

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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DRAFT AGENDA
197th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
April 8-13, 2010
Hilton Hotel

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Hilton Hotel, 500 W 3rd Avenue, Anchorage, Alaska. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Advisory Panel
Scientific and Statistical Committee
Enforcement Committee
Ecosystem Committee

Beginning

April 6 – 8am – Dillingham/Katmai
April 6 – 8am – King Salmon/Illiamna
April 7 – 9am – 12pm – Aspen/Spruce
April 7 – 1pm – 5pm – Aspen Spruce

All meetings are open to the public, except executive sessions of the Council. Other committee and workgroup meetings may be scheduled on short notice during the week, and will be posted at the hotel.

INFORMATION FOR PERSONS WISHING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS

Sign-up sheets are available at the registration table for those wishing to provide public comments on a specific agenda item. Sign-up must be completed **before** public comment begins on that agenda item. Additional names are generally not accepted **after** public comment has begun.

Submission of Written Comments. Written comments and materials to be included in Council meeting notebooks must be received at the Council office by 5:00 pm (Alaska Time) on **TUESDAY March 30, 2010**. Written and oral comments should include a statement of the source and date of information provided as well as a brief description of the background and interests of the person(s) submitting the statement. Comments can be sent by mail or fax—please **do not** submit comments by e-mail. **It is the submitter's responsibility to provide an adequate number of copies of comments after the deadline.** Materials provided **during** the meeting for distribution to Council members should be provided to the Council secretary. A minimum of **25** copies is needed to ensure that Council members, the executive director, NOAA General Counsel, appropriate staff, and the official meeting record each receive a copy. If copies are to be made available for the Advisory Panel (**28**), Scientific and Statistical Committee (**18**), or the public after the pre-meeting deadline, they must also be provided by the submitter.

NOTE: Council may take action as necessary on all matters listed on the Agenda

**FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
ADVISORY PANEL**

The Advisory Panel has revised its operating guidelines to incorporate a strict time management approach to its meetings. Rules for testimony before the Advisory Panel have been developed which are similar to those used by the Council. Members of the public wishing to testify before the AP **must** sign up on the list for each topic listed on the agenda. Sign-up sheets are provided in a special notebook located at the back of the room. The deadline for registering to testify is when the agenda topic comes before the AP. The time available for individual and group testimony will be based on the number registered and determined by the AP Chairman. **The AP may not take public testimony on items for which they will not be making recommendations to the Council.**

**FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE
SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE**

The usual practice is for the SSC to call for public comment immediately following the staff presentation on each agenda item. The Committee will discourage testimony that does not directly address the technical issues of concern to the SSC. **Presentations lasting more than five minutes will require prior approval from the Chair.**

COMMONLY USED ACRONYMS

ABC	Acceptable Biological Catch	IRFA	Initial Regulatory Flexibility Analysis
AI	Aleutian Islands	LLP	License Limitation Program
AP	Advisory Panel	MSFCMA	Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation and Management Act
ADFG	Alaska Dept. of Fish and Game	MMPA	Marine Mammal Protection Act
BS	Bering Sea	MRA	Maximum Retainable Amount
BSAI	Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	MSY	Maximum Sustainable Yield
CDQ	Community Development Quota	mt	Metric tons
EA/RIR	Environmental Assessment/Regulatory Impact Review	NMFS	National Marine Fisheries Service
EEZ	Exclusive Economic Zone	NOAA	National Oceanic & Atmospheric Adm.
EFH	Essential Fish Habitat	NPFMC	North Pacific Fishery Management Council
EFP	Exempted Fishing Permit	OY	Optimum Yield
ESA	Endangered Species Act	PSC	Prohibited Species Catch
FEP	Fishery Ecosystem Plan	SAFE	Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
FMP	Fishery Management Plan	SSC	Scientific and Statistical Committee
GHL	Guideline Harvest Level	SSL	Steller Sea Lion
GOA	Gulf of Alaska	TAC	Total Allowable Catch
HAPC	Habitat Areas of Particular Concern	USFWS	United States Fish & Wildlife Service
IFQ	Individual Fishing Quota		
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission		

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**DRAFT AGENDA
197th Plenary Session
North Pacific Fishery Management Council
April 8-14, 2010**

Estimated Time

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

- (a) Approval of Agenda
- (b) Approval of February Minutes

B. REPORTS

(4 hrs)

- B-1 Executive Director's Report (incl. comments on NOAA catch share policy)
- B-2 NMFS Management Report (incl. update on observer program outreach;
freezer longliner catch monitoring discussion)
- B-3 ADF&G Report
- B-4 NOAA Enforcement Report
- B-5 USCG Report
- B-6 USFWS Report
- B-7 Protected Species Report

C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS

- C-1 Steller Sea Lion Biological Opinion (Council only) (2 hrs)
 - (a) Review schedule/ process for pending BiOP and take action as necessary.
- C-2 Charter Halibut Permit Endorsements (Council only) (4 hrs)
 - Review analysis and take final action to clarify permit endorsements.
- C-3 Groundfish Annual Catch Limits (2 hrs)
 - (a) Receive report from Non-Target Species Committee.
 - (b) Final action on Groundfish ACL requirements.
- C-4 GOA Rockfish Program (8 hrs)
 - Initial Review of Analysis for CGOA Limited Access rockfish program.
- C-5 Bering Sea Crab Rationalization Program Issues (4 hrs)
 - (a) Emergency Exemptions from Regionalization – Stakeholder proposals.
 - (b) Final action on WAG King Crab Regional Delivery.

