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GROUNDFISH TRAWL GEAR MODIFICATION WORKSHOP

JULY 26th - 28th

HALLMARK HOTEL - NEWPORT, OREGON

Tuesday, July 26th

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5:30 – 7:00 Opening Reception

7:00 Dinner

Wednesday, July 27th

7:30 -	8:30	Breakfast	on-site

8:30 – 8:45 Welcome: David Crabbe – Pacific Fishery Management Council Member

Opening remarks:

Brad Pettinger – Oregon Trawl Commission Shems Jud – Environmental Defense Fund

8:45 – 10:15 Optimizing Quota – Reducing Groundfish Bycatch

4 speakers from the West Coast and Alaska sharing their experiences with optimizing use of quota by reducing bycatch of rockfish and sablefish

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Optimizing Quota - Reducing Halibut Bycatch

4 speakers from the West Coast and Alaska discussing gear modification strategies for reducing bycatch of Pacific Halibut

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch on-site

1:00 – 4:00 Enhancing Flexibility and Markets – gear restrictions, sustainability issues, and reducing bottom impacts

7 speakers from Alaska, the East Coast and the West Coast discussing current gear restrictions and rationales, the role those regulations play in recent sustainability assessments, and research being conducted on habitat impacts.

4:00 – 5:00 Break

5:00 – 8:00 Reception, gear viewing, and dinner at Foulweather trawl gear shop

Thursday, July 28th

7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast on-site

8:30 - 8:45 Opening remarks

8:45 – 10:15 Reducing Fuel Costs – Innovative designs and deployment strategies

4 speakers discussing recent innovations in door and net design and strategies for effective deployment and answering questions.

10:15 – 10:30 Break

10:30 – 12:00 Optimizing time on the water – Electronics and Cameras

4 speakers sharing experiences and perspectives on the latest in sensors and cameras, across a range of uses price points

12:00 – 1:00 Lunch on-site

1:00 – 2:00 Facilitating adoption – finding incentives and financing

4 speakers from the West Coast and Alaska providing perspectives and tools for overcoming barriers to adoption

2:00 – 3:20 Facilitated discussion of next steps and new directions

3:20 – 3:30 Concluding remarks

3:30 Adjourn



Chuck Tracy - NOAA Affiliate <chuck.tracy@noaa.gov>

Please RSVP to the Groundfish Trawl Gear Modification Workshop by Thursday, June 30th!

3 messages

Katherine Mah <kmah@edf.org> To: "chuck.tracy@noaa.gov" <chuck.tracy@noaa.gov> Thu, Jun 16, 2016 at 3:35 PM

Dear Chuck.

We are excited to invite you to the Groundfish Trawl Gear Modification Workshop at the Hallmark Hotel in Newport, Oregon from the 26th through the 28th of July! The goal of the workshop is to bring West Coast fishermen together with researchers and others from around the country to share experiences with gear modifications aimed at reducing bycatch, fuel costs and impacts. Please find a draft agenda attached.

Confirmation: Please RSVP by June 30th if you hope to attend. Registration is free! We understand that fishermen need to take advantage of good weather windows but if you are potentially interested, please RSVP and cancel later if necessary. Rooms and meals are included. Participants will be checking in on the evening of the 26th and the workshop will be on the 27th and 28th, ending mid-afternoon on the 28th. Please respond with the nights that you will need accommodation for.

Booking travel: Travel assistance is available on a limited basis. If you need help with costs please contact me and we can make necessary arrangements.

Lodging: We've already reserved hotel space at the Hallmark Hotel. Rooms are reserved for two nights: July 26th and 27th. No further action is needed from you.

Again, please respond by **June 30th** and feel free to contact me with any guestions!

We look forward to seeing you at the event!

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Chuck Tracy - NOAA Affiliate <chuck.tracy@noaa.gov>

To: Donald McIsaac - NOAA Affiliate < Donald.McIsaac@dma-consulting.net>

Thu, Jun 16, 2016 at 3:43 PM

Hi Don;

This is the gear workshop situation. I'll give Kathrine or Shems a call tomorrow about holding some spots for GMT, but cost looks cheap. Contractor just arrived so will talk to you later, call if you want in an hour or so.

Given that hotel and meals are covered, so only cost for GMT would be transportation, do you think [Quoted text hidden]

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Donald McIsaac <donald.mcisaac@dma-consulting.net> To: Chuck Tracy - NOAA Affiliate <chuck.tracy@noaa.gov> Mon, Jun 20, 2016 at 8:19 AM

I would say go ahead an canvas the GMT as to who wants to attend, and give them the green light to sign up. If anyone asks about the lack of advance budgeting to say that you intend to reduce another budgeted category if necessary to balance the budget. No one will likely ask which, but you could say staff training or unanticipated ED travel if pressed.

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