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**TENTATIVE COMMITTEE ROADMAP**

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 1: COMMERCIAL CRAB AND SCALLOPS**  
**(27 PROPOSALS; Chair-Wood)**

***Norton Sound King Crab (3 proposals)***

- 272 Modify the start of the fishing season to open July 1 instead of June 15.
- 273 Modify the start of the winter fishing season to open by emergency order on or after February 1 instead of opening on February 1.
- 274 Increases the legal size of male red king crab from four and three-quarter inches to five inches and increase size of pot escape mechanisms.

***Bristol Bay and Aleutian Islands King Crab (5 proposals)***

- 275 Update Bristol Bay red king crab harvest strategy used to set annual harvest limits.
- 277 Establish Aleutian Islands state-waters golden king crab fishery.
- 278 Establish pot limit for the Aleutian Islands golden king crab fishery.
- 276 Amend longline king pot storage depth from 75 to 100 fathoms or less.
- 279 Amend vessel gear sharing and transfer provisions in the rationalized Aleutian Islands golden king crab fishery west of 174° W. longitude.

***Registration Area J Tanner and Snow Crab (11 proposals)***

- 290 Change season opening date for the Kodiak District commercial Tanner crab fishery from January 15 to February 20.
- 289 Amend pot limit for the Kodiak District commercial Tanner crab fishery.
- 282 Amend escape mechanism requirements for Kodiak District commercial Tanner crab gear.
- 284 Allow catcher vessels to operate as tenders during the Kodiak District commercial Tanner crab fishery.
- 285 Repeal and replace the South Peninsula District Tanner crab harvest strategy.
- 286 Repeal South Peninsula District Tanner crab harvest strategy and replace with size, sex, and season management.
- 287 Amend definition of preferred sized males in the commercial Bering Sea District Tanner crab harvest strategy.
- 288 Amend definition of preferred sized males in the commercial Bering Sea District snow crab harvest strategy.



- 291 Formalize the closure of Bristol Bay waters east of 163°W. long. to directed Tanner crab fishing.
- 283 Allow longlining of Bering Sea District commercial snow and Tanner crab pot gear.
- 292 Amend Tanner crab landing requirements for Registration Area J.

***Registration Area J Dungeness Crab (5 proposals)***

- 294 Establish 58-foot vessel length limit for Alaska Peninsula District commercial Dungeness crab fishery.
- 296 Amend Registration Area J Dungeness crab vessel inspection requirements.
- 297 Amend Dungeness crab pot gear operation requirements for Registration Area J.
- 293 Amend season dates for the Kodiak District commercial Dungeness crab fishery.
- 295 Amend Dungeness crab season dates for the North Peninsula District of Registration Area J.

***Statewide Scallops and Shellfish Observer Program (3 proposals)***

- 298 Amend the State-Waters Weathervane Management Plan to ban scallop dredges, allow pots and other gear types to be used, impose trip limits, require observers, and eliminate the VMS requirement.
- 280 Amend contracting agent performance standards.
- 281 Amend observer trainee minimum qualifications.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 2: SUBSISTENCE, SPORT, PERSONAL USE SHELLFISH, and PRINCE WILLIAM SOUND AND KODIAK SHRIMP (22 proposals; Chair-Chamberlain)**

***Dungeness Crab (3 proposals)***

- 263 Open the Cook Inlet subsistence Dungeness crab fishery.
- 265 Establish season, bag, possession, annual, and size limits, and methods and means for Dungeness crab in Cook Inlet – Resurrection Bay.
- 264 Allow harvest of Dungeness crab in the Cook Inlet sport Tanner crab fishery.

***Tanner Crab (3 proposals)***

- 267 Modify the noncommercial Tanner crab fishery thresholds.
- 268 Prohibit harvest of Tanner crab from a charter vessel.
- 266 Allow additional gear types in the personal use crab fishery.

***Razor Clam (3 proposals)***

- 269 Implement a permit for harvesting razor clams in Cook Inlet sport and personal use fisheries.
- 270 Modify the East Cook Inlet Razor Clam Sport and Personal Use Fishery Management Plan.
- 271 Reduce the East side razor clam bag limit.

***PWS Shrimp Management Plan (6 proposals)***

- 299 Develop a Prince William Sound pot shrimp management plan.
- 300 Modify the Prince William Sound noncommercial shrimp fishery management plan.
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- 302 Modify the Prince William Sound shrimp pot fishery guideline harvest level.
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- 304 Delay the season opening by two weeks in the noncommercial and commercial shrimp fisheries.

***PWS Shrimp Noncommercial (3 proposals)***

- 305 Prohibit noncommercial shrimp participants from carrying additional shrimp gear.
- 306 Modify the Prince William Sound shrimp pot reporting requirements.
- 307 Align the season start time of the Prince William Sound noncommercial and commercial shrimp fisheries.

***PWS and Kodiak Shrimp Commercial (4 proposals)***

- 308 Reduce the total number of shrimp pots allowed in the Prince William Sound shrimp pot fishery.
- 309 Change season dates for Registration Area J commercial shrimp fishery.
- 310 Remove the Prince William Sound shrimp pot fishing area rotation.
- 311 Allow vessels participating in the Prince William Sound shrimp pot fishery to also operate as tenders.

**COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE GROUP 3: KENAI RIVER LATE-RUN KING SALMON STOCK OF CONCERN MANAGEMENT PLAN, KVICHAK RIVER SPECIAL HARVEST AREA, KODIAK SALMON AND HERRING (5 proposals; Chair-Godfrey)**

***Kenai River Late-Run King Salmon Stock of Concern Management Plan (2 proposals)***

- 312 Increase the season dates and weekly fishing periods for dip net gear under the *Kenai River late-run king salmon stock of concern management plan*.
- 313 Add set beach seine nets as legal gear under the *Kenai River late-run king salmon stock of concern management plan*.

***Kvichak River Special Harvest Area (1 proposal)***

- 314 Create a Kvichak River Special Harvest Area to allow harvest of Kvichak River sockeye salmon while conserving Naknek River sockeye salmon.

***Kodiak Commercial Salmon and Herring (2 proposals)***

- 315 Allow CFEC salmon set gillnet permit holders who form a joint venture in the Central Section of the Northwest Kodiak District to operate 25 fathoms additional set gillnet gear.
- 316 Modify herring purse seine gear, fishing seasons and periods, and herring sac roe harvest strategy to increase commercial herring harvest.