

Southeast Sablefish Industry Meeting

April 30, 2021

1:00–4:00pm

Alaska Department of Fish and Game

Zoom Virtual Platform

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Meeting Objectives

- Review stock assessment and harvest data for sablefish
- Discuss management outcomes and outlooks for upcoming fisheries
- Develop, identify, and improve management policies collaboratively with industry

Agenda

1:00–1:10pm -Welcome & Introductions

- Introductions of staff
- Zoom features and basics
- Overview of meeting agenda, objectives, and expectations

1:10–2:00pm - NSEI/Chatham Strait and SSEI/Clarence Strait assessments

- Fishery and survey data review
- Overview of models/methods
- Outlook for recommended ABC/AHO and quota

2:00–2:10pm - BREAK

2:10–2:45pm - BOF Proposal Discussion

- Board of Fisheries Southeast finfish/shellfish meeting scheduled for January 4–15 in Ketchikan
 - **Proposal 215:** change sablefish fishing seasons for NSEI and SSEI to coincide with federal IFQ sablefish fishery;
 - **Proposal 216:** extend SSEI season end date to December 15 and only allow pot gear during the extension;
 - **Proposal 220:** Allow pots as a legal gear type in NSEI;
 - **Proposal 221:** Reduce escape ring size for commercial sablefish pot gear from 4 inches to 3.75 inches;
 - **Proposal 223:** Implement escape rings at 3.75 inches and tunnel opening requirements for personal use and subsistence fishing pot gear for sablefish

2:45–3:30pm - NOAA Sablefish Assessment and Sleeper Shark Project

3:30–4:00pm - Q&A / Actionable Items and Deliverables