ADVISORY PANEL ADMINISTRATIVE ISSUES



DIANA EVANS, DECEMBER 2025

- 1. Meeting protocols
- 2. B reports highlights
- 3. December AP meeting agenda
- 4. AP appointments / Events this week



CODE OF CONDUCT FOR NPFMC MEETINGS

Participants in the Council process are expected to participate in a manner that is professional and respectful of Council members, staff, advisors, committee members, and the public. Harassment will not be tolerated. All Council participants are responsible for holding each other accountable to the following ground rules:

- Treat everyone with respect.
- Listen and seek to understand differing views or opinions.
- Represent information honestly and openly.
- Refrain from using offensive, disrespectful, or derogatory language.
- Personal or organizational attacks or insults will not be tolerated.

Reports of inappropriate behavior will be taken seriously and followed through to resolution per the Council's <u>Statement of Organization</u>, <u>Practices</u>, and <u>Procedures</u>, which also includes the NPFMC policy on addressing allegations of harassment.

PROTOCOLS FOR PUBLIC TESTIMONY, TEXT ALERTS

- Testimony by topic, under each agenda item
- Onscreen timer for oral testimony
 - 3 min individuals and companies
 - 6 min organizations and associations
- 1. Sign up through the eAgenda, next to the agenda item you want to testify on
- 2. Fill out the form with your personal details
- 3. Attach handouts or ppts if desired. (Contact staff if you want to project a handout.)
- 4. All testimony will be remote.
 - If remote, please ensure a strong internet connection and be in a quiet area.
 - If calling from a phone, use that number on the signup form so we can unmute you





HIGHLIGHTS FROM B REPORTS (1/2)

B1 Executive Director's Report

- NMFS HQ VIPs visiting on Thursday
 - Mr. Eugenio Pineiro Soler, Asst Administrator for Fisheries
 - Dr. Evan Howell, Chief Science Advisor
- Public comment period on EO 14276 (Restoring American Seafood Competitiveness) reopened through December 15
 - Council already submitted two letters

Impact of gvmt shutdown Oct 1-Nov 12

- Primarily on groundfish harvest specs agenda item
- No time for Federal stock assessment authors to complete new assessments; Groundfish Plan Teams canceled
- Contextual info reports in support of specs delayed
- AP meeting shorter as less new information to present
- Council staff have assessed information available for specs and proposed a process consistent with MSA, Council, and other requirements



HIGHLIGHTS FROM B REPORTS (2/2)

B2 NMFS Management Report

- Shutdown impacts as most Alaska Region personnel were furloughed
- Staff worked to provide critical services including monitoring and managing fisheries to avoid exceeding catch limits, and IFQ transfers/crab quota issuance
- Cost recovery updates
- IFQ medical transfer limitations notice
- Status of rulemaking provided in B2 report, other updates

B4 AFSC report

 Dr. Bob Foy is scheduled to provide an AFSC report to the Council on Thursday

B9 BS pollock industry report on 2026 dynamic spatial closures

 Pollock representatives will respond to a Council request from June to report on dynamic spatial closures for the 2026 A season, to protect Bristol Bay red king crab



DECEMBER AP MEETING

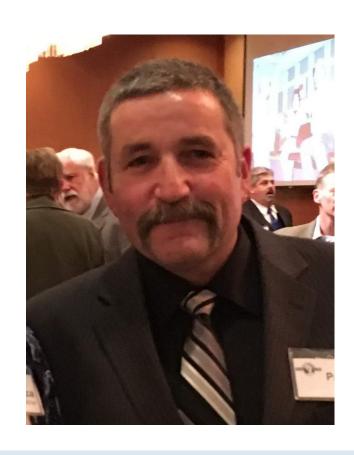
- AP meeting: 3 days, Wednesday Friday (12/3 12/5)
 - Final action: C1 Crab arbitration, C2 Crab C shares
 - Harvest specifications: C6 NSRKC, C4/C5 Groundfish (final)
 - Charter halibut: C7 annual management measures
 - Discussion paper: D1 NSRKC participation
 - Other: D2 EFH workplan
 - E Staff tasking, including groundfish objectives review workplan, IRA/SSPT updates
 - Postponed: C3 contextual information for groundfish specs (ESR, Econ SAFE)



AP APPOINTMENTS / EVENTS THIS WEEK

AP 2026 appointments will be announced at end of Council meeting

- Ten AP seats have terms that expire at the end of the year; of those, 8 members requesting reappointment
- Paddy's last AP meeting after 12 years - farewell!



Events this week

- Wednesday, 12/3, 12-1pm: Q&A on halibut assessment, AP room
- Thursday, 12/4: <u>Council</u> <u>reception</u>, 6pm-8pm, 49th State

