

# North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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January 27, 2011

**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**202nd Plenary Session**  
**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
**February 2 – 8, 2011**  
**Renaissance Hotel**

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(6 hrs)

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**C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS**

- C-1 Halibut/Sablefish IFQ Program (4 hrs)
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<b>6</b> Council	<b>7</b> Council	<b>8</b> Council	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
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<b>20</b>	<b>21</b> HOLIDAY	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b> Yukon/Kusko River Delta RAC thru 24 - Bethel Bering Straits Conf. thru 25 - Nome	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>					

## MARCH 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> Western Interior RAC thru 2 - Galena	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Eastern Interior RAC thru 4 <sup>th</sup> - Fairbanks	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>
<b>6</b>	<b>7</b> Scallop PT thru 8 <sup>th</sup> - Anch	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Bristol Bay RAC thru 10 - Naknek	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> Pacific cod CIE review thru 18 - Seattle	<b>15</b> Tanana Chiefs Conference thru 8 - Fairbanks	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b> SSC/AP - Hilton	<b>29</b> SSC/AP	<b>30</b> SSC/AP/Council	<b>31</b> AP/Council		

## APRIL 2011

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b> AP/Council	<b>2</b> AP/Council
<b>3</b> Council	<b>4</b> Council	<b>5</b> Council	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
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<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

## MAY 2011

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<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b> Annual CCC mtg thru 5th - Charleston, SC	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> Crab PT thru 13 - Juneau	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> North America Assoc. of Fishery Economists thru 13 - Honolulu	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>
<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
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<b>29</b>	<b>30</b> HOLIDAY	<b>31</b>				

<b>JUNE 2011</b>						
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			1	2	3	4
5	6 SSC/AP - Nome	7 SSC/AP	8 SSC/AP/Council	9 AP/Council	10 AP/Council	11 Council
12 Council	13 Council	14 Council	15	16	17	18
19	20	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28	29	30		

<b>JULY 2011</b>						
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					1	2
3	4 Holiday	5	6	7	8	9
10	11	12	13	14	15	16
17	18	19	20	21	22	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30