



16 March 2017

IPHC CIRCULAR 2017-006

SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 10th SESSION OF THE SCIENTIFIC REVIEW BOARD (SRB10)

Dear Commissioners,

In accordance with Rules 6.5 and 8.1 of the International Pacific Halibut Commission's (IPHC) Rules of Procedure (2017), I am pleased to inform you that the 10th Session of the IPHC Scientific Review Board (SRB10) will be held 14-16 June 2017 at the IPHC offices in Seattle, WA, U.S.A.

The draft agenda and schedule is attached for your information. If you wish for any additional items to be incorporated, please provide them no later than 45 days prior to the Session (30 April 2017).

Other information concerning the meeting, including electronic versions of documents to be considered, will be published on the IPHC website as they become available, but no later than 30 days prior to the commencement of the Session (15 May 2017), in accordance with Rule 8.4 of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2017).

Yours sincerely,

Stephen Keith
Assistant Director, IPHC

by direction

Attachments:

Attachment I: Draft: Agenda and Schedule for the 10th Session of the IPHC Scientific Review Board (SRB10) – IPHC-2017-SRB10-01



**DRAFT: AGENDA & SCHEDULE FOR THE 10th SESSION OF THE IPHC
SCIENTIFIC REVIEW BOARD (SRB10)**

Date: 14–16 June 2017

Location: Seattle, Washington, U.S.A.

Venue: IPHC Office, Salmon Bay

Time: 09:00-17:00, 09:00-12:00 (the 16th)

Chairperson: Dr Sean Cox (Simon Fraser University)

Vice-Chairpersons: Dr James Ianelli (NOAA Fisheries Alaska Fishery Science Center;
Dr Marc Mangel (University of California Santa Cruz)

1. **OPENING OF THE SESSION**
2. **ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION**
3. **IPHC PROCESS**
 - 3.1 Update on the actions arising from the 9th Session of the SRB (SRB09) (D. Wilson)
 - 3.2 Outcomes of the 93rd Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM093) (D. Wilson)
4. **METHODS FOR SPATIAL SURVEY MODELLING** (R. Webster)
 - 4.1 Recap and proposed changes for 2017
 - 4.2 Discussion of evaluation of need for future survey expansions
5. **DISCUSSION OF SPATIAL SURVEY MODELLING** (Chairperson)
6. **PACIFIC HALIBUT STOCK ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT** (I. Stewart)
 - 6.1 Data source development
 - 6.2 Model code update
 - 6.3 TCEY-based management
 - 6.4 Stock distribution estimation by region
7. **SIZE LIMIT ANALYSIS FOR 2017** (I. Stewart)
8. **DISCUSSION OF ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT & SIZE LIMITS** (Chairperson)
9. **UPDATE ON ABUNDANCE BASED MANAGEMENT OF PACIFIC HALIBUT PROTECTED SPECIES (Bycatch) CATCH LIMITS** (A. Hicks)
10. **MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB): UPDATE** (A. Hicks)
 - 10.1 MSAB work plan and timeline for 2017
 - 10.2 Improved Harvest Policy and recommendations from AM093
 - 10.3 Fishing intensity metrics and design of simulations to investigate them
 - 10.4 Presenting MSE results to MSAB members
 - 10.5 Addressing stock & catch distribution in the harvest policy and future simulations

- 11. DISCUSSION OF MSAB TOPICS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2017** (Chairperson)
- 12. BIOLOGICAL AND ECOSYSTEM SCIENCE PROGRAM RESEARCH UPDATES**
(J. Planas)
 - 12.1. Progress on ongoing IPHC-funded research projects
 - 12.2. Update on outcome of external funding applications
- 13. OTHER BUSINESS**
- 14. THE PROCESS FOR 'REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 10th SESSION OF THE IPHC SCIENTIFIC REVIEW BOARD (SRB10)'**



DRAFT: SCHEDULE FOR THE 10th SESSION OF THE IPHC SCIENTIFIC REVIEW BOARD (SRB10)

Wednesday, 14 June 2017		
Time	Agenda item	Lead
09:00-09:15	1. OPENING OF THE SESSION 2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION	Chairperson & Executive Director
09:15-09:30	3. IPHC PROCESS 3.1 Update on the actions arising from the 9 th Session of the SRB (SRB(09)) 3.2 Outcomes of the 93 rd Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM093)	Chairperson & Executive Director
09:30-10:30	4. METHODS FOR SPATIAL SURVEY MODELLING 4.1 Recap and proposed changes for 2017 4.2 Discussion of evaluation of need for future survey expansions	R. Webster
10:30:10:45	Break	
10:45-11:00	5. DISCUSSION OF SPATIAL SURVEY MODELLING	Chairperson
11:00:12:30	6. PACIFIC HALIBUT STOCK ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT 6.1 Data source development 6.2 Model code update 6.3 TCEY-based management 6.4 Stock distribution estimation by region	I. Stewart
12:30-13:30	Lunch	
13:30-15:00	7. SIZE LIMIT ANALYSIS FOR 2017	I. Stewart
15:00-15:15	Break	
15:15-16:00	8. DISCUSSION OF STOCK ASSESSMENT DEVELOPMENT AND SIZE LIMIT ANALYSIS	Chairperson
16:00-16:45	9. UPDATE ON ABUNDANCE BASED MANAGEMENT OF PACIFIC HALIBUT PROTECTED SPECIES (Bycatch) CATCH LIMITS	I. Stewart
16:45-17:00	DISCUSSION of ABM of PSC Limits	Chairperson

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09:00-10:30	10. MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB): UPDATE 10.1 MSAB work plan and timeline for 2017 10.2 Improved Harvest Policy and recommendations from AM093 10.3 Fishing intensity metrics and design of simulations to investigate them	A. Hicks
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-12:00	10. MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB): UPDATE 10.4 Presenting MSE results to MSAB members 10.5 Addressing stock & catch distribution in the harvest policy and future simulations	A. Hicks
12:00-13:00	Lunch	
13:00-13:30	11. DISCUSSION OF MSAB TOPICS AND RECOMMENDATIONS FOR 2017	Chairperson
13:30-15:00	12. BIOLOGICAL AND ECOSYSTEM SCIENCE PROGRAM RESEARCH UPDATES 12.1. Progress on ongoing IPHC-funded research project 12.2. Update on outcome of external funding applications	J. Planas
15:00-15:15	Break	
15:15-17:00	12. BIOLOGICAL AND ECOSYSTEM SCIENCE PROGRAM RESEARCH UPDATES Cont.	J. Planas
Friday, 16 June 2017		
09:00-10:30	13. OTHER BUSINESS 14. THE PROCESS FOR 'REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 10 th SESSION OF THE IPHC SCIENTIFIC REVIEW BOARD (SRB10)'	Chairperson
10:30-10:45	Break	
10:45-12:00	REPORT WRITING AND ANY OTHER BUSINESS	SRB members
12:00-13:00	Lunch	