



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC December 2021 - 257th

December 2-16, 2021

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*Related meeting: Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), December 2-3rd, and December 6-9th, 2021; [AGENDA](#)*

## A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

### A1 Approval of Agenda

**Attachments:** [Schedule \(link\)](#)

[Guidelines for Discussion](#)

[Documents for review with release dates](#)

[Short Summary of Agenda Items](#)

[Meeting Audio](#)

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[December Time Log](#)

[December Final Council Summary](#)

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## B. REPORTS

### B1 Executive Director's Report

**Attachments:** [B1 ED report December 2021](#)  
[B1 Ocean Acidification Podcast and Op-Ed](#)  
[B1 A80 Sector Report on Halibut](#)  
[B1 Staff Notes on ATB Topics](#)  
[PPT B Report](#)

### B2 NMFS Management Report

**Attachments:** [B2 NMFS Report Dec 2021](#)  
[B2 Observer Provider Insurance Proposed Rule](#)  
[B2 2022 Final ADP for Observers and EM](#)  
[B2 BSAI Inseason Management Report 2021](#)  
[B2 GOA Inseason Management Report 2021](#)  
[PPT B2 Groundfish management](#)

### B3 NOAA General Counsel Report

**Attachments:** [B3 Designated Officials Memorandum](#)  
[B3 Recusal Determinations](#)  
[B3 General Counsel Report](#)

### B4 NOAA Enforcement Report

**Attachments:** [B4 2021 December OLE Report](#)

### B5 ADF&G Report

**Attachments:** [B5 ADFG Report](#)  
[B5 Herring biomass estimate - EBS 2022](#)  
[B5 Alaska Bycatch Review Taskforce info](#)  
[B5 Subsistence Harvest of Pacific Halibut 2020](#)

### B6 USCG Report

**Attachments:** [B6 USGC Report](#)

### B7 USFWS Report

**Attachments:** [B7 USFWS Report](#)  
[B7 New Contact Rep - Fasbender](#)

### B8 Public Comment on B1 through B8 agenda items

### B9 SSC Report

**Attachments:** [B9 SSC Report-DRAFT](#)  
[PPT SSC JPT & BSAI Report](#)  
[PPT SSC C4 GOA Report](#)  
[SSC FINAL Report Dec 2021](#)

### B10 AP Report

**Attachments:** [AP Minutes December 2021](#)

[PPT C2 AP Motion](#)[PPT C3 C4 AP Motions](#)**C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS****C1 C1 Charter halibut - 2022 annual management measures, Committee report****Attachments:**[C1 Action Memo](#)[Oct Charter Halibut eAgenda \(link\)](#)[C1 Charter Halibut Management Committee October Report](#)[C1 Analysis of Charter Mgmt Options for 2022](#)[Dec. Charter Halibut eAgenda \(link\)](#)[C1 Dec. Charter Halibut Management Report](#)[PPT AP C1 Charter Halibut Intro and Committee Recommendations](#)[PPT AP C1 Charter Management Options](#)[PPT Council C1 Charter Halibut Intro and Committee Recommendations](#)[PPT Council C1 Charter management options 2022](#)[C1 AP Motion](#)[C1 Council Motion](#)**C2 C2 BSAI Halibut abundance-based management (ABM) - Final action****Attachments:**[C2 ABM Action Memo](#)[C2 Halibut ABM Draft Environmental Impact Statement](#)[Comments submitted on DEIS \(link\)](#)[C2 Comments Summary Report](#)[C2 EBS trawl and Setline survey values 1998-2021](#)[PPT AP C2 ABM DEIS](#)[PPT AP C2 ABM NMFS Update](#)[PPT AP C2 ABM DEIS Supplemental](#)[C2 Halibut ABM Listening Session Summary 11-29-21](#)[C2 Halibut ABM Consultation Notes 11-24-21](#)[C2 Halibut ABM APIA Consultation Notes 7-16-21](#)[PPT Council C2 ABM NMFS](#)[PPT Council C2 ABM DEIS](#)[C2 AP Motion](#)[C2 Council Motion](#)**C3 C3 BSAI Groundfish - Final harvest specifications, Joint and BSAI Plan Team reports, Ecosystem Status Reports****Attachments:**[C3 Action Memo](#)[C3 BSAI November 2021 Plan Team Minutes](#)[C3 C4 JOINT November 2021 Plan Team Minutes](#)[LINK C3 EBS Ecosystem Status Report](#)[LINK C3 AI Ecosystem Status Report](#)[C3 BSAI Introduction](#)[LINK to all SAFE Chapters](#)[LINK to Groundfish Plan Team Agenda Nov 2021](#)[C3 BSAI Groundfish Plan Team Proposed OFL ABC 2022-23](#)[C3 BSAI Groundfish Tables 7-12](#)[C3 Pcod GHL max TAC 2022-2023](#)

