

June 26, 1978

Mr. Terry L. Leitzell
Assistant Administrator for Fisheries
National Marine Fisheries Service
3300 Whitehaven Street, Paged#2
Washington, D.C. 20235

Dear Terry:

Enclosed for your information are the minutes and appendices to the minutes for the May 1978 North Pacific Fishery Council Meeting. Also enclosed is a complete copy of the packet of agenda items discussed at the meeting.

Sincerely,

Jim H. Branson
Executive Director

Enclosures

FMM

*Also copies to:
Senator Ted Stevens
Senator Mike Gravel*

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ENCLOSURES

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR
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at the meeting.
enclosed is a complete copy of the minutes of a meeting held on
October 10, 1958, at the National Bureau of Standards. Also
enclosed for your information are the minutes and appendices to the

Dear Sir:

Washington, D.C. 20535
3300 Reservoir Road, N.W.
National Bureau of Standards
Administrative Services Division
Mr. Jerry L. Pettit

June 30, 1958

5/10/78 JHB

KING CRAB

1st Revision

Original FMP

October 5, 1978	Mail draft to Council
October 26-27, 1978	Inhouse review
November 15, 1978	Notice of Availability and public hearings - 800 copies printed
December 5, 1978	Public hearings begin
February 10, 1979	Comment period over
February 22-23, 1979	1st Council review and rewrite
March 22-23, 1979	2nd Council review and approve for submission to SOC
April 15, 1979	Rewrite, print 50 - 200, submit to SOC - review period begins
June 15, 1979	Review period ends - Notice of proposed rule making published
August 15, 1979	Plan in effect

5/10/78 JH13

BERING SEA SHRIMP

1st Revision

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September 5, 1978	Mail draft to Council
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April 26-27, 1979	1st Council review and rewrite
May 24-25, 1979	2nd Council review and approve for submission to SOC
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BERING SEA CLAMS

1st Revision

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March 15, 1979	Notice of Availability and public hearings - 800 copies printed
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June 10, 1979	Comment period over
June 28-29, 1979	1st Council review and rewrite
July 26-27, 1979	2nd Council review and approve for submission to SOC
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October 15, 1979	Review period ends - Notice of proposed rule making published
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TANNER CRAB

1st Revision Original FMP

August 5, 1978

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August 24-25, 1978

Inhouse review

September 5, 1978

Notice of Availability and
public hearings - 800 copies
printed

September 25, 1978

Public hearings begin

October 20, 1978

Comment period over

October 26-27, 1978

1st Council review and rewrite

Nov. 30 - Dec. 1, 1978

2nd Council review and approve
for submission to SOC

December 15, 1978

Rewrite, print 50 - 200,
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February 15, 1979

Review period ends -
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BERING SEA GROUND FISH

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Original FMP

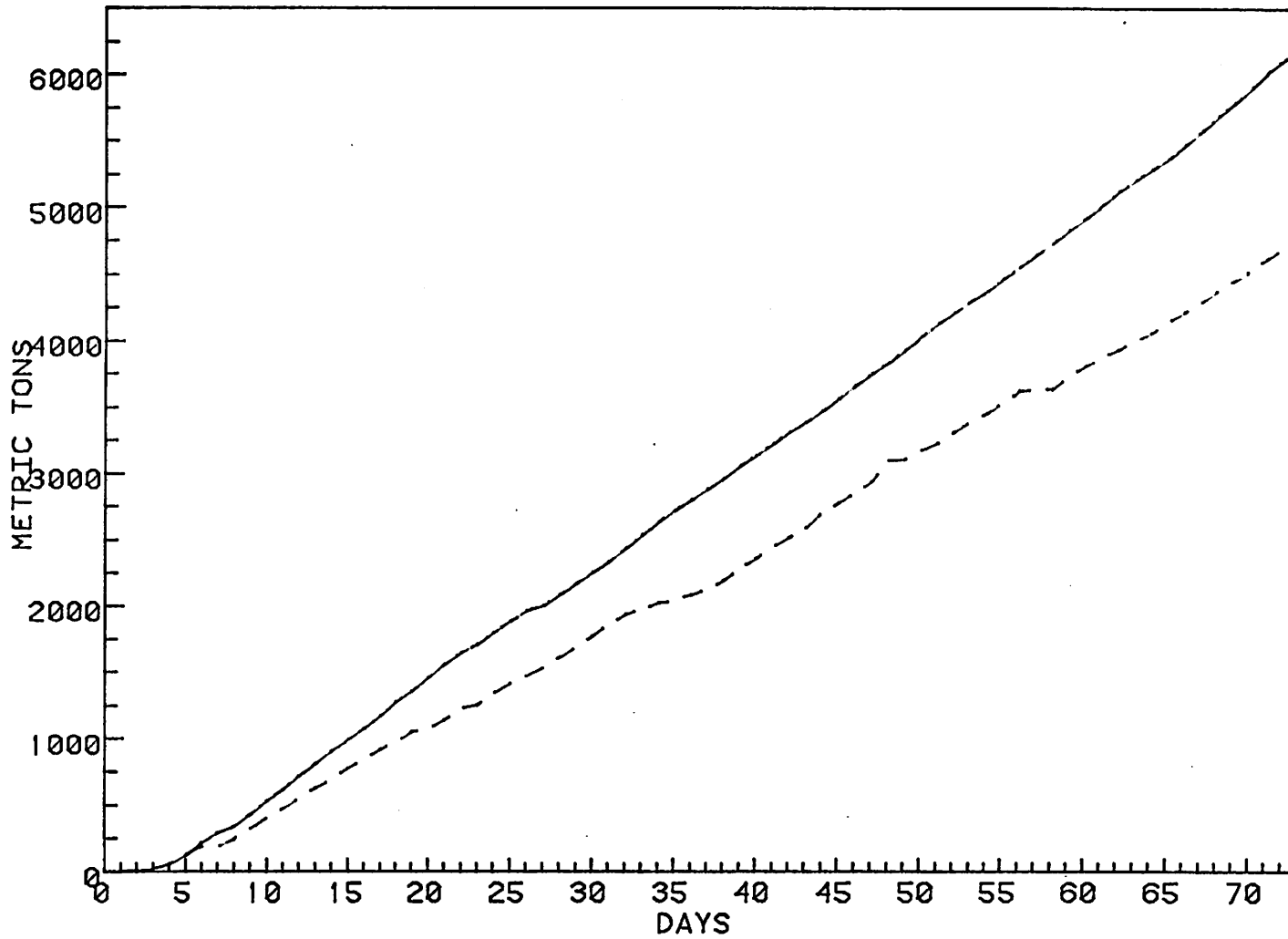
July 5, 1978	Mail draft to Council
July 27-28, 1978	Inhouse review
August 15, 1978	Notice of Availability and public hearings - 800 copies printed
September 5, 1978	Public hearings begin
January 10, 1979	Comment period over
January 25-26, 1979	1st Council review and rewrite
February 22-23, 1979	2nd Council review and approve for submission to SOC
March 15, 1979	Rewrite, print 50 - 200, submit to SOC - review period begins
May 15, 1979	Review period ends - Notice of proposed rule making published
July 15, 1979	Plan in effect

