



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Ecosystem Committee 03/06/2026

March 6, 2026

## Ecosystem Committee

Friday, March 6, 2026 - 8:30 am- 12:00 pm Alaska Time

### Join Zoom Meeting: [Join Here](#)

To join by phone: +13052241968, Meeting ID 854 0354 2073

1. Introductions and review TOR
2. Essential Fish Habitat 5-Year Review
  - EFH 5 - Year Review Process - Jodi Pirtle, NMFS AKR
  - Fishing Effects Model - Brad Harris, SSC and APU
  - Alaska Coral and Sponge Initiative - Christina Conrath, NMFS AFSC
3. Mid-morning break
4. Climate Resilience Planning: Harvest Specifications process discussion paper, triennial Groundfish Management Policy Review, and development of plain language communications materials - Council staff
5. Public testimony
6. Wrap up and planning for May 8th EC meeting

### Comments and Meeting Information

#### Schedule and Agenda

Please leave comments for all agenda items here

### Terms of Reference and Tasking

#### Review TOR

**Attachments:** [Reference - Ecosystem Committee TOR](#)  
[LINK - Dec 2025 EC Tasking Motion](#)

### Essential Fish Habitat 5-Year Review Plan; Overview of AK Coral and Sponge Initiative Report

Review EFH 5-Year review plan and discuss anticipated information products and potential committee role in review

**Attachments:** [LINK - EFH 5-Year Review](#)  
[PPT EFH 5-year Review Plan Overview](#)  
[PPT Fishing Effects Model](#)  
[PPT AK Coral and Sponge Initiative Introduction](#)

### IRA Climate Resilience Planning

Review project status and discuss EC role

**Attachments:** [LINK - Workplan for Groundfish Management Policy Review \(Dec 2025\)](#)  
[REFERENCE - 2019-2021 Groundfish Management Policy Review](#)  
[LINK - Harvest Control Rule Work Overview \(Feb 2026\)](#)  
[PPT Climate Resilience Updates](#)

**Minutes**

**Final Report**

**Attachments:**      [Ecosystem Committee Report March 2026](#)