

**NOTICE OF PUBLIC MEETINGS OF THE
ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES**

Notice is given that the Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) will meet by teleconference on December 29, 2005, beginning at 10:00 am. The purpose of the teleconference is to consider two requests to alter the board's meeting schedule.

The board received a request from the North Pacific Fishery Management Council to delay consideration of a state waters Pacific cod fishery in the Aleutians Island area. At its recent meeting in December 2005, the board generated a proposal to consider this topic at its January 2006 regulatory meeting.

The board also received a request from the Department of Fish and Game to add to its March 2006 regulatory meeting consideration of action in the charter fisheries in Southeast and Southcentral of 1) limiting the number of lines to the number of customers onboard; and 2) limiting the retention of fish caught by skipper/crew when customers are onboard.

These requests are being considered under the board's Policy for Changing Board Agenda (5 AAC 39.999(b)) in order to coordinate state regulatory actions with federal fishery agencies, programs, or laws.

The board will not take oral public testimony during this session. Listen-only teleconference sites will be provided to the public in Juneau. For further information, a copy of the agenda, and addresses of the listen-in teleconference sites call Diana Cote at (907) 465-4110.

If you are a person with a disability who may need a special accommodation in order to participate, please contact Lori VanSteenwyk at (907) 465-4110 no later than 9 am on December 28, 2005 to ensure that any necessary accommodations can be provided.



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Alaska Board of Fisheries

December 21, 2005

Date