1st Revision

Original FMP

May 9, 1978	Mail draft to Council
May 25-26, 1978	Inhouse review
July 15-25, 1978	Notice of Availability and public hearings - 800 copies printed
August 15, 1978	Public hearings begin
September 30, 1978	Comment period over
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TANNER CRAB COMPARISON FOR 1977-1978
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FIRST 73 DAYS

Jack Lechner, ADFA-C. ICRAB

1978
New York

The increased fishing effort this season ^{total} is reflected by an increase of 139,000 pot lifts above the 305,000 pot lifts during the entire 1977. It is estimated that the pot lifts ~~will~~ by the end of this season will exceed 1977 by ~~more~~ an estimated 228,000 pot lifts or 75 percent. The expansion of the fishery has occurred into portions of the Bering Sea that reflects lower population densities, due to the decrease of catch per pot in the areas of higher population density.

In conclusion the 1978 fishery reflects a decline in CPUE that represents a more full utilization of available stocks and supports the previous population indices that ~~predicted~~ a lower level of recruitment of legal size crab into the fishery.

The total harvest for the previous season was 51.9 million pounds, with an overall season CPUE of 66.9 crab per pot lift.

As of this time a limited effort ~~is~~ is being developed for Opilio ~~crab~~. Tanner crab. It is expected that this effort will increase at the conclusion of the Tanner crab season.

Lechner

The increased fishing effort this season is reflected by an increase of 189,000 pot lifts above the 302,000 pot lifts during the entire 1972. It is estimated that the pot lifts by the end of this season will exceed 1971 by ~~189,000~~ an estimated 228,000 pot lifts or 75 percent. The expansion of the fishery has occurred into portions of the former sea that reflects lower population densities, due to the decrease of catch per pot in the areas of higher population density. In conclusion the 1972 fishing effort reflects a decline in GUS that represents a more full utilization of available stocks and supports the previous population indices that predicted lower level of recruitment of legal size crop into the fishery. The total harvest for the previous season was 21.9 million pounds, with an overall season GUS of 62.9 crop per pot. lift. As of this time a limited effort is being developed for Opilio ~~crop~~. Tanner crop. It is expected that this effort will increase at the conclusion of the ~~pot~~ ~~lift~~ ~~season~~.

THE U.S. DOMESTIC FISHERY Tanner crab HARVEST FOR 1978 IN THE EASTERN BERING SEA THROUGH May 21, 1978 TOTALS 56,230,019 million Pounds. THIS harvest has been accomplished by a vessel EFFORT OF OVER 100 VESSELS. CURRENT Catch rates have STABILIZED at approximately Three million Pounds PER WEEK, WHICH WOULD PROJECT A HARVEST OF APPROXIMATELY 65 million Pounds by the June 15 ~~CLOSING~~ SEASON closing date for Bairdi species Tanner Crab.

THE distribution of the HARVEST to date has been 45 million Pounds and 11.2 million Pounds for the Southeast and Pribilof DISTRICTS respectively.

THE AVERAGE CPUE THROUGH this date has been 50.2 crab per POT. THE Catch per POT ^{as of this date} has been 30 percent less than the 1977 season with a comparable total harvest taken to date. THE PAST two weeks at the fishery has shown a decline in CPUE to 36.8 crabs per POT; FOR this time period in the previous season the catch per POT ~~exceeded~~ 70 crabs per POT.

The U.S. Domestic Fishery Trawler Catch
Harvest for 1978 in the Eastern Bering
Sea through May 31, 1978 totals
22,230,019 million pounds. This harvest
has been accomplished by a vessel
effort of over 100 vessels. Current
catch rates have stabilized at
approximately three million pounds
per week, which would project a
harvest of approximately 22 million
pounds by the June 12 ~~1978~~ season
closure date for board species trawler
group.

The distribution of the harvest to
date has been 42 million pounds and
11.2 million pounds for the Southeast
and Alaska Districts respectively.

The average GUE through this
date has been 20.5 crab per pot. The
catch per pot has been 30 percent less
than in 1977 season with a comparable
total harvest lower to date. The past
two weeks of the fishery has shown a
change in GUE to 31.8 crab per pot;
for this time period in the previous season
the catch per pot exceeded 70 crab per
pot.

Attendance at May 1978 meeting.

