



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC Council/AP December 2023 - 267th

December 4-12, 2023

**Council**, December 7-12, 2023; Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska; 8am-5pm

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**Advisory Panel**, December 5-8, 2023; Hilton Hotel, Anchorage, Alaska; 8am-5pm

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*Related meetings:*

*Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), December 4-6, 2023; [AGENDA](#)*

## A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A1 Approval of Agenda

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

[Pre-Meeting Review Documents \(link\)](#)

[December 2023 Time Log](#)

[YouTube Recordings \(LINK\)](#)

[Newsletter \(LINK\)](#)

[Council Summary December 2023](#)

## B. REPORTS

- B1 Executive Director's Report (including CCC update, IRA funding workplan, GOA Pacific cod allocation review) (oral)**

**Attachments:** [B1 ED report December 2023](#)  
[B1 DeFilippo BSAI GPT Nomination](#)  
[B1 Nichols Crab Plan Team Nomination](#)  
[B1 SSC WDFW Alt Resume Caltabellotta Fabio](#)  
[B1 October 2023 CCC Report](#)  
[B1 GOA Pacific Cod Allocation Review](#)  
[B1 IRA Funding Staff Workplan](#)  
[B1 AMCC Flyer - The Deep Event](#)  
[B1 Alaska Marina Science Symposium At A Glance Schedule](#)  
[PPT B1 GOA Pcod Allocation Review](#)  
[PPT B1 IRA Workplan](#)

- B2 NMFS Management Report (including Cook Inlet Salmon Secretarial FMP amendment, Final Observer Annual Deployment Plan, year-end in-season management report, Aquaculture Opportunity Areas RFI) (oral)**

**Attachments:** [B2 NMFS Report](#)  
[B2 Status of FMP Amendments](#)  
[B2 FR Proposed Rule on Cook Inlet Salmon](#)  
[Link to Provide Comments for Cook Inlet Salmon FMP amendment Proposed Rule](#)  
[B2 Aquaculture Opportunity Areas Fact Sheet](#)  
[B2 EEJ Townhall Flyer](#)  
[B2 Final 2024 ADP](#)  
[B2 Guided Angler Fish Report](#)  
[PPT B2 BSAI Inseason Management Report](#)  
[PPT B2 GOA Inseason Management Report](#)  
[PPT B2 Aquaculture Opportunity Areas - Full](#)  
[PPT B2 Short Update AOA](#)  
[PPT B2 NMFS Cook Inlet Salmon Report](#)

- B3 NOAA General Counsel Report**

**Attachments:** [B3 Designated Official Memorandum](#)  
[B3 Recusal Determinations - December 2023](#)  
[B3 Litigation Update - AVCP v. NMFS](#)

- B4 NOAA Enforcement Report**

**Attachments:** [B4 OLE Report](#)  
[B4 Lagerwey Tribute](#)

- B5 ADF&G Report (oral)**

**Attachments:** [B5 ADFG Report to NPFMC December 2023](#)  
[PPT B5 ADF&G Report](#)

- B6 USCG Report**

- Attachments:** [B6 USCG Report](#)
- B7 USFWS Report**
- Attachments:** [B7 USFWS Report December 2023](#)
- B8 Industry reports on 2023 crab avoidance**
- Attachments:** [B8 Action Memo](#)  
[PPT B8 Alaska Seafood Cooperative](#)  
[PPT B8 At-sea Processors Association](#)  
[PPT B8 Freezer Longline Coalition](#)  
[PPT B8 Midwater Trawlers Cooperative](#)  
[PPT B8 United Catcher Boats](#)
- B9 Public Comment on B1 through B8 agenda items**
- Attachments:** [B Motion- Cod Allocation Review](#)
- B10 SSC Report**
- Attachments:** [PPT SSC to Council JGPT\\_BSAI Specs](#)  
[C3 SSC Report Dec 2023\\_DRAFT\\_to\\_Council\\_JGPT-BSAI](#)  
[SSC Report Dec 2023\\_DRAFT](#)  
[PPT to Council\\_Balance of Report](#)  
[SSC Report Dec 2023\\_FINAL](#)
- B11 AP Report**
- Attachments:** [PPT AP admin issues Dec 2023](#)  
[AP Report December 2023](#)

### C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS

- C1 C1 Crab C share recent participation requirement – Final action**
- Attachments:** [C1 Action Memo](#)  
[C1 Crab C Shares Analysis](#)  
[C1 Crab C Shares Addendum](#)  
[C1 PNCIAC November 2023 Report](#)  
[PPT AP C1 Crab C Share](#)  
[C1 AP Report](#)  
[PPT Council C1 Crab C Share](#)  
[C1 Motion](#)
- C2 C2 Crab facility use cap – Final action**
- Attachments:** [C2 Action Memo](#)  
[C2 Crab Facility Use Caps](#)  
[C2 PNCIAC November 2023 Report](#)  
[PPT AP C2 Crab Processing Use Cap](#)  
[C2 AP Report](#)  
[PPT C2 Crab Processing Use Cap](#)  
[C2 Motion](#)
- C3 C3 BSAI Groundfish specifications – review BS and AI Ecosystem Status Reports, SAFE report; adopt ABC/OFLs; Joint Groundfish Plan Teams and BSAI Groundfish Plan Team reports**
- Attachments:** [C3 Action Memo](#)  
[C3 BSAI Groundfish PT November eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C3 Joint Groundfish PT Report November 2023](#)  
[C3 BSAI Groundfish PT Report November 2023](#)  
[C3 BSAI Plan Team OFLs and ABCs 2024\\_2025\\_Table 1](#)

