



NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC Council/AP October 2025 - 276th

September 29-9, 2025

Council, October 2-3 and 6-9, 2025; Virtual Webconference; 8am-4pm Alaska time (9am-5pm Pacific time)

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Click on the [schedule attachment](#) for our best estimate of agenda item timing. If you'd like to receive real-time **text alerts** during the meeting on Council timing, text the word "NPFMC" to the number 1-833-237-1598.

Related meetings:

Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), September 29-Oct 2, 2025 - [eAgenda](#)

A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

A1 Oath for new members

Attachments: [A1 Oath of Office](#)

A2 Election of officers**A3 Approval of Agenda and Administrative Issues**

Attachments: [Schedule \(LINK\)](#)
[Pre-Meeting Review Documents \(LINK\)](#)
[NPFMC Code of Conduct](#)
[PPT AP Admin Issues](#)
[Newsletter \(LINK\)](#)

B. REPORTS**B1 Executive Director's Report, including Council response to EO 14276 Restoring American Seafood Competitiveness (action by 10/3) (Oral)**

Attachments: [B1 Executive Director's Report](#)
[B1 WDFW Pamplin Council appointment](#)
[B1 Witherell Retirement Announcement](#)
[B1 Executive Finance Committee Report](#)
[B1 IPHC Response St Matthew Halibut](#)
[B1 MREP 2026 Flyer](#)
[B1 Action Memo on EO14276](#)
[B1 EO14276 NMFS Regulatory Review Discussion Paper](#)
[B1 NPFMC Letter to NMFS with EO14276 Workplan](#)
[B1 NMFS Correspondence Received on EOs - FOR REFERENCE](#)
[PPT B1 EO 14276 Seafood Competitiveness](#)
[MOTION EO 14276](#)

B2 NMFS Management Report (including status of BSAI FMP Biological Opinion) (Oral)

Attachments: [B2 NMFS Management Report](#)
[B2 NMFS Letter re Cook Inlet Harvest Specs](#)
[B2 EO14276 Seafood Competitiveness Comment Opportunity](#)
[B2 BSAI 125 Approval Pcod small boat](#)
[B2 Rockfish and Crab Use Caps](#)
[B2 Seabird Working Group Report](#)
[B2 NMFS AKR Cost Recovery Guidance](#)
[B2 NMFS Inseason Report](#)
[B2 NMFS Tribal Engagement Report](#)
[B2 NMFS 2024 Policy Directive on Integrating ESA and MSA](#)
[B2 Status of Amendments](#)
[PPT B2 BSAI FMP Biological Opinion & NMFS PD 01-117](#)

B3 NOAA General Counsel Report

Attachments: [B3 Designated Official Memo](#)
[B3 Recusal Determinations Memo](#)
[B3 Litigation Report UCIDA v NMFS](#)
[B3 Litigation Report WFC v NMFS](#)
[B3 Litigation Report Oceana v NMFS FOIA](#)
[B3 Litigation Report Oceana v NMFS EFH](#)
[B3 Litigation Report Oceana v NMFS EFH - Supplemental Report](#)

- B4 AFSC Report**
Attachments: [PPT B4 AFSC Brief](#)
- B5 ADF&G Report**
Attachments: [B5 ADFG Report](#)
- B6 USCG Report (Oral)**
Attachments: [B6 USCG D17 Report](#)
[PPT B6 USCG_OFS_Summary](#)
- B7 USFWS Report**
Attachments: [B7 USFWS Report](#)
- B8 Public Comment on B1 through B7 agenda items**
Attachments: [MOTION EO 14276](#)
- B9 SSC Report**
Attachments: [DRAFT SSC Report](#)
[PPT SSC Report](#)
[SSC Report Oct 2025_FINAL](#)
- B10 AP Report**
Attachments: [AP Report](#)
[D1 AP Pcod LAPP Report from June 2025 \(LINK\)](#)

C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS

- C1 C1 MRA adjustments - Final Action**
Attachments: [C1 Action Memo](#)
[C1 MRA Adjustments Analysis](#)
[PPT C1 MRA Adjustments_AP](#)
[PPT C1 MRA Modifications_Council](#)
[C1 AP MRA Report](#)
[MOTION C1 MRA](#)
- C2 C2 Observer 2026 Annual Deployment Plan - Review; FMAC/PCFMAC Reports**
Attachments: [C2 Action Memo](#)
[PCFMAC_FMAC September 2025 eAgenda \(LINK\)](#)
[C2 Draft 2026 Annual Deployment Plan](#)
[C2 FMAC Report](#)
[C2 PCFMAC Report](#)
[PPT C2 Draft 2026 Annual Deployment Plan](#)
[PPT C2 Monitoring Committee Reports](#)
[C2 AP Report](#)
[MOTION C2 ADP](#)
- C3 C3 BSAI Crab specifications – review SAFE report; adopt ABC/OFLs for BBRKC, Tanner crab, snow crab, PIBKC, PIRKC; BSAI Crab Plan Team report; (SSC only) Ecosystem Status Report preview**
Attachments: [C3 Action Memo](#)
[CPT eAgenda September 2025 \(LINK\)](#)
[C3 CPT Report](#)
[C3 BSAI Crab SAFE Introduction](#)
[C3 BBRKC SAFE](#)
[C3 BBRKC ESP Report Card 2025](#)
[C3 Tanner Crab SAFE](#)