- ✓ Lokken
- Tillion
- ✓ Eaton
- ✓ Campbell
- ✓ Meacham
- McKernan
- ~~Jensen~~
- ✓ Skoog/Rosier
- Donaldson/Mace ✓
- Sandison/Wendler ✓
- ✓ Rietze/McVey ✓
- ✓ Harville/Goldsmith
- Watson/Hales ✓
- ~~Hayes/Duin/Giffin~~ ✓
- Price/Arnaudo ✓

- SSC
- Alverson ✓
- Bevan ✓
- Miles
- Collinsworth ✓
- Robinson ✓
- Pennoyer ✓
- Rogers
- Rosenberg
- Rosier ✓
- Woelke/Millikan ✓

- AD
- Specking ✓
- Szabo ✓
- Beaton
- Berikoff
- Boddy ✓
- BURchi ✓
- Cotant
- Demantle ✓
- Emberg ✓
- Hanson ✓
- Jacobson
- Jaeger ✓
- Jensen ✓
- Johnson
- Kurtz ✓
- Lauber ✓
- Lewis

- Moss
- O'Hara
- Olsen ✓
- Otness
- Rawlinson ✓
- Welfelt ✓
- Wilde
- Alverson ✓

- Chitwood
- Nash
- Brooks
- White
- Kashiwagi
- Murakami
- St. Hemp-hill
- Jay Hastings
- Kirk Bieringer
- Ed Naughton
- Steve Hoag
- Phil Piggly
- Howard Shuck
- Jim Ellis
- Polyp Giffin

Others who testified:
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 Harold Spink

- ADFC
- R Owens
- John Doyle
- John Durkin
- Helen Gillette
- Nakamura
- Takagi
- Saito
- Nakoatoka

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MAY 1978 MEETING

IF YOU WISH TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE COUNCIL, PLEASE
 SIGN BELOW WITH YOUR NAME, COMPLETE MAILING ADDRESS,
 AND YOUR SUBJECT. THANK YOU.

NAME	ADDRESS	SUBJECT
DAVE GALLOWAY	4215 21ST AVE W.	SUCKER PERMITS
* Jake Phillips	Pelican Ak.	Sable fish SE
* Ken Tison	3001 S. 28th Federal Hwy, Va	ground fish, specifically sablefish
* Kara Hemphill	5341 Ballard Ave. NW, Seattle 98107	Implementation of the ground fish FMP
Robert Alverson	Rm 232 C-3011, Fish Terminal, Seattle	COPI-US Hal Tokyo 157°W
* Brad Paden	Pelican, Alaska	ground fish, sable, etc.
Mr. Nakamura	Tokyo, AK.	JA LLYGNET ASSOC.
ED FURIA	SEATTLE	J.V.
Bob Govenney	Anchorage	JV
Harold Spardk	Phevak AK	Eastern Bering Sea ^{herring}

* We suggest that in the interest of maximizing testimony & minimizing conversation that as at Pelican we sit as a panel. If you wish to place us at the end of the comment period we are flexible.

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May 25, 1978 Meeting

The following people presented testimony at the May 1978 NPFMC meeting:

1. Dave Gallaway, 4215 21st Ave.,W, Seattle, WN SULAK application permits
2. Jake Philips, Pelican, AK Sablefish in southeast AK
3. Ken Tison, 3001 S.288th Federal Way,Seattle, WN Groundfish, specifically
sablefish in S.E.Alaska.
4. Sara Hemphill, 5341 Ballard Av.,NW,Seattle,WN 98107 Implementation of the
Groundfish FMP
5. Robert D.Alverson, Fishermens Terminal,C-3,rm232,
Seattle, WN Cod-U.S.Halibut take 157°W.
6. Brad Paden, Pelican, AK Groundfish, sablefish,etc.
7. Mr. Nakumura, Tokyo,Japan Japanese Longline & Gillnet
Association fishing alloca-
tions.
8. Ed Furia, Seattle Joint ventures
9. Bob Davenny, Anchorage Joint ventures
10. Harold Sparck, Chevak, AK Eastern Bering Sea herring.

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MAY 1978

The following North Pacific Fishery Council Members, Scientific and Statistical Committee and Advisory Panel members were present at the meeting:

Council:

Harold E. Lokken, Chairman
Douglas B. Eaton
Charles H. Meacham
James O. Campbell
Ronald O. Skoog
Robert U. Mace for J.R. Donaldson
Henry O. Wendler for Gordon Sandison
Harry L. Rietze
John P. Harville
Donald Hales for Gordon Watson
Rear Adm. Robert A. Duin
Ray Arnaudo

Absent:

Clem Tillion, Vice Chairman
Donald L. McKernan
Gordon Jensen

SSC

Dayton L. Alverson, Chairman
Donald E. Bevan
Jack Robinson
Steven Pennoyer
Carl L. Rosier
Don W. Collinsworth
Charles E. Woelke

Edward L. Miles
George W. Rogers
Donald H. Rosenberg

AP

Keith Specking, Chairman
Nick Szabo
Robert Alverson
A.W. Boddy
Oral Burch
Joseph Demantle, Jr.
Truman E. Emberg
John Hanson
Sig Jaeger
Charles L. Jensen
Joseph A. Kurtz
Rick Lauber
Ray Lewis
Kenneth O. Olsen
Don Ralinson
Carlene Welfelt

James E. Beaton
Emil Berikoff
Jon Jacobson
Knute Johnson
Robert Moss
Dan O'Hara
Alan Otness
Harry Wilde, Sr.
Jack Cotant

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The following public were in attendance at the NPFMC Meeting, May 1978:

R. Naab
Richard Whittaker, Esq.
Megan McNamer
Kim White
Ralph Giffin
A.Dennis Austin
S.Kashiwagi
Stephen H.Hoag
David W. Galloway
Jay Hastings
Robert F. Morgan
Howard Schuck
Jay Cherrier
Jake Phillips
Ken Tison
Ed Naughton
Chris Wechel
T.K.Newbury
Diane Fisher
Chong Kyun Kim
Kiju Want
Bradley U. Padon
John P. Doyle
John Durkin
Sara Hemphill
Harold Sparck
Bob Davenny
Ed Furia

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA 15th PLENARY SESSION May 25-26, 1978

Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel
3rd and E Streets
Anchorage, Alaska

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Kenai Aleutian Room in the Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel. It is expected that the meeting will recess at approximately 5 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. May 26 when the meeting will resume in the same place. The meeting is expected to adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. May 26.

