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2019 SOUTHEAST ALASKA NORTHERN SOUTHEAST INSIDE (NSEI) AND SOUTHERN SOUTHEAST INSIDE (SSEI) SUBDISTRICTS SABLEFISH INDUSTRY MEETING

Douglas...The Alaska Department of Fish and Game (ADF&G) will meet with Southeast Alaska sablefish stakeholders and interested members of the public on Tuesday, April 30, 2019, from 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m., to discuss the status of NSEI and SSEI sablefish stocks at the following locations:

- Sitka–University of Alaska Southeast, Room 106, 1332 Seward Ave, Sitka, AK, 99835
- Petersburg–Petersburg Library Ruth Sandvik Conference Room, 14 S. Second Street, Petersburg, AK 99833
- Douglas-ADF&G Southeast Regional Office, 802 3rd Street, Douglas, AK 99824

In addition to an overview of the NSEI and SSEI state fisheries, there will also be presentations on the Gulf of Alaska federal sablefish stock by federal stock assessment scientists and research on sperm whales from the Alaska Longline Fisherman's Association (ALFA) and the University of Alaska Fairbanks (UAF). Individuals unable to attend in person can call-in from any location and if they have a computer, smartphone, and/or tablet can attend the web conference with instructions detailed at the end of this news release.

The following agenda items will be presented at the meeting:

- NSEI Chatham Strait
 - Fishery and data review
 - o Preliminary age-structured assessment
 - Outlook for sablefish quota/decrement review
 - Upcoming research: escape ring study
- SSEI Clarence Strait
 - Fishery & data review
 - Outlook for sablefish quota
- GOA Federal sablefish fishery stock status
- ALFA sperm whale avoidance strategies
- UAF graduate research on sperm whale diet

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HOW TO SETUP WEBEX TO ATTEND A MEETING

Please review these instructions and test prior to the meeting. To set-up web conferencing, you will need the following:

- 1. A computer, smart phone, or tablet
- 2. An internet connection or 4G service if using a smartphone or tablet
- 3. If connecting with a computer, use Google Chrome. Other browsers may run into issues so please install Google Chrome from the following website: https://www.google.com/intl/en/chrome/browser/desktop/index.html
- 4. Using your browser, you will be prompted to install a WebEx browser extension click on "Add Extension"
- 5. If connecting with a tablet or smart phone download the Cisco Webex App:
 - a. Android users use the Google Play Store
 - b. Apple users use the App Store

To join the conference, please follow the instructions below.

- 1. For computer users:
 - a. Go to the following website using Google Chrome: www.webex.com
 - b. Click on Join Meeting
 - c. You will be prompted to download and install the Webex Chrome extension
 - d. Enter meeting number: 805 715 433
 - e. Enter your name and valid email address
- 2. For mobile users:
 - a. Click on the Webex app
 - b. Enter meeting number: 805 715 433
- 3. To connect audio and participate by phone:
 - a. Dial: 1-650-479-3207
 - b. Enter meeting ID: **805 715 433**
 - c. Enter attendee ID: just enter the pound sign (#)

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