



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

NPFMC February 2016 - 227th

February 1-9, 2016

## AGENDA - 227th Plenary Session

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet **February 1-9, 2016**, at the Benson Hotel, 309 Southwest Broadway, Portland, Oregon. Meetings to be held during the week are:

**Scientific and Statistical Committee:** February 1-3, 2016 8:00 am - Cambridge/Oxford

**Advisory Panel:** February 2-5, 2016 8:00 am - Crystal Ballroom

**Legislative Committee:** February 2, 2016 9:00 am - 12:00 pm - Parliament 3-4

**Ecosystem Committee:** February 2, 2016 1:00-5:00 pm - Parliament 3-4

**Council:** February 3-9, 2016 8:00 am - Mayfair Ballroom

All meetings are open to the public, except for executive sessions. Information on submitting comments in writing or in person can be found in the PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION attached below. The deadline for written comments is 5:00 pm (AST) on Tuesday, January 26, 2016. They should be emailed to [npfmc.comments@noaa.gov](mailto:npfmc.comments@noaa.gov). The Council meeting will be broadcast at <https://npfmc.adobeconnect.com/february2016>. Motions will be posted following the meeting.

### A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

#### A1 Agenda and Meeting Information

**Attachments:** [Agenda](#)  
[SCHEDULE \(LINK\)](#)  
[Council Guidelines for Discussion](#)  
[PUBLIC COMMENT INFORMATION](#)  
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[Legislative Committee Agenda](#)  
[Ecosystem Committee Agenda](#)  
[Meeting Audio](#)  
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[Time Log\\_Final](#)

#### A2 In Meeting Minutes (committee minutes and reports drafted during this meeting)

**Attachments:** [Legislative Committee Minutes](#)  
[Ecosystem Committee Minutes](#)  
[SSC Draft C-3 and D-5-1](#)  
[SSC Report Feb2016\\_DRAFT](#)  
[SSC Report Presentation](#)  
[Groundfish Economic SAFE \(LINK - for SSC review\)](#)  
[BSAI Crab Economic SAFE \(LINK - for SSC review\)](#)  
[SSC Report Feb2016\\_FINAL](#)  
[AP minutes Feb2016 FINAL](#)  
[Council Summary Feb2016\\_FINAL](#)

### B. REPORTS

#### B1 B Reports (Combined)

**Attachments:** [B1 Executive Director's Report](#)  
[B1 NPFMC Letter to IPHC](#)  
[B1 Westphal BSAI PT nomination](#)  
[B1 Goldman Scallop PT nomination](#)

[B1 Williams Scallop PT nomination](#)  
[B1 Stewart SSC nomination](#)  
[Legislative Committee Agenda](#)  
[B1 Draft Guidance for Reviews of Catch Share Programs](#)  
[B1 NPFMC CSP Comments](#)  
[B1 Recusal Determination](#)  
[B1 Sullivan Recusal Letter](#)  
[B1 NPFMC letter to Begich July 2014](#)  
[B1 NPFMC letter to Sullivan June 2015](#)  
[B1 Fisheries Convention Act Discussion Draft](#)  
[B1 Summary of Provisions Discussion Draft](#)  
[B1 Congressional Activities Nov2015](#)  
[B1 Congressional Activities Dec2015](#)  
[B1 Appropriations Act Summary](#)  
[B1 MTC Reception flyer](#)  
[B1 MREP-West Scoping Meeting Agenda 020416](#)  
[B2 Action Memo](#)  
[B2 NMFS Management Report](#)  
[B2 Fairweather Decision 0116](#)  
[B2 Stock Assess Prioritization Summary](#)  
[B2 Stock Assess Prioritization Implement-ppt slides](#)  
[B2 NMFS Climate Science Strategy](#)  
[B2 CQE Program Comment Request](#)  
[B2 Emergency Rule IPQ Use Caps](#)  
[B2 National Observer Program Report\\_2Feb16](#)  
[SUPPLEMENT B2 Cost Recovery Complaint](#)  
[PRESENTATION B2 AFSC Climate Science Strategy](#)  
[B3 Action Memo](#)  
[B3 ADFG Report](#)  
[B4 Action Memo](#)  
[B4 USCG Year in Review for 2015](#)  
[B5 Action Memo](#)  
[B5 USFWS Report](#)  
[B6 Action Memo](#)  
[B6 PRESENTATION IPHC Annual Meeting summary](#)  
[B7 Protected Species Report](#)  
[B7 SSL Pollock Consultation](#)  
[B7 BiOp Effects Grndfish FMPsState Parallel Fisheries](#)  
[B8 Action Memo](#)  
[B8 PRESENTATION NEPA Training](#)

## **C. MAJOR ISSUES / FINAL ACTION ITEMS**

### **C1 C1 BSAI Trawl Limited Access Yellowfin Sole Fishery - Discussion Paper**

**Attachments:** [C1 Action Memo](#)  
[C1 Discussion Paper Trawl Limited Access Yellowfin Sole Fishery Feb2016](#)  
[C1 Supplement-Updated Table 10 and Figure 1](#)

[C1 Public Comment](#)

[MOTION C1](#)

[C1 In Meeting Public Comment Loomis](#)

[C1 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C2 C2 GOA Trawl Bycatch Management - Discussion Paper**

**Attachments:** [C2 Action Memo](#)

[C2 GOA Trawl Bycatch Mgt Discussion Paper](#)

