

# North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**214th Plenary Session**  
**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
**June 5-12, 2013**  
**Centennial Hall**  
**Juneau, AK**

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Centennial Hall 101 Eagan Drive, Ballroom 3, Juneau, AK. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

<u>Committee/Panel</u>	<u>Beginning</u>
Scientific and Statistical Committee	June 3-5, 2013 – Ballroom 2
Advisory Panel	June 4-8, 2013 – Ballroom 1
<del>Enforcement Committee</del>	<del>June 4, 2013 – 1pm-4pm – Goldbelt Hotel</del>
Ecosystem Committee	June 4, 2013 – 10am-5pm – Federal Bldg, Sustainable Fisheries Conference room – 4 <sup>th</sup> floor
Observer Advisory Committee	June 3-4, 2013 – 8-5 pm – 8-1pm – Federal Building, Regional Conference room – 4 <sup>th</sup> floor
BOF/Council Joint Protocol meeting	June 12, 2013 – 9am-5pm - Ballroom 3

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 May 28, 2013**. 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, fax or email. **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.

Submission of EMAIL Comments: The Council is accepting email comments at one email address: [npfmc.comments@noaa.gov](mailto:npfmc.comments@noaa.gov)

The Comments must identify the submitter by legal name, affiliation, and date, and must also identify the specific agenda item by number (C-1(a) for example), and must be submitted by the comment deadline.

Comments received under these conditions, will be sorted, copied, and included in the Council notebooks. PDF attachments will be accepted, as long as the above criteria are met. Comment received after the deadline will not be copied and distributed, but will be treated the same as written late comments. Emails submitted for the comments must be to the above address, and not to specific Council staff or Council members. Additionally, email comments will only be accepted on items that are on the scheduled agenda. A return receipt will be issued automatically upon opening the electronic comment

### **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**

AI - Aleutian Islands	GKC - Golden King Crab
AFA - American Fisheries Act	GHL - Guideline Harvest Level
BBRKC - Bristol Bay Red King Crab	HAPC - Habitat Areas of Particular Concern
BiOp - Biological Opinion	IBA - Individual Bycatch Accounting
BKC - Blue King Crab	IBQ - Individual Bycatch Quota
BSAI - Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	ICA - Inter-cooperative Agreements
BSFRF - Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation	IFQ - Individual Fishing Quota
BSIERP - Bering Sea Integrated Ecosystem Research Program	IPQ - Individual Processor Quotas
AK BOF - Alaska Board of Fisheries	IPA - Incentive Program Agreements
CDQ - Community Development Quota	MPA - Marine Protected Area
CIE - Center for Independent Experts	NOI - Notice of Intent
CGOA - Central Gulf of Alaska	PSEIS - Programmatic Supplemental Impact Statement
CQE - Community Quota Entity	PSC - Prohibited Species Catch
EDR - Economic Data Reporting	RKC - Red King Crab
EFP - Exempted Fishing Permit	ROFR - Right of First Refusal
EIS - Environmental Impact Statement	SAFE - Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
EFH - Essential Fish Habitat	SSL - Steller Sea Lion
FLL - Freezer longliners	TAC - Total Allowable Catch
GOA - Gulf of Alaska	VMS - Vessel Monitoring System

