

**Alaska Board of Fisheries
Charge to Prince William Sound
Management and Allocation Plan Workgroup
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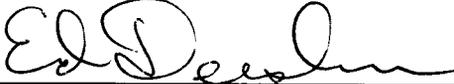
The Alaska Board of Fisheries has established a committee, composed of board members Art Nelson (Chair), Dr. Fred Bouse and Mel Morris. The committee will examine the Prince William Sound Management and Salmon Enhancement Allocation Plan (5 AAC 24.370), and the cost recovery plan for the Prince William Sound Aquaculture Association (PWSAC). The goal is for the committee to reach a better understanding of past and present allocation and cost recovery issues and to explore options to find an equitable allocation balance between the user groups.

The committee will establish a panel of advisors, which will be composed of two seine-only, two drift gillnet-only, one combination gear representative (drift gillnet/seine), one setnetter, and two PWSAC managers, to advise the committee. The panel will meet to review past and present allocation policies of PWSAC and board regulations, and to develop an understanding of future PWSAC plans to achieve the board's goal of equity within the user groups.

Additionally, the committee will prepare a list of recommendations for presentation to the entire board. The goal is to provide board guidance to PWSAC, as mandated by statute 5 AAC 24.370, and establish a review process to insure that results are consistent with board expectations.

The committee will report to the board upon completion of its work.

Dated: October 3, 2003
Anchorage, Alaska



Ed Dersham, Chair

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