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## Alaska Mariculture Task Force

### AGENDA

*Tuesday, October 15, 2019 @ 8:30am – noon AST*

APICDA, 302 Gold Street, Juneau, AK 99801

AFDF ZOOM conference info

Join via internet: <https://zoom.us/j/206379690>

Join via phone: 1-669-900-6833

Meeting ID: 206-379-690

- 1) Roll call
- 2) Review and approve agenda (5 mins)
- 3) Review and approve minutes: August 8, 2019 (5 mins)
- 4) Public introductions & comments (15 mins)
- 5) Updates by MTF members (30 mins):
  - a. New MTF member (Ginny Eckert)
  - b. Presentation to North Pacific Fisheries Management Council
  - c. ADFG - "Guidelines for Emerging Mariculture Industry and Marine Mammals Interactions"
  - d. Hiring – NOAA, ASG, University
  - e. NOAA workshop/ASGA conference
  - f. National Sea Grant Awards (see attachments/links)
  - g. Seaweed Training Workshops (Ketchikan, Sitka, Kodiak)
  - h. AFDF encouraged to submit 2 SK grant proposals (see attachments)
  - i. Meeting with ADEC Commissioner, Deputy Commissioner & C.Carpenter
  - j. Meeting with Alaska Development Team (Matt Fagnani, Clark Penney)
  - k. Meeting with Alaska Development Team, ADNR, ADEC, ADFG
  - l. Others
- 6) Old Business (60 mins):
  - a. Discuss Federal aquaculture bill (defer) – [US Senate Commerce Committee hearing on Oct. 16](#)
  - b. Action Plan – draft
    - i. Results of Fagnani meeting included
    - ii. Discuss finalization of document (by Jan. 21, 2020)
- 7) New Business (30 mins):
  - a. Discuss & recommend ASMI-related changes required to market aquatic farm products
  - b. Discuss & recommend other legislative changes (see Action Plan)
    - i. Allow for shellfish enhancement (HB 41)

- ii. Reduce burdensome requirements for farm lease renewal (HB 116)
  - iii. Reduce burdensome requirements for EVERY farm lease renewal
  - iv. Enable eco-tourism as an allowable activity at an aquatic farm
  - v. Reduce timeline and backlog for farm lease application review
  - vi. Community leasing and subleasing of farm sites
  - vii. Designate annual farm lease fees for DNR
  - viii. Increase term of farm lease from 1- to 20 years (this idea has been set aside, as it has multiple complications and would be a heavy lift)
- c. Discuss ADEC fees for PSP testing and water certification

**8) Work Groups - review tasks (15 mins)**

- a. Legislative Workgroup (McCarty, Rabung, Drobnica, Decker)
- b. Regulatory Workgroup (Rabung, McCarty, Wyatt, Decker, Sullivan, Stryker, Smith)
- c. Research Workgroup (Eckert, Stekoll, Wyatt, Foy, Decker)
- d. Action Plan Workgroup (McCarty, Decker, Hetrick, Scheurer, Drobnica, Wyatt, Stekoll)

9) Set next meeting date and time – Dec. 13, 16, or Jan. 9, 10 (5 mins)

10) Closing Comments & Adjournment (5 mins)

**Attachments/Links:**

- [MTF Appointments](#)
- Minutes – Draft – August 8, 2019
- [National Sea Grant Aquaculture Awards](#)
- SK Pre-proposal – Enabling Increased Sales of Alaska Seaweed
- SK Pre-proposal – Oyster Hatchery Capacity
- Action Plan – draft – 2019-10-13
- ASMI-related changes
- ASMI statutes
- ASMI Bylaws
- [SB22B info](#); [SB22B text](#); [HB41B info](#); [HB41B text](#)
- [HB 116B info](#); [HB 116B text](#)
- [New Zealand 5-Year Action Plan](#)
- [Alaska Mariculture Development Plan – full version](#)
- [Alaska Mariculture Development Plan – In Brief](#)
- Federal aquaculture bill – 2019 version – staff discussion draft
- [2018 Evaluation of US Shellfish Aquaculture Permitting Systems](#)

**Articles:**

- [Kelp Farming Increases to More Remote Alaska Locations](#)
- [Local Entrepreneur Aims to Start Kelp Farm](#)
- [Research will help seaweed farming and traditional aquaculture](#)
- [Enthusiasm continues building for mariculture industry](#)
- [North Pacific Focus \(Summer, 2019, pg. 22\) - Southeast Seed Supply](#)