

March 13, 2014

**DRAFT AGENDA**  
**217th Plenary Session**  
**North Pacific Fishery Management Council**  
**April 9-14, 2014**  
**Hilton Hotel**

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet at the Hilton Hotel, 500 West 3<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Anchorage, AK. Other meetings to be held during the week are:

Committee/Panel

Scientific and Statistical Committee  
Advisory Panel  
Ecosystem Committee

Beginning

April 7-9, 2014 – King Salmon/Illiamna  
April 8-11, 2014 – Dillingham/Katmai  
April 8, 2014 – Birch/Willow – 10 am - 5 pm

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**INFORMATION FOR PERSONS WISHING TO PROVIDE PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Sign-up sheets are available at the registration table for those wishing to provide public comments on a specific agenda item. Sign-up must be completed **before** public comment begins on that agenda item. Additional names are generally not accepted **after** public comment has begun.

**Submission of Written Comments.** Written comments and materials to be included in Council meeting notebooks must be received at the Council office by 5:00 pm (Alaska Time) on **TUESDAY April 1, 2014**. Written and oral comments should include a statement of the source and date of information provided as well as a brief description of the background and interests of the person(s) submitting the statement. Comments can be sent by mail, fax or email. **It is the submitter's responsibility to provide an adequate number of copies of comments after the deadline.** Materials provided **during** the meeting for distribution to Council members should be provided to the Council secretary. A minimum of **25** copies is needed to ensure that Council members, the executive director, NOAA General Counsel, appropriate staff, and the official meeting record each receive a copy. If copies are to be made available for the Advisory Panel (**28**), Scientific and Statistical Committee (**18**), or the public after the pre-meeting deadline, they must also be provided by the submitter. If presentations, photographs, or other materials shown during public testimony are intended to be part of the official record, it is the testifiers' responsibility to provide copies to the Council secretary.

Submission of EMAIL Comments: The Council is accepting email comments at one email address: [npfmc.comments@noaa.gov](mailto:npfmc.comments@noaa.gov)

The Comments must identify the submitter by legal name, affiliation, and date, and must also identify the specific agenda item by number (C-1(a) for example), and must be submitted by the comment deadline. Comments received under these conditions, will be sorted, copied, and included in the Council notebooks. PDF attachments will be accepted, as long as the above criteria are met. Comment received after the deadline will not be copied and distributed, but will be treated the same as written late comments. Emails submitted for the comments must be to the above address, and not to specific Council staff or Council members. Additionally, email comments will only be accepted on items that are on the scheduled agenda. A return receipt will be issued automatically upon opening the electronic comment

## **FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE ADVISORY PANEL**

The Advisory Panel has revised its operating guidelines to incorporate a strict time management approach to its meetings. Rules for testimony before the Advisory Panel have been developed which are similar to those used by the Council. Members of the public wishing to testify before the AP **must** sign up on the list for each topic listed on the agenda. Sign-up sheets are provided in a special notebook located at the back of the room. The deadline for registering to testify is when the agenda topic comes before the AP. The time available for individual and group testimony will be based on the number registered and determined by the AP Chairman. **The AP may not take public testimony on items for which they will not be making recommendations to the Council.**

## **FOR THOSE WISHING TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE**

The usual practice is for the SSC to call for public comment immediately following the staff presentation on each agenda item. The Committee will discourage testimony that does not directly address the technical issues of concern to the SSC. **Presentations lasting more than five minutes will require prior approval from the Chair.**

### **Commonly used Acronyms**

AI - Aleutian Islands	IFQ - Individual Fishing Quota
AFA - American Fisheries Act	IPQ - Individual Processor Quotas
BBRKC - Bristol Bay Red King Crab	IPA - Incentive Program Agreements
BiOp - Biological Opinion	MPA - Marine Protected Area
BKC - Blue King Crab	NOI - Notice of Intent
BSAI - Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands	PSEIS - Programmatic Supplemental Impact Statement
BSFRF - Bering Sea Fisheries Research Foundation	PSC - Prohibited Species Catch
BSIERP - Bering Sea Integrated Ecosystem Research Program	RKC - Red King Crab
AK BOF - Alaska Board of Fisheries	ROFR - Right of First Refusal
CDQ - Community Development Quota	SAFE - Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation
CIE - Center for Independent Experts	SSL - Steller Sea Lion
CGOA - Central Gulf of Alaska	TAC - Total Allowable Catch
CQE - Community Quota Entity	VMS - Vessel Monitoring System
EDR - Economic Data Reporting	
EFP - Exempted Fishing Permit	
EIS - Environmental Impact Statement	
EFH - Essential Fish Habitat	
FLL - Freezer longliners	
GOA - Gulf of Alaska	
GKC - Golden King Crab	
GHL - Guideline Harvest Level	
HAPC - Habitat Areas of Particular Concern	
IBA - Individual Bycatch Accounting	
IBQ - Individual Bycatch Quota	
ICA - Inter-cooperative Agreements	



# NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

## Meeting Agenda

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**April 2014 Meeting** Meeting Schedule, Agenda (without attachments), Committee Meeting Agendas, and Public Comment Information. Meeting will be broadcast through npfmc.webex.com.