[C3 BSAI Specifications Tables 14-19](#)  
[C3 BSAI SAFE Introduction](#)  
[SAFE Reports \(link\)](#)  
[C3 Eastern Bering Sea ESR](#)  
[C3 Aleutian Islands ESR](#)  
[C3 Herring biomass estimate - EBS 2024](#)  
[C3 IPHC ltr to NOAA Fisheries](#)  
[C3 EBS ESR Brief Draft](#)  
[C3 AI ESR Brief Draft](#)  
[PPT AP C3 AI ESR](#)  
[PPT AP C3 Joint GPT Report](#)  
[PPT AP C3 BSAI GPT Report](#)  
[PPT C3 AP Actions BSAI specifications](#)  
[PPT AP C3 EBS Pollock](#)  
[PPT C3 AI ESR](#)  
[PPT C3 EBS ESR](#)  
[PPT C3 GOA ESR](#)  
[PPT C3 Joint GPT Report](#)  
[PPT C3 BSAI GPT Report](#)  
[PPT C3 EBS Pollock](#)  
[C3 AP Report](#)  
[C3 Motion](#)

**C4 C4 GOA Groundfish specifications - review GOA Ecosystem Status Report, SAFE report; adopt ABC/OFLs; GOA Groundfish Plan Team report**

**Attachments:**

[C4 Action Memo](#)  
[C4 GOA Groundfish PT November eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C4 GOA Groundfish PT Report November 2023](#)  
[C4 GOA PT 2024-2025 Recommended ABC-OFLs Table 1](#)  
[C4 Additional Tables GOA Groundfish 2024 - 2025](#)  
[SAFE Reports \(link\)](#)  
[C4 GOA SAFE introduction](#)  
[C4 GOA ESR](#)  
[C4 GOA ESR Brief Draft](#)  
[PPT AP C4 GOA ESR](#)  
[PPT AP C4 GOA GPT Report](#)  
[C4 AP Report](#)  
[PPT C4 GOA GPT Report](#)  
[C4 Motion - GOA Specs](#)  
[C4 Motion - Socio-economic indicators](#)  
[C4 Motion - Spatial Management Policy](#)

**C5 C5 EFH FMP amendments – Initial/Final action**

**Attachments:**

[C5 Action Memo](#)  
[C5 EFH EA Omnibus Amendments Analysis](#)  
[C5 Appendix A - BSAI Groundfish](#)  
[C5 Appendix B - GOA Groundfish](#)

[C5 Appendix C - BSAI Crab](#)

[C5 Appendix D - Arctic](#)

[C5 Appendix E - Salmon](#)

[PPT C5 FMP Amendments](#)

[C5 AP Report](#)

[C5 Motion](#)

**C6 C6 Crab FMP housekeeping amendment – Initial/Final action**

**Attachments:**

[C6 Action Memo](#)

[C6 BSAI KTC FMP Analysis](#)

[C6 BSAI King and Tanner Crab Revised FMP](#)

[C6 Revised Crab FMP with trackchanges](#)

[PPT C6 BSAI KTC Housekeeping Amendment](#)

[C6 AP Report](#)

[C6 Motion](#)

**C7 C7 2024 Charter halibut management measures – Final action; Committee report**

**Attachments:**

[C7 Action Memo](#)

[C7 October 2023 Charter Halibut Committee eAgenda \(link\)](#)

[C7 October 2023 Charter Halibut Committee Report](#)

[C7 December 2023 Charter Halibut Committee Report](#)

[C7 Analysis of Management Options for the Area 2C and 3A 2024 - Revised](#)

[C7 Charter Halibut Management Timeline](#)

[C7 Charter Halibut Committee Terms of Reference\\_updated](#)

[PPT AP C7 Charter Management Options 2024](#)

[C7 AP Report](#)

[PPT C7 Charter Management Options 2024](#)

[PPT C7 Charter Halibut Committee Recommendations](#)

[C7 Motion](#)

**D. OTHER ISSUES**

**D1 D1 GOA Tanner crab protections – Review discussion paper - POSTPONED UNTIL 2024**

**D2 D2 BS FEP Climate Change Taskforce – Review workplan, report**

**Attachments:**

[D2 Action Memo](#)

[BS FEP CCTF November eAgenda \(link\)](#)

[D2 CCTF November Report](#)

[PPT AP D2 CCTF](#)

[PPT D2 CCTF](#)

[D2 AP Report](#)

**E. STAFF TASKING / COMMITTEES**

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

**Attachments:**

[E Action Memo](#)

[E 3 Meeting Outlook - PRE MEETING](#)

[E NPFMC Committees](#)

[E Council staff one page - Dec 2023](#)

[E1 Groundfish Workplan 2023-12](#)

[E Prelim Draft February 2024 Council schedule](#)

[E Observer Analytical Task list](#)

[E Summary of Finance Committee meeting December 2023](#)

[E Charter Halibut Timeline \(LINK\)](#)

[E Draft PT Handbook](#)

[E AP Report](#)

[E 3 Meeting Outlook - DURING MEETING](#)

[E Motion - Halibut Regs](#)

[E Motion - IRA workplan DRAFT](#)

[E Appointments December 2023](#)