[C3 Herring biomass estimate - EBS 2022](#)  
[C3 BSAI Groundfish Tables 7-12 Updated](#)  
[PPT AP C3 AI ESR 2021](#)  
[PPT AP C3 EBS ESR 2021](#)  
[PPT AP C3 EBS pollock](#)  
[PPT AP C3 BSAI Plan Team Report](#)  
[C3 BSAI Groundfish Specs SSC Recommendations UPDATED](#)  
[C3 AP Motion](#)  
[PPT Council C3 AI ESR](#)  
[C3 AI ESR Brief 2021 draft](#)  
[PPT Council C3 EBS ESR](#)  
[C3 EBS ESR In-Brief - Draft](#)  
[PPT Council C3 Joint PT Report](#)  
[PPT Council C3 BSAI Plan Team report](#)  
[PPT Council C3 EBS Pollock](#)  
[C3 Council Motion](#)  
[C3 Council Motion-discussion paper](#)

**C4 C4 GOA Groundfish - Final harvest specifications, GOA Plan Team report, Ecosystem Status Report**

**Attachments:**

[C4 Action Memo](#)  
[C4 GOA November 2021 Plan Team Minutes](#)  
[C3 C4 JOINT November 2021 Plan Team Minutes](#)  
[C4 GOA Intro](#)  
[LINK C4 GOA Ecosystem Status Report](#)  
[Link to all SAFE Chapters](#)  
[LINK to Groundfish Plan Team Agenda Nov 2021](#)  
[C4 GOA Plan Team Proposed Groundfish Table 1 OFL ABC 2022-23](#)  
[C4 GOA Plan Team Proposed Groundfish Tables 2 and 14-17](#)  
[C4 GOA-ESR Brief 2021](#)  
[PPT AP C4 GOA ESR 2021](#)  
[PPT AP C4 GOA Plan Team Report](#)  
[PPT AP C4 Joint Plan Team report](#)  
[C4 GOA Groundfish Tables 2 and 14-17 Updated SSC](#)  
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[PPT Council C4 GOA PT Report](#)  
[C4 Council Motion](#)

**D. OTHER ISSUES**

**D1 D1 Red King Crab Savings Area Extension - Consideration of emergency action request (COUNCIL ONLY)**

**Attachments:**

[D1 Action Memo](#)  
[D1 RKCSA ER Analysis](#)  
[D1 Emergency Rule Policy Guidelines](#)  
[PPT D1 RKC ER](#)  
[D1 RKC ER\\_PSC Figure](#)

**E. STAFF TASKING / COMMITTEES**

**E1 E Committees, New Business, and Tasking**

**Attachments:**

[E action memo - Dec 2021](#)  
[E 3 Meeting Outlook - PRE-MEETING Draft](#)  
[E Council staff one page - Dec 2021](#)  
[E Groundfish Workplan 2021-12](#)  
[E Draft February 2021 agenda - VIRTUAL](#)  
[E NPFMC Committees](#)  
[PPT AP E Staff tasking - Dec 2021](#)  
[E Draft NPFMC comments to NOAA on America the Beautiful](#)  
[E 3 Meeting Outlook - DURING MTG](#)  
[PPT E Staff tasking - Council Dec 2021](#)  
[E Council Motion on BBRKC](#)  
[E Dec 2021 - Appointments](#)