



# 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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**Advisory Panel**, October 1-4, 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 AVAILABILITY 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](#)