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

May 31, 2013

**DRAFT AGENDA  
214<sup>th</sup> Plenary Session  
North Pacific Fishery Management Council  
June 5-11, 2013**

- | <b>A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER</b>   | <b>Estimated Time</b> |
|---|-----------------------|
| (a) Approval of Agenda<br>(b) Approval of Minutes   |                       |
| <b>B. REPORTS</b>   | <b>(6 hrs)</b>        |
| B-1 Executive Director's Report (including ASMI update)   |                       |
| B-2 NMFS Management Report (including flow scale discussion paper; update on halibut/sablefish IFQ leasing prohibition; habitat/EFH update)   |                       |
| B-3 NOAA Enforcement Report   |                       |
| B-4 ADF&G Report  |                       |
| B-5 USCG Report   |                       |
| B-6 USFWS Report  |                       |
| B-7 Protected Species Report (including: Progress report/feedback on PPA, and BiOp analytical Approach, and GC report on litigation)          |                       |
| <b>C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS</b>   |                       |
| C-1 <u>BSAI Crab</u>  | <b>(2 hrs)</b>        |
| (a) Receive Crab Plan Team report.  |                       |
| (b) Set final OFL/ABC specifications for 4 stocks.  |                       |
| C-2 <u>Freezer Longline Issues</u>  | <b>(4 hrs)</b>        |
| Final action on GOA Pacific cod sideboards.   |                       |
| C-3 <u>Observer Program</u>   | <b>(6 hrs)</b>        |
| (a) Review EM strategic plan and first year performance report.   |                       |
| (b) Review OAC report.  |                       |
| (c) Review 3rd Party discussion paper. (T)  |                       |
| C-4 <u>GOA Salmon Chinook Bycatch</u>   | <b>(12 hrs)</b>       |
| Final action on GOA Chinook salmon bycatch in non-pollock trawl fisheries.  |                       |
| C-5 <u>GOA Trawl Bycatch</u>  | <b>(12 hrs)</b>       |
| (a) Discussion paper on GOA Trawl Bycatch management/ roadmap.  |                       |
| (b) Initial review on GOA Trawl Data Collection.  |                       |
| (c) Tendering report.   |                       |
| C-6 <u>LAPP Cost Recovery</u>   | <b>(2 hrs)</b>        |
| Council recommendation on cost recovery programs for AFA, Amendment 80, CDQ groundfish/halibut and Bering Sea cod freezer longline coalition. |                       |
| C-7 <u>Bering Sea Canyons</u>   | <b>(6 hrs)</b>        |
| (a) Review updated AFSC report.   |                       |
| (b) Discussion paper on fishing activities and management.  |                       |

**D. OTHER ISSUES**

D-1 Miscellaneous Issues (4 hrs)

(a) Initial review of analysis regarding definition of fishing guide. (Council only)

(b) Update on H/S IFQ discussion papers (GOA sablefish pots, BSAI sablefish A-share caps).

(c) Approve Research Priorities.

(d) Pacific cod model presentation. (SSC only)

D-2 Staff Tasking (2 hrs)

Review Committees and tasking.

((T) = tentative)

Total Hours: (56 hrs)

**Draft Agenda and Schedule**

**JUNE 2013**

	<b>SSC Ballroom 2</b>	<b>AP Ballroom 1</b>	<b>Council Ballroom 3</b>
<b>Monday Jun 3</b>	8:00 am C-1 BSAI Crab		
	1:00 pm C-7 Bering Sea Canyons		
<b>Tuesday Jun 4</b> TSMRI tours 2-8pm	8:00 am C-5(b) GOA Trawl Data Collection B-7 SSL BiOp methods/PPA feedback	8:00 am C-2 Freezer Longline Issues C-1 BSAI Crab	
	1:00 pm B-7 continued D-1(c) Research Priorities	1:00 pm C-3 Observer Program	
<b>Wednesday Jun 5</b> Community reception – Hangar – 6pm	8:00 am P Cod model	8:00 am C-7 Bering Sea Canyons	8:00 am B report
	1:00 pm continue as necessary	1:00 pm C-4 GOA Salmon Chinook Bycatch	1:00 pm C-1 BSAI Crab C-2 Freezer Longline Issues
<b>Thursday Jun 6</b>		8:00 am C-4 continued	8:00 am C-2 continued C-3 Observer Program
		1:00 pm C-5 GOA Trawl Bycatch	1:00 pm C-3 continued
<b>Friday Jun 7</b>		8:00 am C-5 continued C-6 LAPP Cost Recovery	8:00 am C-4 GOA Salmon Chinook Bycatch
		1:00 pm D-1 Miscellaneous Issues D-2 Staff Tasking	12:00pm <b>Executive Session</b> 1:00 pm C-4 continued
<b>Saturday Jun 8</b> Presentation on Salmon Excluder EFP – 12pm – Ballroom 3		8:00 am continue as necessary	8:00 am C-4 continued
		1:00 pm	1:00 pm C-5 GOA Trawl Bycatch
<b>Sunday Jun 9</b>			8:00 am C-5 continued
			1:00 pm C-6 LAPP Cost Recovery C-7 Bering Sea Canyons
<b>Monday Jun 10</b>			8:00 am C-7 continued
			1:00 pm D-1 Miscellaneous Issues
<b>Tuesday Jun 11</b>			8:00 am D-2 Staff Tasking
			1:00 pm continue as necessary
<b>Wednesday Jun 12</b>	<b>JOINT PROTOCOL MEETING Ballroom 3</b>		9:00 am See attached agenda
			1:00 pm continued

