

**BERING SEA CRAB SCIENCE SYMPOSIUM IX:
IMPROVING CRAB STOCK ASSESSMENTS**
Sponsored by the Alaska Bering Sea Crabbers



Friday, September 19, 2014
Leif Erikson Lodge
2245 NW 57th Street Seattle, WA 98107
9:30 am – 2:00 pm

9:30 – 9:50 Coffee and pastries

9:50 – 10:00 Welcome and introductions

10:00 – 10:40 Dr. Bob Foy (NMFS – Kodiak)

- Overview and preliminary results from the 2014 NMFS summer trawl survey

10:40 – 11:20 Scott Goodman (Natural Resources Consultants)

- Overview and preliminary results from the 2014 Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation side-by-side trawl selectivity and pre-recruitment survey

11:20 – 12:00 Dr. Athol Whitten (University of Washington) and Dr. Jim Ianelli (Alaska Fisheries Science Center)

- Current crab stock assessments and development and implementation of the Generalized Crab (GMacs) Model

12:00 – 12:40 Dr. Bob Foy

- Data changes and readjustments to the NMFS eastern Bering Sea survey time series and potential implications to stock abundance estimates

12:40 – 1:15 Dr. Jeff Napp (Alaska Fisheries Science Center)

- Cooperative research, crab industry priorities, and potential future research opportunities

**Lunch will be provided by Mona Stone for all participants upon conclusion of the symposium.*

