

Public Testimony for Agenda Item F.6, Amendment 20: Trawl Rationalization Alternatives

A substantial volume of public testimony is expected under Agenda Item F.6, Trawl Rationalization Alternatives. The public is encouraged to assemble panels to present common perspectives, to eliminate repetitive, duplicative comments. Individuals not on panels are encouraged to state their agreement or disagreement with panel perspectives, again in an effort to reduce redundant comments and save time; new perspectives not mentioned by panels are encouraged.

Possible panels include:

1. Fishery participants in the Catcher-Processor Sector;
2. Fishery participants in the Mothership Sector;
3. Fishery participants in the Shoreside Whiting Sector;
4. Fishery participants in the Shoreside Non-Whiting Sector;
5. Processors;
6. Non-governmental organizations that are not fishery participants.

Panels would be composed of three to six people and be provided 15 minutes.

Non-panel, individual testifiers will likely be afforded less than the standard time allowance, to accommodate the time constraints of the meeting. This is in accordance with advance notice that time allowed for testifying may be reduced by the Chair, if necessary.

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