[C2 ERRATA for GOA TBM Discussion Paper](#)

[C2 Public Comments](#)

[C2 SUMMARY WGOA Outreach](#)

[HANDOUT C2 Public Comment REED](#)

[C2 Final GOA TBM Alternatives \(as amended\)](#)

[MOTION C2 FINAL](#)

[C2 In Meeting Public Comments](#)

[C2 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C3 C3 Crab Plan Team Report; NS RKC OFL/ABC Catch Specifications - Approve**

**Attachments:** [C3 Action Memo](#)

[C3 NSRKC Introduction](#)

[C3 NSRKC SAFE Feb2016](#)

[C3 Crab Plan Team Report](#)

[C3 Crab SAFE Guidelines](#)

[PRESENTATION C3 CPT](#)

**C4 C4 Halibut Management Framework - SSC/Council Review**

**Attachments:** [C4 Action Memo](#)

[C4 Halibut Management Framework 0216](#)

[C4 Council Motion Halibut Framework Dec2016](#)

[MOTION C4](#)

[C4 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C5 C5 Halibut Deck Sorting EFP - Review**

**Attachments:** [C5 Action Memo](#)

[C5 NMFS-AKR Ltr to Council 0116](#)

[C5 Halibut Deck Sort EFP Application 0116](#)

[C5 AFSC memo to NMFS-AKR 0116](#)

[C5 2015 Deck Sorting EFP Draft Final Rpt](#)

[C5 2012 Final Report EFP](#)

[C5 Public Comments](#)

[SUPPLEMENT C5 AM80 EFP Data Review Summary](#)

[PRESENTATION EFP figures and tables](#)

[MOTION C5 2016 halibut deck sorting](#)

**C6 C6 Observer Coverage on BSAI Trawl CVs - Final Action**

**Attachments:** [C6 Action Memo](#)

[C6 BSAI Trawl CV Observers Public Review](#)

[MOTION C6](#)

[C6 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C7 C7 EM Analysis - Review Alternatives**

**Attachments:** [C7 Action Memo](#)  
[C7 EM Alternatives Discussion Paper](#)  
[MOTION C7 EM 2017 Pre-Implementation](#)  
[MOTION C7 Analysis to Integrate EM in GroundfishHalibut Obs Program](#)  
[C7 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C8 C8 GOA Tendering Activity - Annual Review**

**Attachments:** [C8 Action Memo](#)  
[C8 GOA Tendering Activity Annual Review](#)  
[MOTION C8 GOA Tendering Report 2-7-16](#)  
[C8 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**C9 C9 Observer Tendering - Discussion Paper**

**Attachments:** [C9 Action Memo](#)  
[C9 Observer Coverage on CVs Delivering to Tenders Discussion Paper Feb2016](#)  
[C9 Public Comments](#)  
[MOTION C9 Observer Tenders](#)  
[C9 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**D. OTHER ISSUES****D1 D1 BSAI Snow Crab Bycatch Data Evaluation - Discussion Paper**

**Attachments:** [D1 Action Memo](#)  
[D1 Snow Crab Bycatch Data Evaluation Discussion Paper](#)  
[PRESENTATION Slides on D1 Crab PSC](#)  
[MOTION D1 Snow Crab](#)  
[D1 In Meeting Public Comment ABSC](#)  
[D1 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**D2 D2 Remove WAI RKC Stocks from FMP - Discussion Paper**

**Attachments:** [D2 Action Memo](#)  
[D2 Adak RKC Discussion Paper](#)  
[D2 ERRATA](#)  
[D2 ACDC Proposal 2015](#)  
[D2 WAI RKC from Crab SAFE 2015](#)  
[D2 Public Comment](#)  
[MOTION D2 Adak Red King Crab](#)  
[D2 In Meeting Public Comment Fraser](#)  
[D2 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**D3 D3 Halibut/Sablefish IFQ Program Review - Review Workplan**

**Attachments:** [D3 Action Memo](#)  
[D3 IFQ Program Review Workplan 0216](#)  
[D3 Dec 2015 IFQ Committee Minutes](#)  
[D3 Public Comment](#)  
[MOTION D3 IFQ Program Review](#)  
[D3 In Meeting Public Comment Alverson](#)  
[D3 Public Testimony Sheet](#)

**D4 D4 Groundfish Policy and Workplan; Ecosystem Committee Report - Review**

**Attachments:** [D4 Action Memo](#)

[D4 Ch 5 from Final SIR 2015](#)

[D4 Status Quo Groundfish workplan status](#)

[D4 Alternative 1 Groundfish workplan status](#)

[D4 Alternative 2 Groundfish workplan status](#)

[PRESENTATION D4 Groundfish Policy Workplan](#)

[MINUTES Ecosystem Committee](#)

**D5 D5 Crab Modeling Workshop Report - SSC only**

**Attachments:** [D5 Action Memo](#)

[D5 Crab Modeling Workshop Report](#)

**E. STAFF TASKING**

**E1 E1 Committees and Staff Tasking**

**Attachments:** [E1 Action Memo](#)

[E1 NPFMC Committees](#)

[E1 Three Meeting Outlook](#)

[E1 Project-Staff Tasking status](#)

[E1 Observer Program Tasks](#)

[E1 BSFEP Next Steps for Ecosystem Cttee](#)

[MOTION E1 Define Where Observers Can Disembark](#)

[E1 Public Testimony Sheet](#)