



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC Council/AP December 2024 - 272nd

December 2-10, 2024

**Council**, December 5-10, 2024; Egan Center, Anchorage, Alaska; 8am-5pm

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**Advisory Panel**, December 3-6, 2024; Egan Center, Anchorage, Alaska; 8am-5pm

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*Related meetings:*

*Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), December 2-4, 2024; [AGENDA](#)*

*IFQ Committee, December 2, 2024; [AGENDA](#)*

*Charter Halibut Management Committee, December 3, 2024; [AGENDA](#)*

## A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A1 Approval of Agenda

**Attachments:**      [Schedule \(link\)](#)  
[Review Document Schedule \(link\)](#)  
[NPFMC YouTube \(link\)](#)  
[Newsletter \(link\)](#)

## B. REPORTS

### B1 Executive Director's Report (Oral)

**Attachments:**      [B1 ED report](#)  
[B1 ODDS Info Session Flyer](#)

### B2 NMFS Management Report (including Northern Fur Seal Conservation Plan report, Final 2025 ADP, year-end inseason mgmt. report ) (Oral)

**Attachments:**      [B2 NMFS Report](#)  
[B2 National Seafood Strategy Implementation Plan](#)  
[B2 Status of Amendments](#)  
[B2 Annual Deployment Plan](#)  
[B2 NMFS Tribal Engagement Report](#)  
[B2 GAF Program Report](#)  
[B2 Northern Fur Seal Conservation Plan Report](#)  
[B2 NMFS Tribal Consult Protocols](#)  
[PPT B2 Seafood Strategy](#)  
[PPT B2 Northern Fur Seal Conservation Plan Report](#)  
[PPT B2 BSAI Inseason Report](#)  
[PPT B2 GOA Inseason Report](#)

### B3 NOAA General Counsel Report

**Attachments:**      [B3 Designated Official Memorandum](#)  
[B3 Recusal Determinations](#)  
[B3 Litigation Report for Oceana v NMFS](#)  
[B3 Litigation Report for UCIDA v NMFS](#)  
[B3 Litigation Report for Groundfish Forum Inc. v NMFS](#)

### B4 NOAA Enforcement Report (Oral)

**Attachments:**      [B4 NOAA Enforcement Report](#)  
[PPT B4 NOAA Enforcement Report](#)

### B5 ADF&G Report (Oral)

**Attachments:**      [B5 ADFG Report](#)  
[PPT B5 ADFG Report](#)

### B6 USCG Report

**Attachments:**      [B6 USCG Report](#)  
[PPT B6 USCG Report](#)

### B7 USFWS Report (Oral)

**Attachments:**      [B7 USFWS REPORT](#)  
[PPT B7 USFWS Report](#)  
[PPT B7 USFWS Seabird Mortality Update](#)

### B8 U.S. State Department Report (Oral)

### B9 Public Comment on B1 through B8 agenda items

### B10 SSC Report

**Attachments:**      [C1-C2 SSC Report](#)

[PPT C1-C2 SSC Report](#)  
[PPT SSC Report](#)  
[SSC Report DRAFT to Council](#)  
[SSC Report Dec 2024\\_FINAL](#)

**B11 AP Report**

**Attachments:** [AP admin issues Dec 2024](#)  
[December 2024 AP Report](#)

**C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS****C1 C1 BSAI Groundfish specifications – review BS, AI, and GOA ESRs; BSAI Groundfish SAFE report; adopt TAC/ABC/OFLs; Joint Groundfish PT and BSAI Groundfish PT reports**

**Attachments:** [C1 Action Memo](#)  
[Groundfish PT Nov eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C1 Joint Groundfish Plan Team Report](#)  
[C1 BSAI Plan Team Report](#)  
[C1 BSAI Groundfish SAFE Introduction](#)  
[C1 SAFE Reports \(link\)](#)  
[C1 Eastern Bering Sea ESR \(link\)](#)  
[C1 Aleutian Islands ESR](#)  
[C1 GOA ESR \(link\)](#)  
[C1 BSAI Groundfish PT reccs 2024 Table 1](#)  
[C1 Additional Tables BSAI 2025-2026](#)  
[C1 AFSC response ltr - Trawl Survey Halibut Data](#)  
[C1 IPHC index Halibut ABM](#)  
[C1 Social Econ Info for TACsetting](#)  
[C1 Herring biomass estimate - EBS 2025](#)  
[C1 EBS ESR Brief](#)  
[C1 AIESR Brief](#)  
[C1 GOA ESR Brief](#)  
[PPT AP-Council C1 EBS ESR](#)  
[PPT AP-Council C1 AIESR](#)  
[PPT AP C1 GOA ESR](#)  
[PPT AP C1 EBS Pollock](#)  
[PPT AP C1 Joint GPT Report](#)  
[PPT AP C1 BSAI GPT Report](#)  
[C1 AP Report](#)  
[PPT Council C1 GOA ESR](#)  
[PPT Council C1 EBS Pollock](#)  
[PPT Council C1 BSAI GPT Report](#)  
[PPT Council C1 Joint GPT Report](#)  
[C1 MOTION](#)  
[C1 MOTION Accountability Measures](#)

