP (D-3)

- (a) Review PMT report on improvements necessary to the ABC/OY section of the FMP. (Sent as Item 5 in Council mailing.)
- (b) Review NMFS report on the current Brown king crab data base and possible size limits.
- (c) Consider PMT request that NMFS King Crab Survey results be made available at July meeting.

Monday: 2:30 - 3:30 p.m.

4. Tanner Crab FMP (D-4)

Review NMFS report on size at sexual maturity for \underline{C} . \underline{bairdi} north of 58°N latitude and discuss proposed reduction at \underline{C} . \underline{bairdi} size limit in this area.

Monday: 3:30 - 5:00 p.m. (Tuesday if necessary)

SSC meet in subgroups as necessary.

Tuesday Morning

SSC Complete discussion of FMPs and following items:

5. Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP (D-5)

Information only. The Japan Deep Sea Trawlers Association has requested that the pollock OY in the Central and Western Regulatory Areas be raised, based on the 1982 INPFC document by Alton and Deriso (Balsiger, ed., NWAFC, 1982). The request has been transmitted to the PMT who will report on the scientific basis for changing the OY in these areas at the May 1983 meeting. (See Item 13 of Council mailing.)

6. Research Proposals for FY 1984 (E-1 Supplement)

Initial screening of proposals to go to agency review.

7. Study of Fishermen's Perceptions of Halibut Limited Entry (E-1)

The Phase I report was sent to the SSC as Item 18 in the March 9 Council mailing. Approval is needed to distribute the report to the public.

8. Incidental Salmon Catch Study--Contract 81-5 (E-1)

Review quarterly report. (Enclosed in this mailing.)

9. Halibut Limited Entry Study (Stokes) - Contract 82-4 (E-1)

Approve for public distribution. Sent to SSC as Item 20 in March 9 Council mailing.

10. Joint Venture Logbook Program (E-1 Supplement)

Review proposed interview format and content. Will be available at meeting.

11. Feasibility of Using Scale Analysis Methods to Identify
Bering Sea Herring Stocks (E-1 Supplement)

Review this proposal which has been submitted for FY 1983 funding. Sent to SSC in Council mailing as Item 8.

12. Modifying King Crab Pots to Reduce Halibut Catch (E-1 Supplement)

IPHC would like to test whether fiberglass inserts will reduce halibut catch in king crab pots. See Item 16 of Council mailing. More information will be available at the meeting.