NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

The Joint Protocol Committee of the Board of Fisheries (BOF) and the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC) will meet from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m., Monday, March 19, 2012, in the Aleutian Room at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel. This committee is made up of three BOF members and three NPFMC members. No regulatory action will be taken at this meeting. The meeting primarily offers an opportunity to exchange information. Agenda topics include: Tanner Crab Rebuilding, Gulf of Alaska Halibut Bycatch, Salmon Bycatch, Gulf of Alaska Pacific Cod, Bottom Gear in Prince William Sound, and miscellaneous state/federal issues.

The committee will take oral public testimony during this meeting. The testimony is scheduled to follow the "Staff Reports" section of the agenda. The deadline to sign up for public testimony will also be after the conclusion of the "Staff Reports" section of the agenda.

The agenda and meeting materials will be available through the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support Section and will also be posted on the Board of Fisheries website at: <u>http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=process.main</u> For information about the meeting or meeting materials, contact the Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate, please contact the Boards Support Section at (907) 465-4110 no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, March 13, 2012, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.

Monica Wellard, Executive Director Alaska Board of Fisheries

<u>2/20/12</u> Date