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 - Charter Halibut Regs

E Motion - IRA workplan DRAFT

E Appointments December 2023