

AGENDA¹
COUNCIL COORDINATION COMMITTEE MEETING
LONG WHARF MARRIOTT HOTEL
296 STATE STREET
BOSTON, MASSACHUSETTS
MAY 19-22, 2009

"BEST PRACTICES"

Monday, May 18, 2009

- 4:00-6:00 p.m. Registration Table in hotel lobby; pick up meeting materials & submit payments for meeting events (Red Sox game, Duck Tour/dinner)
- 6:30 p.m. Welcoming reception at hotel

Tuesday, May 19, 2009

- 8:30 a.m. Welcome - John Pappalardo, NEFMC Chair / NMFS Assistant Administrator
- Joint Council/NMFS Session
- 10:00 a.m. **Break**
- 10:15 a.m. Separate Council/NMFS Sessions
- Roundtable Discussion of Major Issues Each Council is Working on
 - Review each CCC Agenda Item. The goal of the joint sessions with NMFS will be to explain how each Council is addressing the specific agenda issue. Our goal is to share this information to identify best practices employed in each Region.
- 11:45 a.m. **Lunch**
- 1:00 p.m. Separate Council's Session and NMFS Session (cont.)
- 2:30 p.m. **Break**
- 2:45 p.m. Separate Council's Session and NMFS Session (cont.)
- 5:00 p.m. Adjourn
- 7:05 p.m. Red Sox v. Toronto Blue Jays game

¹ The established times for addressing items on the agenda may be adjusted as necessary to accommodate the timely completion of discussion relevant to the agenda items. Such adjustments may result in the meeting being extended from, or completed prior to the date established by the agenda.

Wednesday, May 20, 2009

Joint Council's and NMFS Session

I. 8:30 a.m. ACLs and AMs

Each Council will be allotted 5-10 minutes to discuss how they are progressing with the new MSA requirement to implement of ACLs and AMs. Each council will explain how they are dealing with recreational and state fisheries; low level bycatches in non-directed fisheries; non-target species; the need to accurately monitor ACLs/AMs across all fisheries on a real-time basis.

NMFS will be asked to discuss how they are dealing with the implementation, administration and monitoring of ACLs and AMs, particularly from a resource stand point.

10:00 a.m. Break

II. 10:15 a.m. Ecosystem Based Management

Each Council will be allotted 5-10 minutes to discuss their efforts to address Ecosystem Based Fisheries Management. In addition, each Council will discuss what, if any, Ocean/Ecosystem governance discussions are going on in their region and how is your Council engaged. NMFS will be asked to discuss ongoing ocean governance discussions in NOAA.

11:45 a.m. Lunch

III. 1:00 p.m. Budgets

NMFS will be asked to discuss the 2009 NOAA/NMFS budget (especially in the event there are available funds (soft money) to be identified for Council use), 2010 and 2011 updates. In addition, any follow-up to the Council's 2010-2014, 5 year budget submissions.

2:30 p.m. Break

IV. 2:45 p.m. LAPPs Development and Implementation

Each Council will be allotted 5–10 minutes to discuss existing LAPPs and those under development in their region. Each Council will explain how they are dealing with comprehensive observer coverage and dockside monitoring. NMFS will be asked to discuss how they are dealing with administration and enforcement, particularly from a resource standpoint.

6:00 p.m. Board a "Duck" for a Historic Tour of Boston followed by dinner at the Union Oyster House

Thursday, May 21, 2009

V. 8:30 a.m. Standardized Management Actions

*Each Council will be allotted 5-10 minutes to discuss the different documents they prepare to submit management actions (Amendments, Frameworks, Specification Packages, etc.); how does each submission differ, how are NEPA requirements incorporated (is there a separate FMP and a separate EIS, or one unified document); how long does each action take from start to submission. **NMFS will be asked to discuss the review processes for the differing submission documents, especially the amount of time needed to review before publication in the Federal Register.***

10:00 a.m. **Break**

VI. 10:15 a.m. SSC Operating Procedures

*An SSC member and Council staff member who attended the meeting in Hawaii will be asked to brief the CCC on their findings. Each Council will be allotted 5-10 minutes to discuss how they are using their SSCs to establish ABCs and make recommendations. Each Council will discuss their role and their SSC's role in stock assessment and peer review processes. **NMFS will be asked to address the need for a national Peer Review policy.***

11:45 a.m. **Lunch**

VII. 1:00 p.m. Enforcement and Safety

US Coast Guard will be asked to report on national fishing vessel safety and enforcement issues. NMFS (ole) will be asked to report on national enforcement and VMS issues.

2:30 p.m. **Break**

VIII. 2:45 p.m. Legislation and Regulation updates

NMFS will be asked to provide the status of the following: MPA Nomination Process, National Standard 2 guidelines, NEPA, MRIP, Coral Reef Conservation Act, National Marine Sanctuary Act, Ocean Heritage Act, Oceans Policy Act, SOPPs, HR 21, HR 4087, HR 5425, any other legislation which may potentially impact the Councils and NMFS; International Issues

6:00 p.m. Dinner on own

Friday, May 22, 2009

IX. 8:30 a.m. Grants Workshop Report

NMFS will be asked to summarize the Grants Workshop, which is being held the week before the CCC in Silver Spring.

10:00 a.m. **Break**

X. 10:15 a.m. Council-only session

Wrap up and feedback. The Councils will discuss planning for the Next CCC Meeting – Host Council.