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6 February 2018

**IPHC CIRCULAR 2018-001**

Dear Commissioners,

**SUBJECT: ANNOUNCEMENT OF THE 11<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB11)**

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 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB11) will be held 7-10 May 2018 at the IPHC offices in Seattle, WA, U.S.A.

The draft agenda 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 (23 March 2018) in accordance with Rule 8.2 of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (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 (7 April 2018), in accordance with Rule 8.4 of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2017).

Yours sincerely,

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Executive Director, IPHC

**Attachments:**

**Attachment I:** Draft: Agenda and Schedule for the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB11) – IPHC-2018-MSAB11-01



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**PROVISIONAL: AGENDA & SCHEDULE FOR THE 11<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC  
MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB011)**

**Date:** 07-10 May 2018

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

**Venue:** IPHC Training Room

**Time:** 7<sup>th</sup>: 12:00-17:00; 8<sup>th</sup>-10<sup>th</sup>: 09:00-17:00 daily

**Co-Chairpersons:** Mr Adam Keizer (Canada) and Ms Rachel Baker (U.S.A.)

**1. OPENING OF THE SESSION**

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION**

**3. IPHC PROCESS**

- 3.1. MSAB membership and co-chairs
- 3.2. Tour the IPHC website, pages related to the MSAB, and Office 365
- 3.3. Reminder of IPHC and MSAB Rules of Procedure
- 3.4. Review of the outcomes of the 11<sup>th</sup> Session of the Scientific Review Board (SRB011)
- 3.5. Update on the actions arising from the 10<sup>th</sup> Session of the MSAB (MSAB010)
- 3.6. Outcomes of the 94<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM094)

**4. GOALS, OBJECTIVES, AND PERFORMANCE METRICS**

- 4.1. A review of the goals and objectives of the IPHC MSE process
- 4.2. Classifying objectives in a hierarchy
- 4.3. Performance metrics for evaluation
  - 4.3.1. Short-term, mid-term, and long-term performance metrics

**5. HARVEST STRATEGY POLICY, PART 1: SIMULATIONS TO EVALUATE FISHING INTENSITY**

- 5.1. Preliminary closed-loop simulation results to investigate SPR with estimation error
- 5.2. A description of the closed-loop simulation framework
- 5.3. A review of variability and scenarios
- 5.4. Management procedures related to fishing intensity
- 5.5. Simulation design for evaluations at MSAB012 of the Scale component of the harvest strategy policy

**6. HARVEST STRATEGY POLICY, PART 2: ADDRESSING STOCK AND TOTAL CONSTANT EXPLOITATION YIELD (TCEY) DISTRIBUTION**

- 6.1. Review framework to investigate distributing the TCEY among IPHC Regulatory Areas and evaluate against objectives
- 6.2. Identify preliminary MPs related to distribution

**7. MSAB PROGRAM OF WORK 2019-23**

**8. OTHER BUSINESS**

8.1. IPhC meetings calendar (2019-23): MSAB

**9. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 11<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IPhC MANAGEMENT STRATEGY ADVISORY BOARD (MSAB011)**