



**NORTH PACIFIC FISHERY
MANAGEMENT COUNCIL**
Meeting Agenda

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**Joint Meeting of the North Pacific Fishery Management Council and
International Pacific Halibut Commission**

February 5, 2015 - 10:00 am - 5:30 pm

10:00 - 10:45 AM

1. Introductions/opening comments (Hull, IPHC Chairman)

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2. Brief history of NPFMC/IPHC/NMFS interactions (Oliver/Leaman)

Attachments: [History of Interactions](#)

3. Brief description of respective management authorities and applicable laws (Pollard)

Attachments: [Brief Overview of Legal Authorities of IPHC and NPFMC](#)

10:45 - 11:30 AM

4. Current data/information collection issues relative to stock assessment and management

4a. Reconciling bycatch estimates for use in stock assessment and FCEY determinations (Merrill/Leaman)

Attachments: [Reconciling bycatch estimates](#)

[Halibut_metricTons](#)

[Halibut_netweight](#)

4b. Improving estimates of discard mortalities and DMRs in the directed halibut and other fisheries (Merrill/Leaman)

Attachments: [Improving Estimates of DMR](#)

11:30 AM - 12:00 PM

5. Discussion of current management measures and issues of mutual interest

Attachments: [NPFMC SSC February C-4 Total Mortality](#)
[NPFMC SSC February C-5 Halibut_PSC](#)

5a. IPHC total mortality accounting framework (Stewart) and SSC review

Attachments: [Total Mortality Report Feb2015](#)
[PRESENTATION 5a accounting and managing removals](#)

12:00 - 1:00 PM

LUNCH BREAK

1:00 - 2:00 PM

5b. Council BSAI halibut PSC reduction package (Evans) and SSC review

Attachments: [ExecSumm of BSAI halibut PSC limits - Jan 19 2015](#)
[BSAI halibut PSC limits - EA-RIR-IRFA - Jan 19 2015](#)

5c. Abundance-based PSC limits (background discussion being drafted by NPFMC/IPHC)

Attachments: [BSAI Crab-Herring PSC Limits](#)
[IPHC Considerations Abundance PSC](#)

2:00 - 2:30 PM

6. Identify areas of mutual interest in research and facilitation of management (AFSC/NMFS/IPHC)

Attachments: [Past Present Future AFSC Research Related to Pacific Halibut](#)

2:30 - 3:30 PM

7. PUBLIC COMMENT

Attachments: [Signup Testifier List Joint Council-IPHC mtg 02-05-15](#)

3:45 - 5:30 PM

8. Council/IPHC discussion of all agenda items

Attachments: [IPHC-NPFMC Joint Meeting Summary](#)