

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETING OF THE  
ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES  
GULF OF ALASKA WALLEYE POLLOCK WORKGROUP**

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Fisheries (Board) will hold a meeting on Monday, October 6, 2014, from 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. The meeting will be held at the Downtown Anchorage Hilton, in the Birch / Willow Room, 1st Floor. The purpose of the meeting is for the Board's Gulf of Alaska Walleye Pollock Workgroup (workgroup) to receive background information on Proposal 44 of the Board of Fisheries 2013/2014 meeting cycle, and review the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's (NPFMC) pending trawl action.

The Board established the workgroup to provide the Board with information on a state guideline harvest level (GHL) walleye pollock fishery and an explanation of whether and how a state-GHL walleye pollock fishery would protect and maintain Alaska's marine resources and maximize benefits of the state's Gulf of Alaska (GOA) walleye pollock resource. The workgroup is made up of two Board members (who serve as co-chairs), two members of the NPFMC, one license limitation program (LLP) trawl vessel owner, one LLP travel vessel operator, the author of Proposal 44, two purse seine vessel operators, two jig vessel operators, a large and small processor, a representative from the GOA trawl voluntary cooperative, a sport fish charter operator, and community representatives from the Central and Western Gulf communities.

The workgroup dates and locations of past and planned meetings are all located on the Board of Fisheries website at: <http://www.adfg.alaska.gov/index.cfm?adfg=cgoapollockworkgroup.main>.

No regulatory action is taken at these meetings. Workgroup co-chairs manage the meetings to encourage an open and respectful exchange of information and ideas, seeking to achieve greater understanding on issues relevant to the subjects at hand.

After the workgroup completes each meeting, it releases a written summary that summarizes the general discussion and findings of the workgroup.

Agenda topics for the meeting include, but are not be limited to: current GOA pollock fisheries in federal and state waters, proposed federal groundfish catch share program, Proposal 44, coordination between state and federal fisheries, and community interests in fisheries management decisions. The agenda and meeting materials are available through the Department of Fish and Game Boards Support Section and the Board of Fisheries website above. Audio streaming will not be available on the website for this meeting. For information about the meeting or meeting materials, contact the Boards Support Section (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 (907) 465-4110 **no later than 4:00 p.m. on Tuesday, September 30, 2014**, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.



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Alaska Board of Fisheries

September 12, 2014

Date