NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL
NPFMC Council/AP October 2024 - 271st
September 30-8, 2024

Council, September 30-October 8, 2024; Egan Center, Anchorage, Alaska; 8am-5pm

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Related meetings:

Scientific and Statistical Committee *(SSC), September 30-Oct 2, 2024; AGENDA*
Legislative Committee, October 2, 2024; AGENDA

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A1 Oath for new members

Attachments: Oath of Office_2024

A2 Election of officers

A3 Approval of Agenda

Attachments:
- Schedule (link)
- Review Document Schedule (link)
- NPFMC YouTube (link)
- Council Summary October 2024
- Newsletter (link)

B. REPORTS

B1 Executive Director's Report (including Legislative Committee report) (oral)

Attachments:
- B1 ED Report
- B1 GAO Review NOAA Fishery Disaster Assistance
- B1 Thorson GOA PT Nomination
- B1 Wassermann GOA PT Nomination
- Legislative Cmte eAgenda (link)
- B1 MREP North Pacific 2025 Flyer
- PPT B1 Amendment 80 Updates

B2 NMFS Management Report (including pelagic trawl footrope EFP) (Oral)

Attachments:
- B2 NMFS Report
- B2 Inseason Management report
- B2 Status of Amendments
- B2 AM 113 Rockfish Program Approval ltr
- B2 EFH AM Approval Letter
- B2 Right Whale Critical Habitat
- B2 Federal Register Notice EFP
- B2 Trident EFP
- PPT B2 Trident EFP
- B2 NMFS Tribal Engagement Report

B3 NOAA General Counsel Report

Attachments:
- B3 Designated Official Memorandum
- B3 Recusal Determinations
- B3 Litigation Report for AVCP v NMFS
- B3 Litigation Report for Oceana v NMFS
- B3 Litigation Report Groundfish Forum v NMFS
- B3 Litigation Report for UCIDA v NMFS
- B3 Litigation Report for Wild Fish Conservancy v NMFS

B4 AFSC Report (Oral)

Attachments:
- PPT B4 AFSC Report
- PPT B4 EEJ Report
- PPT B4 Alaska Salmon Research Task Force
- PPT B4 ESSR

B5 ADF&G Report (Oral)

Attachments:
- B5 Chinook Index 2024 Letter to NMFS
- B5 State Comments GOA Chinook ESA
- B5 ADFG Report
- B5 Opinion Article Published by ADN on Pelagic Trawling

B6 USCG Report

Attachments: B6 USCG October 2024 Report

B7 USFWS Report (Oral)

Attachments: B7 USFW Report

B8 US Navy Report on training exercises and fisheries research

Attachments: PPT B8 US Navy Report

B9 North Pacific Fishery Commission (NPFC) Report

Attachments: PPT B9 NPFC Report

B10 Public Comment on B1 through B9 agenda items

Attachments: MOTION EFP application

B11 SSC Report

Attachments: PPT C1 SSC Report
SSC C1 Report
SSC Report Oct 2024_DRAFT to COUNCIL
PPT SSC Report
SSC Report Oct 2024_FINAL

B12 AP Report

Attachments: AP admin issues Oct 2024
E Staff Tasking AP Report
AP Report October 2024

C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS

C1 C1 BSAI Crab specifications – review SAFE report; adopt ABC/OFLs for BBRKC, Tanner crab, snow crab, SMBKC; BSAI Crab Plan Team report; Ecosystem Status Report preview (SSC only)

Attachments: C1 Action Memo
Crab PT eAgenda (link)
C1 CPT report
C1 BSAI Crab SAFE Introduction
C1 SMBKC SAFE Chapter
C1 Tanner Crab SAFE Chapter
C1 BBRKC SAFE Chapter
C1 BBRKC ESP Report Card
C1 Snow Crab SAFE Chapter
C1 Snow Crab SAFE Addendum
C1 Snow Crab SAFE App A
C1 Snow Crab ESP Report Card
Link to Crab SAFE Chapter Appendices
PPT AP C1 BSAI Crab Specs
C1 AP Report
PPT C1 BSAI Crab Stocks
C1 SSC Report
MOTION C1 Crab
PPT C1 SSC Report

C2 C2 Recreational Quota Entity implementation - approve proposed modifications to fee collection process (Council only)