**Attachments:** Schedule of Events and Public Comment Information.pdf

### A. CALL MEETING TO ORDER

**ID 14-013** Approval of Agenda April 2014

**ID 14-014** Approval of Minutes

**REP 14-062** In Meeting Minutes

### B. REPORTS (4 hours)

**B1 REP 14-044** Executive Director's Report (including MSA update)

**B2 REP 14-046** NMFS Management Report (including EM update)

**B3 REP 14-047** ADF&G Report

**B4 REP 14-048** USCG Report

**B5 REP 14-050** USFWS Report

**B6 REP 14-051** Protected Species Report

**C. MAJOR ISSUES/FINAL ACTION ITEMS (38 hours)**

**C1 Cons 14-009** Steller Sea Lion

**C2 BYC 14-004** GOA Trawl Bycatch Management: Discussion Paper; Review Draft EDR forms

**C3 Catch 14-006** Review Fishery Cooperative Reports

**C4 Crab 14-003** BSAI Crab Cooperative reports; Discuss Template

**C5 Catch 14-005** Amendment 80 Program 5-year Review

**C6 Cons 14-010** Round Island Transit: Final action

**C7 BYC 14-005** Bering Sea Pollock fishery Chinook IPA and Chum ICA reports; BS and GOA Salmon PSC Genetics Update

**C8 FMP 14-002** Scallop SAFE: Plan Team report and OFL/ABC specifications

**C9 Cons 14-011** Bering Sea Canyons: Discussion paper

**D. OTHER ISSUES (4 hours)**

**D1 Cons 14-008** Ecosystem Committee Report on ecosystem action planning

**D2 Cons 14-012** EFH 5-year Review - Update

**D3 ID 14-017** PSEIS SIR - Review

**D4 ID 14-019** Research Priorities database - SSC Review

**D5 GF 14-006** Pacific cod assessment models - SSC review

**E. STAFF TASKING (4 hours)**

**E1 ID 14-021** Committees and Staff Tasking

**Draft Agenda Schedule**

**APRIL 2014**

	<b>SSC King Salmon/Illiamna</b>	<b>AP Dillingham/Katmai</b>	<b>Council Aleutian Room</b>
<b>Monday Apr 7</b>	8:00 am C-2 GOA Trawl Bycatch D-2 EFH 5-year Review		
	1:00 pm C-7 Salmon Genetics C-8 Scallop SAFE		
<b>Tuesday Apr 8</b> Ecosystem Committee meeting 10am-5pm Birch/Willow Room	8:00 am C-9 Bering Sea Canyons C-5 Am 80 5-yr review	8:00 am C-1 SSL C-2 GOA Trawl Bycatch	
	1:00 pm D-5 P. Cod Models	1:00 pm C-2 continued	
<b>Wednesday Apr 9</b>	8:00 am D-3 PSEIS SIR Review D-4 Research Priorities	8:00 am C-2 continued C-3 Coop Reports	8:00 am B reports
	1:00 pm continue as necessary	1:00 pm C-5 Am 80 5-year Review	1:00 pm C-1 SSL
<b>Thursday Apr 10</b>		8:00 am C-6 Round Island Transit	8:00 am C-2 GOA Trawl Bycatch
		1:00 pm C-7 Bering Sea IPA Rpts C-8 Scallop SAFE	1:00 pm C-2 continued
<b>Friday Apr 11</b>		8:00 am C-9 Bering Sea Canyons D-2 EFH 5-year Review	8:00 am C-2 continued C-3 Coop Reports
		1:00 pm D-3 PSEIS SIR Review E-1 Staff Tasking	<b>12:30pm Executive Session (T)</b> 1:00 pm C-3 continued C-4 BSAI Crab Coops
<b>Saturday Apr 12</b>			8:00 am C-5 Am 80 5-year Review
			1:00 pm C-6 Round Island Transit
<b>Sunday Apr 13</b> Reception with NMFS AA 6pm			8:00 am C-7 Bering Sea IPA Rpts C-8 Scallop SAFE
			1:00 pm C-9 Bering Sea Canyons
<b>Monday Apr 14</b>			8:00 am NMFS AA visit D-1 Ecosystem Report D-2 EFH 5-year Review D-3 PSEIS SIR Review
			1:00 pm E-1 Staff Tasking

**NOTE: The above agenda items may not be taken in the order in which they appear and are subject to change as necessary. All meetings are open to the public with the exception of Council Executive Sessions.**

*Updated March 13, 2014*