There will be a period for public testimony, beginning at 3:30 p.m. May 25.

The Scientific and Statistical Committee of the Council will meet beginning at 9:30 a.m. May 24, 1978 in the Council offices, Suite 32, 333 W. 4th Avenue, and the Council's Advisory Panel will meet beginning at 9:30 a.m. May 24 in the Commodore Room of the Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel. In addition to these meetings of the Council's advisory groups, the SSC and AP will meet in conjunction with the Council on May 25 and May 26.

All of the Council and Council subcommittee as well as advisory body meetings are open to the public. It is expected that the Council will hold a short closed session beginning at 1:30 p.m. May 25 to discuss classified matters concerning on-going negotiations with foreign nations involved in fisheries off Alaska. Only Council and Council advisory group members with proper clearances may attend that closed session.

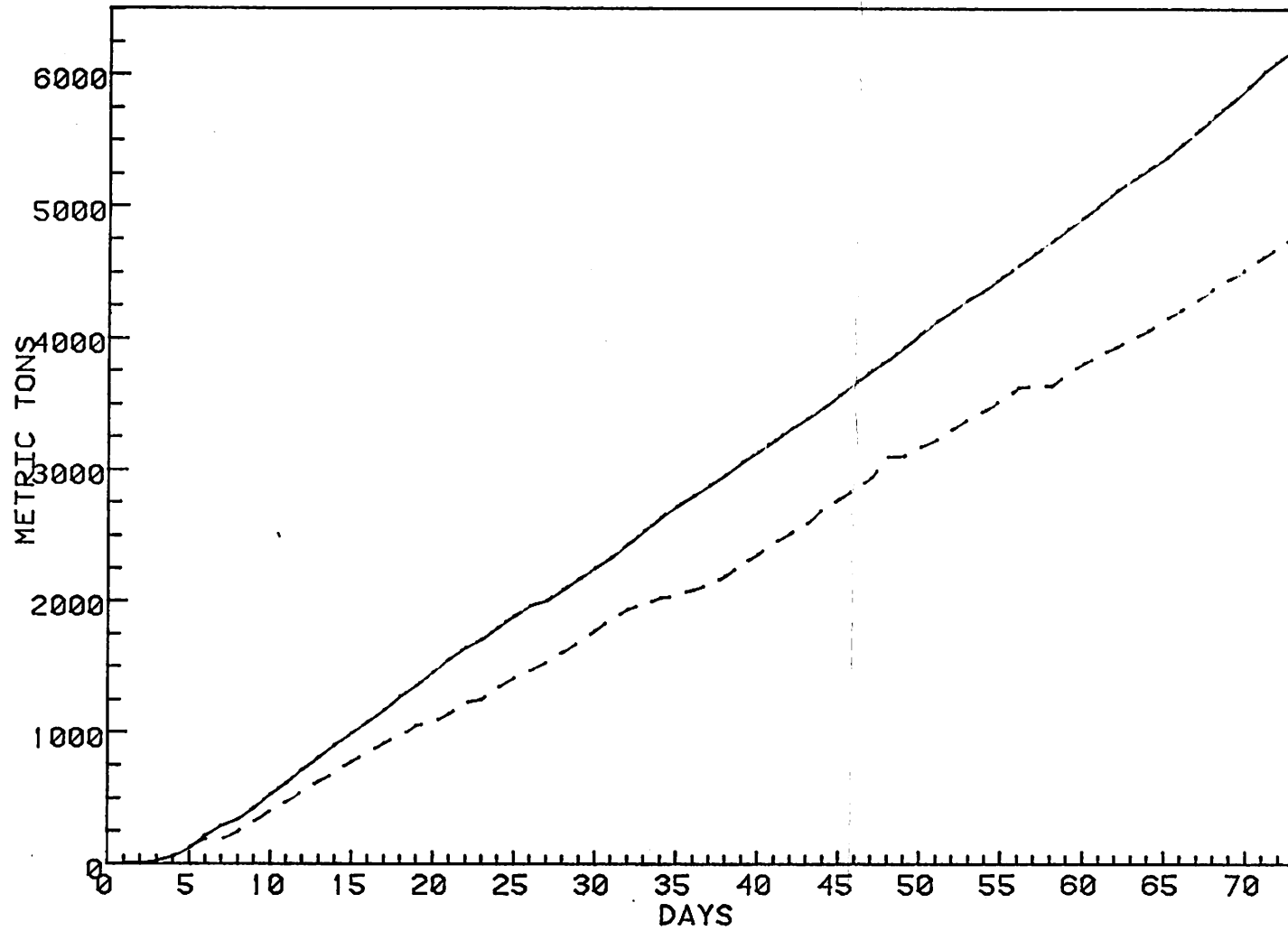
AGENDA

1. Approve agenda.
2. Approve minutes of the March 24, 1978 Council meeting.

3. Executive Director's report.
4. Report from the Scientific and Statistical Committee.
5. Report from the Advisory Panel.
6. Review draft of the FMP for the High Seas Salmon Fishery Off the Coast of Alaska East of 175° East Longitude During 1979.
7. Update on Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP and Tanner crab FMP.
8. Review regulations proposed for FMP's.
 - a. Gulf of Alaska Groundfish Fishery
 - b. Tanner Crab Off Alaska
9. Management plan scheduling and report on Seattle subcommittee meeting.
10. Incidental catch of halibut by foreign longline fishery for cod.
11. Joint venture policy and recent developments.
12. Finance committee report.
13. Appoint and confirm two Council members as members of the Pacific Panel of the U.S.-Canada Consultative Committee.

