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DRAFT AGENDA

46th Plenary Session NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

January 4-8, 1982
Juneau, Alaska

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will convene at 9 a.m. on Monday, January 4, 1982 in Room 770 of the Federal Building, Juneau, Alaska. The Council will meet jointly with the Alaska Board of Fisheries, Tuesday through Thursday, January 5-7, starting at 9 a.m. in the Gold Room of the Baranof Hotel in Juneau. If the Council needs to continue its meeting on Friday, the meeting will be held in Room 770 of the Federal Building in Juneau. The main agenda topic for the Council and Board will be troll salmon issues of mutual concern. The Council hopes to choose preferred options for salmon management in the Alaska FCZ in 1982.

The Council will also hold a public hearing on Amendment #11 to the Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP on Friday, January 8, 1982, at 9 a.m. in Room 117 of the Federal Building, Juneau.

The SSC will convene at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, January 4, in the Capitol Room of the Baranof Hotel and adjourn by 5 p.m. on Tuesday, January 5. The SSC meeting may continue into Wednesday if the need arises.

The Advisory Panel will meet in the Gastineau Room of the Baranof Hotel from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. on Monday, January 4.

All meetings are open to the public.

A G E N D A

A. CALL TO ORDER AND APPROVAL OF AGENDA AND MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

B. SPECIAL REPORTS

B-1 Executive Director's Report

B-2 Update of Polish Joint Venture

B-3 AP and SSC Reports on Non-Agenda Items

C. OLD BUSINESS

C-1 Report on Capital Construction Fund

C-2 Review of Draft Guidelines for Framework FMP

C-3 Other Old Business

D. NEW BUSINESS

D-1 Demonstration of ADF&G data reporting system

D-2 Other New Business

E. FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLANS

E-1 Salmon FMP

Select preferred options for management of the 1982 troll fishery. The PDT/PMT will report on the status of the plan. Reports on the 1981 season, stock status, and state management plans. The Council and Board will discuss salmon management issues of mutual concern and hear public testimony. Set public hearings, if needed, for proposed amendments for 1982.

E-2 Herring FMP

The revised FMP should be ready for the Council's final approval for resubmission to Secretarial Review. The worldwide status of major herring stocks will be reviewed.

E-3 King Crab FMP

The Council needs to discuss the composition of the delegation and a meeting schedule for the walk-through of the FMP in Washington, D.C.

E-4 Tanner Crab FMP

The Crab Pot Storage Workgroup needs to meet in order to submit proposals to the Board by the January 22 deadline and clarify the issues before the March meeting. We recommend that a general proposal be sent to the Board by the January 22 deadline so they can put it on their agenda. A more detailed proposal will be considered at the March Council/Board meeting.

E-5 Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP

The Council will review Amendment #11. A public hearing is scheduled for Friday morning at 9 a.m. at the Federal Building, Room 117.

E-6 Bering Sea/Aleutian Islands Groundfish FMP

The status of the FMP and its amendments will be reviewed. The Council will review provisions of Amendment #4 changing DAH and Pacific cod OY for 1982.

F. CONTRACTS, PROPOSALS, AND FINANCIAL REPORTS

F-1 Status of Contracts and RFP's

- (a) Report on Status of Existing Contracts. Approval of Contract 80-4, "To Expand and Enhance the Domestic Commercial Fisheries Catch Data Reporting System Off Alaska."
- (b) King and Tanner Crab Observer Program
Fishermen's Conference

F-2 Financial Status Report

G. PUBLIC COMMENTS

H. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING COMMENTS AND ADJOURNMENT

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SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE December 11, 1981

The SSC will meet in the Capitol Room of the Baranof Hotel in Juneau, beginning at 1:30 p.m. on Monday, January 4th and continuing on January 5th and 6th as necessary to complete the agenda items.

1. Salmon FMP (E-1)

The SSC should review the proposed amendments to the FMP and other documents for the 1982 management of the fishery. SSC recommendations on any proposed changes will be needed by the Council.

The salmon PMT will make a report to the SSC on the proposed changes and on the meeting of the PMT, PDT and others which will be held on January 3rd.

2. Herring FMP (E-2)

The SSC needs to review and make final recommendation on the changes to the FMP presented by the PMT at the December meeting. The SSC prepared a list of questions for the PMT's response to provide further information on some of the changes. The PMT will be available at the meeting to discuss these responses with the SSC.

3. Gulf of Alaska Groundfish FMP (E-5)

The SSC will review the paper presented at the December meeting "A Simulation Model for Sablefish in the Gulf of Alaska" by Terry and Balsiger. Any questions on the model resulting from this review can then be sent to the authors so they can respond at the March meeting. The Council postponed decision on Amendment #11 to the FMP until March to allow review of this model.

4. Contracts and Proposals

The Crab Observer Program Committee has developed a proposal titled "Determination of the Feasibility of a Crab Observer Program in Providing Specific Data Needs for the Management of the King and Tanner Crab Fisheries." The SSC should review this proposal and pass on any suggestions and recommendations on the program to the Council.

Natural Resource Consultants has re-submitted the project proposal, under different format, which was originally presented to the Council at the September meeting. The proposal is titled "A Review of the Management Process, Strategies and Procedures of the King Crab Fishery." This proposal has been sent to individuals at NMFS and ADF&G for their review, which should be available at the SSC meeting. The SSC should discuss this proposal and make their comments and recommendations on the project to the Council.

The SSC subgroup monitoring contract 80-4 "To Expand and Enhance the Domestic Commercial Fisheries Catch Data Reporting System Off Alaska" plans to visit ADF&G to observe the capabilities of the system. Other SSC members interested in attending this demonstration should so inform Jim Richardson at the beginning of the SSC meeting.

SSC members are in the process of developing RFP's for "Feasibility of Using Scale Pattern Analysis to Identify Bering Sea Herring Stocks," "High Seas Tagging of Salmon" and "Analysis of Southeastern Salmon Scale Patterns." These should be reviewed at the meeting if available.

5. Other Business

The SSC has been mailed a draft guideline for framework FMP's, developed by NMFS personnel. They should review this document and make any suggestions or recommendations on the document or on framework FMP's to the Council.