**C2 C2 GOA Groundfish harvest specifications – review GOA Groundfish SAFE report; adopt TAC/ABC/OFLs; GOA Groundfish PT report**

**Attachments:** [C2 Action Memo](#)  
[Groundfish PT Nov eAgenda \(link\)](#)

[C2 GOA Groundfish PT Report](#)  
[C2 SAFE Reports \(link\)](#)  
[C2 GOA Groundfish SAFE Introduction](#)  
[C2 Table 1 GOA Specs PT Recs 2025\\_26](#)  
[C2 Additional Tables GOA Groundfish 2025 and 2026](#)  
[C2 GOA ESR \(link\)](#)  
[C2 Social Econ Info for TACsetting](#)  
[C1-C2 GOA-ESR Brief](#)  
[PPT AP C2 GOA GPT Report](#)  
[C2 AP Report](#)  
[PPT Council C2 GOA GPT Report](#)  
[C2 MOTION](#)

**C3 C3 BSAI Crab specifications - review NSRKC SAFE report chapter and adopt ABC/OFL; BSAI Crab PT report**

**Attachments:**

[C3 Action Memo](#)  
[Crab PT Nov eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C3 November 2024 CPT Report](#)  
[C3 NSRKC SAFE Intro](#)  
[C3 NSRKC 2024 SAFE Chapter](#)  
[REVISED C3 NSRKC SAFE Chapter](#)  
[PPT AP-Council C3 BSAI crab stocks](#)  
[C3 AP Report](#)  
[C3 MOTION](#)

**C4 C4 2025 Charter Halibut Annual Management Measures – Final action; Committee report**

**Attachments:**

[C4 Action Memo](#)  
[Charter Halibut Committee Oct eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C4 Oct Charter Halibut Management Committee Report](#)  
[Charter Halibut Committee Dec eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[C4 Charter Halibut Management Cmte Report](#)  
[C4 UPDATED Management Options for the Area 2C and 3A 2025](#)  
[PPT AP C4 Charter management options](#)  
[PPT C4 Charter Halibut Cmte Report](#)  
[PPT C4 Charter management options](#)  
[C4 AP Report](#)  
[C4 MOTION](#)

**D. OTHER ISSUES**

**D1 D1 Climate planning: Review a) IRA update and draft workplan, b) Bering Sea Fishery Ecosystem Plan (BSFEP) Climate Change Taskforce (CCTF) final report, c) AFSC CEFI updates**

**Attachments:**

[D1 Action Memo](#)  
[D1a IRA Funding Timeline Update](#)  
[CCTF Nov eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[D1b Climate Change Task Force Report](#)  
[D1c AFSC CEFI Update](#)  
[PPT AP D1b CCTF report](#)  
[PPT AP D1c AFSC Climate Update](#)

[D1 AP Report](#)  
[PPT Council-AP D1a Overview and IRA work plan](#)  
[PPT Council D1c AFSC Climate Update](#)  
[PPT Council D1b CCTF Report](#)  
[D1a MOTION IRA and Programmatic](#)  
[D1 MOTION Climate workplan](#)

**D2 D2 BSAI Crab arbitration – Discussion paper**

**Attachments:** [D2 Action Memo](#)  
[D2 Crab Binding Arbitration Discussion Paper](#)  
[PPT AP-Council D2 Crab Arbitration](#)  
[D2 AP Report](#)  
[D2 MOTION](#)

**D3 D3 BSAI Crab C-shares – Discussion paper**

**Attachments:** [D3 Action Memo](#)  
[D3 BSAI Crab CShares Discussion Paper](#)  
[PPT AP D3 Crab C Shares](#)  
[D3 AP Report](#)  
[PPT D3 Council Crab C Shares](#)  
[D3 MOTION](#)  
[D3 MOTION AS AMENDED](#)

**D4 D4 Amendment 80 Program Review Report – Review**

**Attachments:** [D4 Action Memo](#)  
[D4 AM80 Program Review Report](#)  
[PPT AP D4 AM80 Program Review](#)  
[D4 AP Report](#)  
[PPT D4 AM80 Program Review](#)  
[D4 MOTION](#)  
[D4 MOTION AS AMENDED](#)

**D5 D5 IFQ Program Review Report – Review, IFQ Committee report**

**Attachments:** [D5 Action Memo](#)  
[IFQ Committee Dec eAgenda \(link\)](#)  
[D5 IFQ Program Review](#)  
[D5 Appendix 1](#)  
[D5 IFQ Committee Report](#)  
[PPT AP D5 IFQ Program Review](#)  
[PPT AP-Council D5 IFQ Committee report](#)  
[D5 AP Report](#)  
[PPT Council D5 IFQ Program Review](#)  
[D5 MOTION](#)  
[D5 MOTION AS AMENDED](#)

**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 Responsibilities](#)

[E1 Groundfish Workplan 2024-12](#)

[E Prelim Draft Feb 2025 Council Schedule](#)

[E Prelim Draft Apr 2025 Council Schedule](#)

[E IFQ Committee Draft TOR](#)

[E Rec Fish Roundtable Report](#)

[E AP Report](#)

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

[PPT E Staff Tasking](#)

[E MOTION Cost Recovery](#)

[E Appointments](#)