14. Update on current fisheries.
 - a. U.S. groundfish fishery and observer program.
 - b. Tanner crab fishery in the Bering Sea -- U.S. and foreign.
 - c. Herring fishery in Togiak area, subsistence contract.
15. Guidelines for approval/disapproval of permit applications.
16. Invitation to Executive Director to sit as ex-officio board member of Alaska Fisheries Development Corporation.
17. S-2762, a bill on aquaculture introduced by Senator Gravel.
18. H.R. 9708, Commerce Reorganization Act; Leggett et al.
19. Generic approach to FMP's.
20. Consideration of costs to industry of management measures and regulations proposed in FMP's.
21. Resolution from Board of Fisheries re: cooperative law enforcement effort.
22. NMFS report on foreign fishery activities.
23. Coast Guard report on enforcement activities.

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June 16, 1978

Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel

Reservations to be credited to the North Pacific Fishery Council
to fill room quotas:

LOKKEN, Harold E.	SPECKING, Keith	BERIKOFF, Emil
TILLION, Clement V.	SZABO, Nick	DEMANTLE, Joe, Jr.
EATON, Douglas Bart	BEATON, James E.	LARKINS, H.A.
JENSEN, Gordon	BODDY, A. W.	
MCKERNAN, Donald L.	BURCH, Oral L.	BEININGEN, Kirk
MEACHAM, Charles H.	COTANT, Jack B.	LOEFFEL, Robert
SKOOG, Ronald	EMBERG, Truman E.	
DONALDSON, John R.	JACOBSON, Jon	HUGHES, Steven
SANDISON, Gordon	HANSON, John	THORNBERG, Guy
HARVILLE, John P.	JAEGER, Sigfried	IM, Kwong
RIETZE, Harry L.	JENSEN, Charles	
	JOHNSON, Knute	
DUIN, Robert A. (Rear Admiral)	KURTZ, Joseph	
	LAUBER, Rick	
WENDLER, Henry O.	LEWIS, Raymond P.	
GOLDSMITH, Richard	MOSS, Robert	
MACE Robert	O'Hara, Daniel J.	
MCVEY, Robert		
	OTNESS, Alan	
ALVERSON, Dayton L.	WILDE, Harry, Sr.	
ALVERSON, Robert D.	RAWLINSON, Don	
PENNOYER, Steve	NAAB, Ron	
BEVAN, Donald E.	CHITWOOD, Phillip	
ROBINSON, Jack G.	CASEY, Tom	
MILES, Edward L.	BROOKS, James W.	
ROGERS, George W.	WHITE, J. Kim	
ROSENBERG, Donald H.	ADASIAK, Allan	
ROSIER, Carl L.	FUKUHARA, Frank	
MILLIKAN, Allan	HEMPHILL, Sara	
COLLINSWORTH, Donald W.	STAFNE, Scott	
	JONES, Walt	
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EXPANDED AGENDA

North Pacific Fishery Management Council
Sixteenth Plenary Session
Anchorage, Alaska
June 22 - 23, 1978

The Council will meet Thursday and Friday, June 22nd and 23rd, in the Kenai/Aleutian Room of the Anchorage Westward Hotel. The Council meetings will begin at 8:30 a.m. Thursday, recess that day at the close of the public comment period and reconvene at 8:30 Friday morning, June 23rd in the same location. The Council luncheon Thursday will be in the Tudor Room of the Holiday Inn on 4th and C Streets.

The Advisory Panel will meet on June 21st in the Aleutian Room of the Anchorage Westward Hotel at approximately 9:30 a.m.

The Scientific and Statistical Committee will meet in the conference room at the Council offices in the Post Office Mall Building beginning at 10:30 a.m. June 21st, Wednesday. If the Advisory Panel and SSC wish to meet separately on June 22nd or 23rd space will be arranged by Council staff.

A closed session has been advertised in the Federal Register, the Council may hold one if so desired. If so, it will start at 1:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22nd. The public comment period is scheduled for the usual time, beginning 3:30 p.m. Thursday, June 22nd.

AGENDA

1. Proposed Agenda

2. Minutes of the May meeting

The May minutes have not been mailed, they are in Tab 2 of your agenda book.

3. Director's Report

Includes an update on FMP progress and the PMP revisions requested by the Council at its last meeting and requests the following action items from the Council:

1. Response to Pacific Council plea for an increase in the observer program in the foreign fishery and earmarking foreign fees for that and other directly related purposes.
2. Suggest the Council request a priority for observers on joint venture processing ships.
3. Consider changing the dates of the October meeting from October 26 and 27 to November 2 and 3 to avoid conflict with the Council Chairman's meeting in Hawaii on October 24 and 25.
4. Designate lead agency and plan development team for the Bering Sea shrimp FMP.

4. Report from the Scientific and Statistical Committee

The SSC agenda includes the following items, we can expect to hear reports on these subjects from the SSC Thursday morning.

1. Review University of Alaska Joint Ventures Contract (78-1) Final Report.
 2. Review the research design for Contract 78-10 by Tetra-Tech, Inc., "A Study to Determine the Effects of Hydraulic Clam Harvesting in the Eastern Bering Sea."
 3. Review progress report of eastern Bering Sea herring biology contract (78-5) with ADF&G.
 4. Comment on Tanner crab regulations.
 5. Comment on Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP and proposed amendments.
 6. Comment on eastern Bering Sea scallop proposal.
 7. Designate a Bering Sea Shrimp PDT and lead agency.
 8. Designate a Halibut PDT and lead agency.
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5. Report from the Advisory Panel
 6. Final Report on the Joint Venture Contract with the University of Alaska

The final report on Contract 78-1, reviewing the impact of joint ventures on U.S. industry has been received and is in Tab 6 of your agenda book. We have received preliminary reviews of this final report from Don Collinsworth and George Rogers and are expecting reviews from Ed Miles and the remainder of the SSC.

7. Report on the Bering Sea Crab Fishery

Report on both the U.S. and foreign fishery by representatives of ADF&G and NMFS.

