

COUNCIL PROCESS IDEAS FOR CHANGE: JUNE 2022 PROGRESS REPORT

In April, Council prioritized 5 ideas

- Those potentially ready for Council action/feedback:
 - Changes to the AP/SSC nomination process
 - Frequency of Council B reports (agency reports)
 - Internet capacity in remote communities / Council priorities
- Progress report only, more info in October:
 - Harvest specifications timing
 - Annual meeting schedule changes



CHANGES TO AP/SSC NOMINATIONS

- Timing: call for nominations at June meeting rather than October
 - Provides 4-6 weeks for Council members to review candidate materials
- Advisory Panel issues
 - Clarify if Council is soliciting for full 3-year terms, partial terms (to reflect 2022 1-year appointments), probationary or specialized 1-year terms
 - Add language to AP handbook on Council expectations, e.g.: experience or ability to work professionally in public, high-pressure environment requiring problem solving skills and compromise to achieve resolution
 - Add prompts to solicitation for candidates to address in their nomination letter
 - Other issues (need not be decided at this meeting): mentorship opportunities for new members, whether to keep term limit as three 3-year terms, or 9 years

SSC issues

- Dialogue with SSC on expertise needed in new membership



B REPORTS AT THE COUNCIL

- Table in paper compares 2019 vs 2021 time spent on B reports (p5)
 - 2019 (pre-pandemic) – average 4h21m; 2021 (virtual) – average 2h16m
- Council direction on standard practice for B reports
 - **Pre-pandemic:** requested both written and oral briefings from all agencies at each meeting, as well as some annual reports (Appx 1, p8)
 - **Virtual:** written reports only, unless Council or agency asks for an oral briefing on some component
 - Do we continue to want agency staff on call for potential questions?
 - Do you still want a prompt for each written report, with key topics covered?
 - **Combination:** primarily written reports for most meetings unless specific request, but plan for oral briefing e.g. once a year (or biennial for those previously annual)



REMOTE TESTIMONY IN COMMUNITIES

- What should be minimum standard for whether we can meet in a community?
 - ☑ eAgenda access
 - ☑ Broadcast Council
 - ? Remote testimony at Council
 - ? Broadcast/testimony at AP/SSC
- Sitka is first test of hybrid (all 4 components) in community with lower available internet bandwidth
 - If successful, will likely be able to also hold Council meetings in Kodiak, Juneau
 - Will continue to evaluate other communities as situation is dynamic, but Nome, Homer currently not sufficient internet



HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS TIMING

- Complex because a lot of persons, agencies to consult; cascading effects
- Staff is consulting with agency staff, Plan Teams; industry
- Will bring back report in October



MEETING CYCLE TIMING / DROP A MEETING

- As closely tied to harvest specifications – will bring back recommendations in October
- Some updates:
 - Committed to February 2023 in Seattle
 - Could move the Feb 2024 Seattle contract to different dates if available
 - There are opportunities to avoid overlap with PFMC
 - But more conflicts in March with school spring breaks
 - Will continue to explore changes to Council workload that might enable dropping a meeting