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D. OTHER ISSUES

- D-1 Crab Management (6 hrs)
(a) Preliminary Review of BSAI Crab Annual Catch Limit Analysis and BSAI Snow/Tanner crab rebuilding plans.
(b) Preliminary Review of Pribilof BKC rebuilding plan.
(c) Design of 2010 NOAA/BSFRF field research (SSC Only)
- D-2 Scallop Management (2 hrs)
(a) Review SAFE report.
(b) Preliminary Review of Scallop Annual Catch Limit Analysis.
- D-3 Miscellaneous Groundfish Issues (6 hrs)
(a) Initial Review of analysis for controlling GOA Tanner Crab Bycatch.
(b) Review discussion paper on GOA Chinook Salmon Bycatch.
(c) Review progress on Northern Bering Sea Research Plan.
(d) Receive Amendment 80 Coop report; action as necessary.
(e) Receive report of EFP testing of Chinook salmon excluder.
- D-4 Miscellaneous Issues (6 hrs)
(a) EFH 5 Year Review, action as necessary.
(b) Review and adopt HAPC criteria and priorities.
(c) Report and action as necessary on AI Team TOR
(d) Rural Community Outreach Report; action as necessary.
- D-5 Staff Tasking (4 hrs)
(a) Review Committees and tasking
- D-6 Other Business

(T) = tentative

Total Hours: (48 hrs)

NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Draft Agenda and Schedule

April 2010

	SSC King Salmon/Illiamna	AP Dillingham/Katmai	Council Aleutian Room	
Tuesday Apr 6	8:00 am D-3 Misc Groundfish	8:00 am C-4 GOA Rockfish		
	1:00 pm D-4 Misc Issues	1:00 pm C-4 continued		
Wednesday Apr 7 Enforcement Cmte 9-12 Ecosystem Cmte 1-5 pm	8:00 am Review draft minutes 9:00am D-1 Crab Mgmt	8:00 am C-3 Groundfish ACLs		
	1:00 pm D-2 Scallop Management	1:00 pm C-5 BSAI Crab Issues		
Thursday Apr 8	8:00 am Review draft minutes 9:00am C-4 GOA Rockfish	8:00 am D-1 Crab Mgmt		8:00 am B Reports
	Continue as necessary	1:00 pm D-2 Scallop Mgmt D-3 Misc Groundfish		1:00 pm C-1 SSL BiOp C-2 Charter Halibut
Friday Apr 9		8:00 am D-4 Misc Issues	8:00 am C-2 continued C-3 Groundfish ACLs	
		1:00 pm D-5 Staff Tasking	12:00pm Executive Session (T) 1:00 pm C-4 GOA Rockfish	
Saturday Apr 10		8:00 am C-4 continued		
		1:00 pm C-5 BSAI Crab Issues		
Sunday Apr 11		8:00 am D-1 Crab Management		
		1:00 pm D-1 continued D-2 Scallop Mgmt		
Monday Apr 12	8:00 am D-3 Misc Groundfish			
	1:00 pm D-3 continued			
Tuesday Apr 13	8:00 am D-4 Misc. Issues			
	1:00 pm D-5 Staff Tasking			

NOTE: The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary. All meetings are open to the public with the exception of Council Executive Sessions.

APRIL 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	Crab PT Mtg thru 1 st - Seattle			1	2	3
4	5	6 SSC/AP	7 SSC/AP Ecosystem Committee (T)	8 SSC/AP/Council	9 AP/Council	10 AP/Council
11 AP/Council	12 Council	13 Council NPRB Science Panel thru 16 - Anch	14	15 ComFish thru 17 - Kodiak	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26 Western Groundfish mtg thru 30 - Juneau	27	28	29	30	

MAY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 NPRB thru 6 - Anch	4	5	6 Pcod Model PT conference call - 12:30 (AST)	7	8
9	10 Crab Plan Team thru 14 - Girdwood	11	12	13	14	15
16	17 NSAW thru 20 th - St Petersburg, FL	18	19 Annual CCC mtg thru 21 - Anch - Capt Cook	20	21	22
23/30	24/31 Holiday	25 Observer Committee thru 26 - Sea	26	27	28	29

JUNE 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		1	2	3	4	5
6	7 SSC/AP Sitka	8 SSC/AP	9 SSC/AP/ Council	10 AP/Council	11 AP/Council	12 AP/Council
13 Council	14 Council	15 Council	16	17	18	19
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
27	28	29	30			

JULY 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1	2	3
4	5 Holiday	6	7	8	9	10
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

AUGUST 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18	19	20	21
22 PSMFC annual meeting thru 26 - Girdwood	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30	31				

SEPTEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3	4
5	6 HOLIDAY	7	8	9	10	11
12	13	14 Crab PT meeting thru 16 -Sea	15	16	17	18
19	20 Groundfish PT mtg thru 24 - Sea	21	22	23	24	25
26	27	28 Scallop PT - Anch (T)	29	30		

OCTOBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
3	4 SSC/AP – Captain Cook	5 SSC/AP	6 SSC/AP/Council	7 AP/Council	8 AP/Council	9 Council
10 Council	11 Council HOLIDAY	12 Council	13 BOF – thru 14 - Kenai	14	15	16
17	18 National SSC Workshop thru 21 – Charleston, SC	19	20	21	22 PICES mtg thru 31 – Portland, OR	23
24/31	25	26	27	28	29	30

NOVEMBER 2010

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8 Wakefield Symposium thru 11 - Anch	9	10	11 HOLIDAY	12	13
14	15 BOF thru 17 – Homer Groundfish PT thru 19 - Sea	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25 HOLIDAY	26	27
28	29	30				