8. National Marine Fisheries Service Report on the Foreign Fishery and Surveillance Activity

9. Coast Guard Report on Enforcement and Patrol Activities

10. Report on the U.S. Herring Fishery in the eastern Bering Sea and on the Council Contracts for Herring stock assessment (78-5) and the Socio Economic aspects of subsistence herring use (78-6).

The U.S. herring fishery will be discussed by Ken Middleton, ADF&G. Jim Hemming, project leader for Dames & Moore, will present a progress report on the socio-economic herring study. The herring stock assessment report is in the folder.

11. Report of U.S. Groundfish Activity Including Black Cod

12. Report from the Tanner Crab Regulation Review Committee

This Council subcommittee has met in Juneau to go over the proposed regulations for the Tanner crab FMP. They have found numerous problems and will have lengthy recommendations for changes to those proposed regulations. They must be in by June 30th.

13. Review Permit Applications for the Soviet Processing Ship SULAK to be Used in a Joint Venture with Marine Resources, Inc.

Deadline for review of this permit is July 6th. The permits for a joint venture operation have been issued to KMIDC. A copy of the provisions attached to those permits were sent out in the June 14th mailing.

14. Report on the Japanese Longline Fishery for Pacific Cod West of 157° West.

By National Marine Fisheries Service, there has been a fair amount of fishing for Pacific cod and there is some observer information available on the incidence of halibut in the catch.

15. Development of a Fishery Management Plan for Halibut.

The Chairman has appointed a Council working group for this plan consisting of Harold Lokken, Harry Rietze, Clem Tillion, Gordon Jensen, Ron Skoog or Charles Meacham, Keith Specking, Bob Alverson. Lead agency and PDT have to be appointed if we decide to go ahead with a FMP.

16. Report on Staff Time Study for Tracking Costs of FMP's

At the last meeting the Council asked the staff to estimate how much it would cost the staff to track the full costs of a management plan. Our best estimate is that cost per management plan will be approximately \$4,200 based on labor costs for four hours per week per plan plus the necessary supplies and communication costs to conduct a weekly survey either by telephone or letter to all of the people involved in the development of plans.

17. Proposed Bering Sea Scallop Fishery

North Aurora Fisheries has requested Council help in modifying the current restriction on ring size for scallop dredges to enable them to fish in the Bering Sea with smaller rings than are now allowed.

18. Amendments to Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP.

We must consider the time schedule for revision of the Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP and Tanner Crab FMP. We have already received a request from the Central Office, NMFS to have revisions to them by June 30th, which is patently impossible. I have suggested extending the FMP's as they are until April 1st, 1979. We still must consider a starting date for revisions at this time.

There have been a number of suggested revisions to the Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP in (Tab 18). We should decide whether or not to make them and if so, for 1978 or as revisions to the 1979 (or next cut) of the plan.

19. Property Disposal Recommendations

A carry-over from the last Council meeting. The Administrative Officer has found a legal method of divesting the Council of ownership of major property items purchased by a contractor for use in a Council funded study.

20. A report on the Commerce Reorganization Act (H.R. 9708)

Council member John Harville agreed to summarize and report on this Act to the Council.

21. Miscellaneous Correspondence.

JUNE 1978 AWH Hotel Reservations made by me:

on

6/12/78	Don Rawlinson	June 20, 21, 22 at \$38.rate	confirmed by Candy.
6/12/78	Jack Robinson	June 20, 21, 22 at (\$38.00) <u>double</u>
6/12/78	Kirk Beiningen	June 21, 22 at	

6/15/78 Robert Maca June 21, 22. " " Bess

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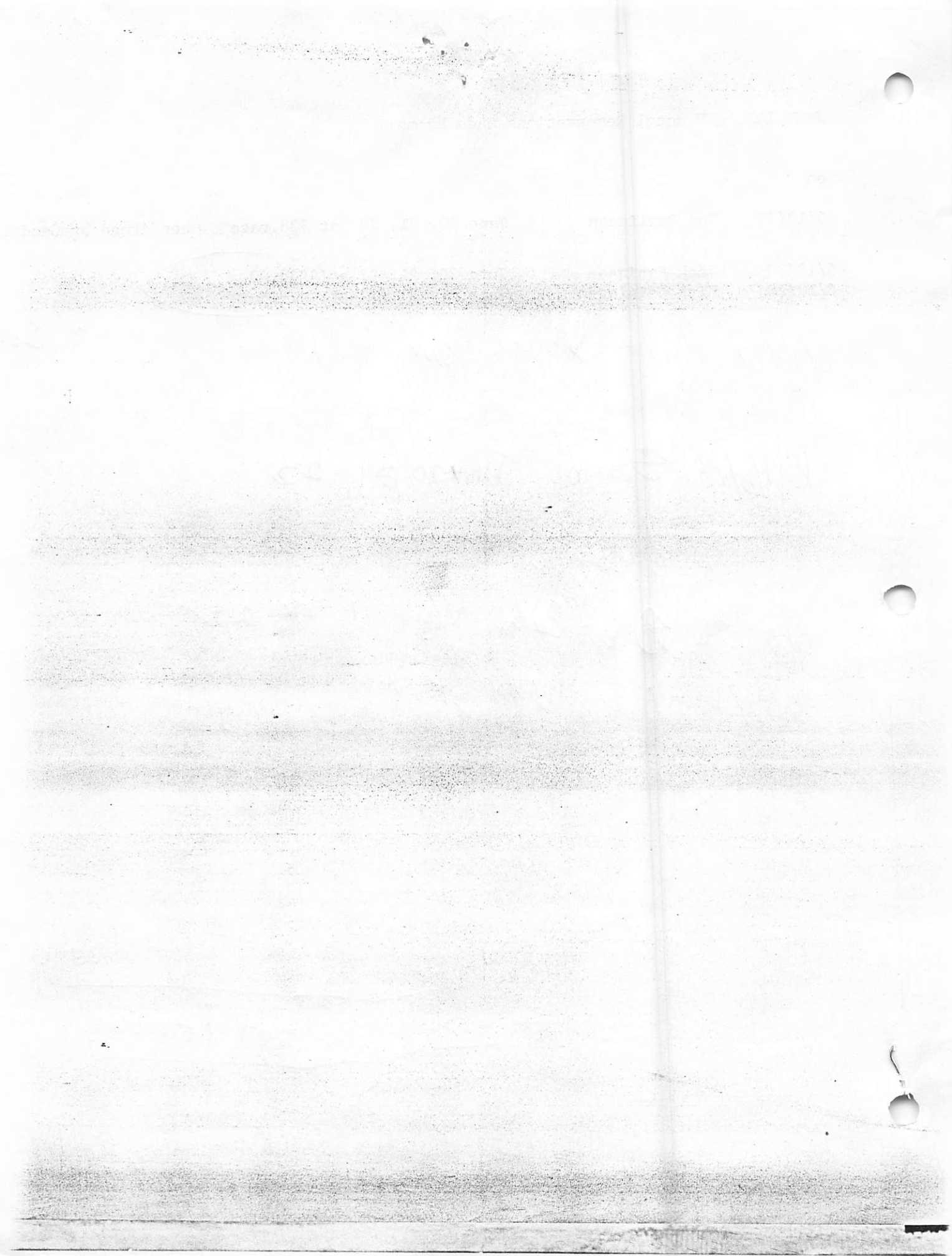
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Not coming