[C3 Snow Crab SAFE](#)
[C3 Snow Crab ESP Report Card 2025](#)
[C3 PIBKC SAFE](#)
[C3 PIRKC SAFE](#)
[C3 AP Report](#)
[PPT C3 BSAI Crab](#)
[MOTION C3 BSAI Crab Specs](#)

C4 C4 Crab C-Shares - Initial Review

Attachments: [C4 Action Memo](#)
[C4 Crab C-Shares Analysis](#)
[PPT C4 Crab C Shares AP](#)
[PPT C4 Crab C Shares Council](#)
[C4 AP Report](#)
[MOTION C4 C-Shares](#)
[C4 ERRATA GOA POP catch report](#)

C5 C5 Groundfish harvest specifications: a) GOA Groundfish – Proposed specifications, Joint and GOA Plan Team reports; b) BSAI Groundfish – Proposed specifications, BSAI Plan Team report; c) Subarea apportionment process - review proposal; d) BSRE accountability measures - Discussion Paper

Attachments: [C5 Action Memo](#)
[Groundfish Plan Team September 2025 eAgenda \(LINK\)](#)
[C5c EXAMPLE BRD BSAI Final Table 1 PT SSC](#)
[C5c EXAMPLE BRD GOA Final Table 1 PT SSC](#)
[C5a Joint GFPT Report](#)
[C5a GOA Plan Team Report](#)
[C5a GOA 2026-7 Proposed Tables](#)
[C5b BSAI Plan Team Report](#)
[C5b BSAI 2026-7 Proposed Tables](#)
[C5d BSRE Accountability Measures Discussion Paper](#)
[C5b 2025 Chinook Abundance Index](#)
[C5b 2025 Halibut Abundance Index](#)
[PPT C5d BSAI BSRE AP](#)
[PPT C5c Spatial Apportionments_AP](#)
[PPT C5ab Groundfish Sept 2025 Plan Team_AP](#)
[C5 AP GOA Report](#)
[C5 AP BSAI Report](#)
[PPT C5d BSAI BSRE Council](#)
[PPT C5c Spatial Apportionments Council](#)
[PPT C5ab Groundfish Plan Team Council](#)
[MOTION C5c Spatial Apportionment](#)
[MOTION C5a GOA Proposed Specs](#)
[MOTION C5b BSAI Proposed Specs](#)
[MOTION C5d BSRE](#)

C6 C6 Economic Data Reports Removal - Initial Review / Final Action

Attachments: [C6 Action Memo](#)
[C6 EDR Removal Analysis](#)
[PPT C6 EDR Removals AP](#)

[PPT C6 EDR Removals Council](#)

[C6 AP Report](#)

[MOTION C6 EDR Removal](#)

[MOTION C6 SSPT](#)

D. OTHER ISSUES

D1 D1 BSAI Pacific cod pot gear limited access privilege program (LAPP) - Discussion Paper (Council only)

Attachments:

[D1 Action Memo](#)

[D1 BSAI PCod Pot Gear LAPP Discussion Paper](#)

[Public Comments submitted to June 2025 meeting \(LINK\)](#)

[D1 AP Pcod LAPP Report from June 2025 \(LINK\)](#)

[PPT D1 Pcod LAPP Discussion Paper](#)

[MOTION D1 Pot Cod LAPP](#)

D2 D2 IFQ/CQE transfer, beneficiary changes - Discussion Paper

Attachments:

[D2 Action Memo](#)

[D2 IFQ_CQE Transfer Beneficiary Changes Discussion Paper](#)

[PPT D2 IFQ_CQE Transfer, Beneficiary Changes](#)

[D2 AP Report](#)

[MOTION D2 CQE_IFQ](#)

D3 D3 POSTPONED - EFH 5-year review workplan - Review

Attachments:

[D3 Action Memo](#)

[D3 2028 EFH 5-year Review Plan Discussion Paper](#)

[D3 2023 EFH 5-year Review Final Summary - FOR REFERENCE](#)

[PPT D3 EFH 5-year Review Plan](#)

D4 D4 Programmatic evaluation - Discuss next steps

Attachments:

[D4 Action Memo](#)

[PPT D4 Programmatic Evaluation](#)

[D4 AP Report](#)

[MOTION D4 Programmatic Evaluation](#)

E. STAFF TASKING / COMMITTEES

E1 E Committees, New Business, and Tasking - Review

Attachments:

[E Action Memo](#)

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

[E Council Staff Responsibilities](#)

[E NPFMC Committees](#)

[E Prelim Dec 2025 agenda](#)

[E Excerpt on Herring PSC Management](#)

[E Groundfish Workplan 2025-10](#)

[PPT E Staff Tasking_AP](#)

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

[PPT E Staff Tasking_Council](#)

[E Ecosystem Committee Appointments](#)

[MOTION E Herring PSC Limit](#)

[MOTION E Omnibus Recording Keeping](#)

[MOTION E Finance Comm TOR](#)

[MOTION E LL2 Endorsement Requirements](#)

[MOTION E EO Response Sablefish](#)

[MOTION E Norton Sound King Crab](#)