**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.**

**DRAFT AGENDA  
JOINT PROTOCOL COMMITTEE**

(North Pacific Fishery Management Council/Alaska Board of Fisheries)

Wednesday, June 12, 2013 – 9:00 am to 5:00 pm

Juneau, Alaska – Centennial Hall

- I. Introductions and review of agenda (Mr. Olson will Chair)
- II. Staff Reports
  - A. Update on Council action on Gulf of Alaska non-pollock Chinook bycatch (Council staff)
  - B. Update on other Council action regarding salmon bycatch (Council staff)
  - C. Update on Council initiative for Gulf of Alaska trawl bycatch management (Council staff)
  - D. Update on Council actions regarding restructured observer program and electronic monitoring (Council staff)
  - E. Update on status of Steller sea lion EIS and associated issues, including Aleutian Islands shoreside processing provisions and relationship to Board of Fish state water groundfish fishery proposals (Council staff)
  - F. Update on definition of a fishing guide and coordination of state and federal regulations (Council and state staff)
  - G. Report on Pacific cod and other groundfish proposals to the Board of Fish (ADF&G staff)
- III. Public testimony
- IV. Committee discussion of Agenda items A through G
- V. Determination of next Protocol Committee meeting or full meeting of the Council/Board
- VI. Other business
- VII. Adjourn

## JUNE 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1
2	3 SSC – Juneau OAC thru noon 4 <sup>th</sup> – NMFS office	4 SSC/AP Ecosystem – NMFS Office	5 SSC/AP/Council	6 AP/Council	7 AP/Council	8 AP/Council
9 Council	10 Council	11 Council	12 Joint Protocol Committee - Juneau	13	14	15
16	17	18	19	20	21	22
23/30	24	25	26	27 Fisheries Forum – thru 28 – Annapolis, MD	28	29

## JULY 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2	3	4 HOLIDAY	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15 World Conference on Stock Assessment Methods thru 19 - Boston	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

## AUGUST 2013

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	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

## SEPTEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1	2 HOLIDAY	3	4	5	6	7
8	9	10 Groundfish PT thru 13 - Sea  NPRB Advisory Panel thru 12 - Anch	11	12	13	14
15	16 NPRB Board Mtg thru 20 - Nome, AK	17 Crab PT thru 20 - Sea	18	19	20	21
22	23 SSLMC thru - 27 (T)	24	25	26	27	28
29	30 SSC - Hilton					



# OCTOBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> SSC/AP	<b>2</b> SSC/AP/Council	<b>3</b> AP/Council	<b>4</b> AP/Council	<b>5</b> AP/Council
<b>6</b> Council	<b>7</b> Council	<b>8</b> Council	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>
<b>13</b>	<b>14</b> HOLIDAY	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>
<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> New Council member training thru 24 - Silver Springs, MD	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>		

# NOVEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>
<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> HOLIDAY	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>18</b> Groundfish PT thru 22 - Sea	<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> HOLIDAY	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

# DECEMBER 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b> IPHC Interim mtg thru 5 - Sea	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>
<b>8</b>	<b>9</b> SSC - Hilton	<b>10</b> SSC/AP	<b>11</b> SSC/AP/Council	<b>12</b> AP/Council	<b>13</b> AP/Council	<b>14</b> AP/Council
<b>15</b> Council	<b>16</b> Council	<b>17</b> Council	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>
<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> HOLIDAY	<b>26</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>28</b>
<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>31</b>				