

STAFF PROPOSAL FOR TRAWL CATCH SHARE REVIEW AND INTERSECTOR ALLOCATION HEARINGS

The process followed for the last trawl catch share review can be found on the [Trawl Catch Share Review web page](#). As part of that process, hearings were held over two weeks in 2016 at the following ports:

Seattle	Eureka
Westport	Fort Bragg
Astoria	Half Moon Bay
Newport	San Luis Obispo
Coos Bay	

The staff hearings proposal for the current review was developed with the following concepts and considerations in mind:

- Hearings will cover both trawl catch shares and intersector allocations
 - Intersector allocations to be covered include trawl/non-trawl allocations from Amendment 21¹, non-tribal sablefish, within trawl whiting, and Pacific halibut bycatch allowances.
- A mix of virtual and in-person hearings can accommodate different participation preferences, a broad range of geographic locales, and may provide options for those who have time conflicts on the day of the in-person hearing in their area.
- Participation in the Council process might be expanded by locating in-person hearings in ports that are distant from the usual Council meeting locations. The next action on this issue is scheduled for the June 2023 Council meeting in Vancouver, Washington.

On the basis of the above, and also taking into consideration budget and staff time required for in-person meetings, the staff proposes for Council consideration four in-person hearings and two virtual hearings to be completed over a 1.5-week period:

Proposed for 2023		
Date	In Person	Virtual
Weds, April 26		Coastwide: Evening
Thurs, April 27	Choose: Seattle, or Westport	
Mon, May 1	Choose: Astoria, Newport, or Coos Bay	
Tues, May 2	Eureka	
Weds, May 3		Coastwide: Mid-Day
Thurs, May 4	Choose: San Luis Obispo or Monterey	

¹ Lingcod North, Pacific Cod, Sablefish South, Pacific Ocean Perch, Chilipepper South, Splitnose South, Yellowtail North, Shortspine Thorny North, Shortspine Thorny South, Longspine Thorny North, Darkblotched Rockfish, Slope Rockfish North, Dover Sole, English Sole, Arrowtooth Flounder, Starry Flounder, and Other Flatfish.