Attachments: C2 Action Memo
C2 RQE Funding Discussion Paper

DRAFT MOTION RQE

AMENDED FINAL MOTION RQE

C3 **C3 Groundfish harvest specifications: a) BSAI Groundfish – Proposed specifications, Joint and BSAI Plan Team reports; b) GOA Groundfish – Proposed specifications, GOA Plan Team report; c) ESP updates for sablefish (SSC only); d) DMR Working Group report on marine mammal interactions; e) GOA rockfish spatial management - Discussion paper**

Attachments:

C3 Action Memo

Groundfish PT eAgenda (link)

C3 Halibut Abundance Index 2024

C3 Chinook Index 2024 letter to NMFS

C3a JOINT GFPT Report Sept 2024

C3a BSAI Plan Team Report

C3a BSAI Plan Team Proposed OFLs ABCs 2025-2026 Table 1

C3a BSAI Tables 7-12 Proposed 2025-2026 Specs

C3b GOA GFPT Report Sept 2024

C3b GOA 2025 Proposed Tables

C3b GOA 2025 Proposed Tables_REVISED

C3b GOA 2025 Plan Team Proposed ABC-OFL Table 1

C3d DMR WG Report on Marine Mammals Interactions

C3e GOA Rockfish Spatial Mgmt Discussion Paper

PPT AP C3 JPT_BSAI Groundfish Report

PPT AP C3 GOA GFPT and rockfish spatial mgmt

C3 AP Report GOA Groundfish

C3 AP Report BSAI Groundfish

PPT C3 JPT BSAI Groundfish reports

PPT C3 GOA PT

MOTION C3 GOA

MOTION C3 BSAI

C4 **C4 Observer issues –Review 2025 Annual Deployment Plan, Committee reports**

Attachments:

C4 Action Memo

PCFMAC eAgenda (link)

C4 PCFMAC Report Sept 2024

C4 Draft 2025 ADP

C4 ODDS Trip Cancellations and Inherits

C4 2025 ODDS Changes Informational Flyer

FMAC eAgenda (link)

C4 FMAC Report Sept 2024

PPT C4 Draft 2025 ADP

PPT AP C4 Monitoring Committee Reports

C4 AP Report

PPT Council C4 Monitoring Committee Reports

MOTION C4

C5 **C5 Crew Data Collection– Initial review**

Attachments:

C5 Action Memo

C5 Crew Data Collection Analysis

PPT AP C5 Crew Data Collection

C5 AP Report
PPT Council C5 Crew Data Collection
MOTION C5

C6 C6 Pelagic Trawl Gear Definition – Preliminary Review

Attachments:
C6 Action Memo
C6 Pelagic Trawl Gear Definition Analysis
PPT AP C6 Pelagic Trawl Gear
C6 AP Report
PPT Council C6 Pelagic Trawl Gear
MOTION C6

D. OTHER ISSUES

D1 D1 Observer availability discussion paper – review, FMAC report

Attachments:
D1 Action Memo
FMAC eAgenda (link)
D1 FMAC Report Sept 2024
D1 Observer Availability Discussion Paper
PPT AP D1 Observer Availability
D1 AP Report
PPT Council D1 Observer Availability
NO ACTION D1 OBSERVER AVAILABLITY DISCUSSION PAPER

D2 D2 Climate funding: review a) Climate Scenario Workshop Report, b) Climate science and harvest specifications adjustments discussion paper/SCS8 report

Attachments:
D2 Action Memo
D2b Climate Science-SCS8 Discussion Paper
D2a Climate Scenarios Workshop Report
PPT AP D2a CSW Report
PPT AP D2b SCS8 Overview
D2 AP Report
PPT Council D2a CSW Report
PPT Council D2b SCS8 overview
MOTION D2

D3 D3 IFQ Program Review Report – POSTPONED until December 2024

E. STAFF TASKING / COMMITTEES

E1 E Committees, New Business, and Tasking (including chum bycatch/ programmatic engagement discussion) - Review

Attachments:
E Action Memo
E 3 Meeting Outlook - PRE-MEETING
E NPFMC_Committees
E Council staff responsibilities
E Groundfish Workplan 2024-10
E Prelim Draft Dec 2024 Schedule
E Prelim Draft Feb 2025 Council schedule
E SSC agenda time staff paper
E1 Chum Salmon Bycatch Outreach Planning

PPT AP E Staff tasking

E AP Report

E Legislative CMTEE Report

E 3 Meeting Outlook - DURING MEETING

PPT E Outreach and Engagement Council

PPT E Staff tasking