

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

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Fisheries (Board) will hold a meeting on Wednesday, April 16, 2014, from 9:00am – 5:00pm. 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 Central Gulf of Alaska (CGOA) Walleye Pollock Workgroup (workgroup) to receive background information on the Board of Fisheries 2013/2014 Meeting Cycle Proposal 44 and review the North Pacific Fishery Management Council's 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 of the Task Force), and representatives including 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, and a representative from the CGOA trawl voluntary cooperative.

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

No regulatory action will be taken at these meetings. Workgroup co-chairs will manage the meetings in a manner that encourages open and respectful exchange of information and ideas, seeking to achieve greater understanding on issues relevant to the subjects at hand.

After the workgroup has completed the work from each meeting a written summary will be prepared to capture and summarize the general discussion and any findings of the workgroup, which will then be made available to the public.

Agenda topics for the April meeting will include but 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.

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 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 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 Thursday, April 10, 2014**, to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.



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April 8, 2014  
Date