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E Staff Tasking

April 2022 Council Meeting

Action Memo

Council Staff: David Witherell, Diana Evans

- Action Required: 1. Review Committees and Plan Teams
 - 2. Provide direction on tasking priorities and scheduling

BACKGROUND

Committees and Plan Teams

<u>Membership</u>

Attached is the updated Council committee list reflecting changes since February 2022.

Meeting status

The following Committee and Plan Team meetings are currently anticipated for the first part of the year.

- BSAI Crab Plan Team May 16-20, 2022 hybrid: Anchorage, AK / remote access
- Trawl EM Committee May 31, 2022 hybrid: Anchorage, AK / remote access
- Fishery Monitoring Advisory Committee (FMAC) June 1, 2022 hybrid or virtual, TBD
- Enforcement Committee May 2022 (TBD) virtual

The Council is also hosting the national SSC workshop in Sitka, AK, August 15-17, 2022.

In addition, the PCFMAC met in March 2022. While their report is appended to this agenda item, staff intend to defer the presentation of the report until June 2022, when the Council also has other observer and monitoring items on its agenda.

Tasking and Scheduling

Posted on the eAgenda are updated versions of tasking documents for background material: the 3-meeting outlook, Council staff responsibilities, groundfish workplan, and IFQ project status.

Draft June 2022 agenda

A preliminary June 2022 agenda is posted to the eAgenda for your review. Please note that this draft is for the purpose of discussion and feedback, and it will be revised after this meeting. At the June meeting, the AP and Council will consider AIGKC specifications, final action on Central GOA rockfish adjustments, and initial review of the Trawl EM analysis and BSAI Pacific cod small boat access analysis. The Council will also review the Observer Program Annual Report for 2021 and committee reports, and various salmon reports.

At the time of writing, the June meeting is still intended as in-person/hybrid. It is our intent that we would broadcast the AP, SSC, and Council, and provide opportunity for both in-person and remote testimony, however we will know more about the tradeoffs involved after this first hybrid meeting in

April in Anchorage. We also have some concerns about internet in Sitka, which we will evaluate. The meeting is scheduled for June 6-13, 2022; if it becomes virtual, the AP and SSC will meet during the week of June 6-10, and the Council will meet during the week of June 12-15.

Public Comment

Written public comments that have been submitted to the Council are available on the eAgenda.