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Delmonte	S. Pennoyer
Wilde	K.O. Olsen
Macdonald	SKoog
Gr. Jensen	Rosenberg



Mailed
2-3-78



ANCHORAGE WESTWARD HILTON

THIRD AT E STREET
ANCHORAGE, ALASKA 99501
(907) 272-7411

January 6, 1978

Mrs. Judy Willoughby
NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
P. O. Box 3136
Anchorage, Ak. 99510

Dear Judy,

The Anchorage Westward Hilton's formal commitment to you for your June meeting of the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council is as follows:

1. We are reserving 20 guest rooms for arrival on June 20 with an additional 20 for arrival on Wednesday, June 21st with all scheduled to depart on Friday, June 23rd. We are pleased to guarantee to you our Government rate of #34.00 single occupancy and \$44.00 twin or double occupancy in our Westward Tower, or, \$38.00 single occupancy and \$48.00 twin or double occupancy in our Anchorage Tower. Please add a 5% hotel sales tax to your final room charges.
2. We will provide 50 Return Reservation Cards for your distribution. We will have these printed, postage-paid, and free of charge. These Return Reservations must be received by our Reservations Department no later than June 6th, 1978 in order to hold space on a definite basis.
3. Check-out time will be 2:00 P.M..
4. For your meeting and catering needs, we have outlined the following;

~~Tues night June 20 1978~~
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 21, 1978

<u>FUNCTION:</u>	<u>TIME:</u>	<u>ROOM:</u>	<u>SET-UP:</u>	<u>NO. OF GUESTS:</u>
Meeting	8:00AM-5:00PM	ALEUTIAN	THEATRE	35

THURSDAY, JUNE 22, 1978

Meeting	8:00AM-5:00PM	KENAI-ALEUTIAN <i>Alaska Room</i>	THEATRE	125
Lunch	12:NOON-1:00PM	PORTAGE	ROUNDS	14-20

FRIDAY, JUNE 23, 1978

Meeting	8:00AM-5:00PM	ALASKA	THEATRE	125
Lunch	12:NOON-1:00PM	TURNAGAIN	ROUNDS	14-20

Due to your guest room commitment as outlined in Paragraph 1, your meeting rooms will be free of charge. Should you pick up less than

the number of rooms specified, we will apply a rental charge of \$100 per day.

5. Coffee service can be provided at the rate of \$16.00 per gallon, plus 15% gratuity.
6. For your billing, it is our understanding that each individual will pay his or her own room rate, tax and all incidentals incurred.

The catering charges will be billed as follows:


Mrs. Judy Willoughby
NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
P. O. Box 3136
Anchorage, Ak. 99510

Please sign and return the enclosed extra copy of this letter so we may make this a definite booking.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

ANCHORAGE WESTWARD HILTON


Bob Furlong
Director of Sales


BF/djm

Enclosure

cc: Lewis Watson
Front Office Manager

Candy Dubois
Reservation Supervisor

THE ABOVE AND FOREGOING IS HEREBY APPROVED:


Mrs. Judy Willoughby for
NORTH PACIFIC FISHERIES MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

DATE: 2-4-78

April 20, 1978

MEMORANDUM

To: Carol Jordan, NMFS (F31)

From: *for* Jim H. Branson *mark*
Executive Director

Subject: Notice for Publication in Federal Register

Please prepare the enclosed notice for publication in the Federal Register; it announces the details for the June 1978 meeting of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council. Thank you.

Enclosure

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The money received from the management committee should be
returned to the treasurer for the year 1982. Please
Please provide the enclosed notes for information to the
treasurer.

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North Pacific Fishery Management Council

Harold E. Lokken, Chairman
Jim H. Branson, Executive Director

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PRELIMINARY AGENDA
15th PLENARY SESSION
May 25-26, 1978
Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel
3rd and E Streets
Anchorage, Alaska

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet beginning at 8:30 a.m. in the Kenai Aleutian Room in the Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel. It is expected that the meeting will recess at approximately 5 p.m. until 8:30 a.m. May 26 when the meeting will resume in the same place. The meeting is expected to adjourn at approximately 5 p.m. May 26.

There will be a period for public testimony, beginning at 3:30 p.m. May 25.

The Scientific and Statistical Committee of the Council will meet beginning at 10:00 a.m. May 24, 1978 in the Council offices, Suite 32, 333 W. 4th Avenue, and the Council's Advisory Panel will meet beginning at 9:30 a.m. May 24 in the Commodore Room of the Anchorage Westward Hilton Hotel. In addition to these meetings of the Council's advisory groups, the SSC and AP will meet in conjunction with the Council on May 25 and May 26.

