

DRAFT AGENDA

Joint NPFMC/Board of Fish meeting
Tuesday, December 8, 2009
Anchorage, Alaska
Hilton Hotel Aleutian Room
11:00 am to 5:00 pm
(LUNCH on site from 12:30 pm to 1:00 pm)

1. Call to order (Mr. Olson will Chair)
2. Approve Agenda
3. Review Joint Protocol Agreement (Chris Oliver and Jim Marcotte)
 - Review current Joint Protocol Agreement and revised draft developed by Executive Directors
 - Consider approving revised Joint Protocol Agreement
4. Status of Steller Sea Lion Biological Opinion (Bill Wilson - Council/NMFS staff)
 - Receive background report on SSL and groundfish interactions
 - Review impacts relative to previous Board of Fish proposals
 - Receive report on current Biological Opinion process and potential impacts
5. Discuss Board proposals potentially affection federal groundfish fisheries (Wayne Donaldson/ other ADF&G staff)
 - Receive summary of relevant Board proposals
 - Discuss process for formulating potential Council comments (could be done during staff tasking agenda item at December Council meeting)
6. Status of GOA cod federal actions (Jeannie Heltzel - Council staff)
 - Receive overview of proposed action
 - Specific discussion of jig sector management and parallel waters aspects
7. Status of chum salmon bycatch action (Diana Stram/Nicole Kimball - Council staff)
 - Receive overview of chum stock status (ADF&G)
 - Receive overview of alternatives, salmon bycatch workgroup recommendations, outreach plan, and timeline for analysis/Council action
 - Review action on Chinook salmon bycatch and timeline for implementation
8. Update on broader Council community/rural outreach (Nicole Kimball - Council staff)
 - Receive overview of initiative and review previous and current recommendations of the Council's Outreach Committee
9. Crab and scallop annual catch limits, crab overfishing (Diana Stram - Council staff)

- Review progress on crab and scallop annual catch limits (ACLs)
 - Review requirements for Council and BOF to implement crab rebuilding amendments
10. Update on Walrus and fishery interactions issues (Bill Wilson/Diana Evans - Council staff)
 - Receive overview of issues and status of Council considerations
 - Review letter from USFWS to Council suggesting coordination with State of Alaska
 11. Update on Arctic Fishery Management Plan (Bill Wilson - Council staff)
 12. Update on Federal Groundfish Observer Program restructuring initiative (Nicole Kimball - Council staff)
 13. Other business
 14. Public comment on all agenda items
 15. Council/Board of Fish action where necessary
 - Identify issues of concern to either body and establish timeline/processes for future communication
 - Consider issues for possible deferral to Joint Protocol Committee
 16. Adjourn