

# **Ecosystem Committee DRAFT Agenda**

Tuesday, March 29, 2011 1 - 5pm

**NOTE: Meeting is in the NPFMC conference room**

**Behind the Hilton, in the  
Old Federal Building  
605 W 4<sup>th</sup> Ave, Room 205**

## **1. EFH omnibus amendments – final action**

- Action 1 Update BSAI Groundfish FMP species EFH descriptions
- Action 2 Update GOA Groundfish FMP species EFH descriptions
- Action 3 Update BSAI King and Tanner Crab FMP species EFH descriptions
- Action 4 Update Scallop FMP species EFH description
- Action 5 Update non-fishing effects EFH recommendations in all 6 Council FMPs
- Action 6 Change default timing for HAPC process from 3 to 5 years in all 6 Council FMPs
- Action 7 Update research approach in all Council FMPs except Arctic

## **2. Bristol Bay red king crab discussion paper**

- Paper addresses Crab Plan Team concerns with a) 2005 effects of fishing analysis, and b) a particular area in southwest Bristol Bay that may be important habitat for red king crab
- Provide recommendations for Council on what to do with discussion paper (e.g., no action, further work by staff, initiate analysis)

## **3. General discussion of ecosystem issues by the Ecosystem Committee**

- What is the big picture of the health of the respective ecosystems? How might we do further work in Alaska to look at those questions? What work is being done in other areas (e.g., Europe)? What could we ask the agency to provide us regarding issues or major concerns that we might discuss? Should we develop comments to the Council regarding such issues?