All of the Council and Council subcommittee as well as advisory body meetings are open to the public. It is expected that the Council will hold a short closed session beginning at 1:30 p.m. May 25 to discuss classified matters concerning on-going negotiations with foreign nations involved in fisheries off Alaska. Only Council and Council advisory group members with proper clearances may attend that closed session.

AGENDA

1. Approve agenda.
2. Approve minutes of March 24, 1978 Council Meeting.

The minutes of this meeting were mailed to the Council group on May 11th.

3. Executive Director's Report.

A written report is included under this tab. We need a meeting of the Finance Committee to reevaluate the FY78 budget, consider ship charters, a request from FRI for additional funding, recommend decisions on travel advances and ownership of equipment acquired by contractors with Council funding. A preliminary report from the auditors is available for review. Delegates should be appointed to the Limited Entry Conference in Denver at this meeting.

4. Report from the Scientific and Statistical Committee.

The main subject of the SSC's May 24th meeting will be the draft of the high seas salmon plan (troll salmon).

5. Report from the Advisory Panel.
6. Review draft of the FMP for the High Seas Salmon Fishery off the Coast of Alaska East of 175° East Longitude During 1979.
 - a. We should consider a joint committee of the North Pacific Council and Pacific Council to work with Canada on an overall troll salmon plan for the Pacific Coast.

- b. Copies of the troll salmon plan were mailed to all Council people on May 8th with a letter outlining the decisions that will have to be made on OY and MSY for the troll fishery.
7. Update on Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP and Tanner Crab FMP.

Both FMP's have been published in the Federal Register and copies are available. In addition, we are having clean copies printed of these FMP's for future reference. They are much easier to read and work with than the Federal Register copies.

8. Review regulations proposed for FMP's.

- a. Gulf of Alaska Groundfish Fishery:

The comment period closes June 6th on the changes to the foreign regulations and the proposed domestic regulations for this FMP. We should have a set of recommendations on these proposed regulations from a work group prepared for this Council meeting.

- b. Tanner Crab off Alaska.

The comment period on the proposed Tanner crab regulations closes June 30, 1978.

We have retyped and reproduced the proposed regulations for both plans to make them more readable. Copies are in your agenda books and extra copies are available.

9. Management Plan Scheduling and Report on Seattle Subcommittee Meeting.

The Council subcommittee met in Seattle on May 3rd. A copy of their proposed plan development schedule is in your agenda book.

10. Incidental Catch of Halibut by Foreign Longline Fishery for Pacific Cod.

The Fishing Vessel Owners Association and the Deep Sea Fishermen's Union have written to the Council suggesting additional control and monitoring of the proposed foreign Pacific cod fishery west of 157° W. in the Gulf. Observer reports from a longline Pacific cod fishery in the Bering Sea in February indicate very high incidental catches of halibut. The proposal in this agenda item provides some control for the fishery in the Gulf.

11. ~~11.~~ *Joint Venture Policy & recent developments.*
12. Finance Committee Report.

- a. Revised FY78 budget.
- b. Travel advances and contract equipment.
- c. A request for additional funding for scale analysis and clam study vessel charter.

13. Appoint and confirm two Council members as members of the Pacific Panel of the U.S./Canada Consultative Committee.

Temporary appointment of two members of this Consultative Committee has been made by Chairman Lokken. Primary members are Lokken and Meacham with alternates Jensen and Skoog respectively. One meeting of this group has been held in Seattle.

14. Update on current fisheries.
 - a. U.S. groundfish fishery and observer program.
 - b. Tanner crab fishery in the Bering Sea - U.S. and foreign.
 - c. Herring fishery in Togiak area - herring subsistence contract with Dames & Moore.

15. Guidelines for approval/disapproval of permit applications.

Guidelines for the approval/disapproval of permit applications have been sent to us for comment by NMFS. While recent joint venture policy changes may make that proposed guideline moot, the others still deserve consideration by the Council.

16. Invitation to Executive Director to sit as an ex-officio board member of the Alaska Fisheries Development Corporation.

Needs Council consideration of the relationship and type of input they desire with this organization.

17. S-2762, a Bill on aquaculture introduced by Senator Gravel.

Senator Gravel has asked for Council comments on this proposed legislation.

18. HR 9708 - Commerce Reorganization Act.

Congressmen Leggett has requested Council comment on this proposed legislation.

19. Generic approach to FMP's.

Burt Larkins will explain an approach to FMP's that may reduce the delay in revising or amending FMP's.

20. Consideration of cost to industry of management measures and regulations proposed in FMP's.

This request was originally submitted by Sig Jaeger for the North Pacific Vessel Owners Association. He would like to have the cost to the fishing industry of proposed management measures and regulations assessed and detailed in the FMP's.

21. Resolution from the Alaska Board of Fisheries regarding cooperative law enforcement effort.

This particular problem is currently being tackled by NMFS, ADF&G, Department of Public Safety and the U.S. Coast Guard. We should be able to get a report from one or all of those agencies on its current status.

22. NMFS report on foreign fishery activities.

23. Coast Guard Report on enforcement activities.

24. Miscellaneous correspondence.

MEMORANDUM

DATE: June 8, 1978

TO: Council Members, Scientific and Statistical Committee
and Advisory Panel Members

FROM: Administrative Officer

SUBJECT: Hotel Reservations and Check-in Procedure

As you know, the next Council meeting will be in the Anchorage Westward Hilton on June 22 and 23 with the Advisory Panel and Scientific and Statistical Committee meetings on the 21st. We have blocked rooms in the Westward and if we use 40 of these rooms there is no charge for our meeting rooms. The deadline for the reservation cards was June 10th but the Hotel has consented to extend this thru June 13th.

When checking in please identify yourselves as members of the NPFMC and your room will be counted and you will be given the special rate we have arranged. Also, if you are a Federal or State employee please show some ID and no tax will be charged.

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