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## ACRONYMS

FCEY	Fishery Constant Exploitation Yield
IPHC	International Pacific Halibut Commission
PAB	Processor Advisory Board
SPR	Spawning Potential Ratio
TCEY	Total Constant Exploitation Yield
PFMC	Pacific Fishery Management Council

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## EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The 26<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Processor Advisory Board (PAB026) was held electronically from 26-28 January 2021. A total of 24 eligible members lodged an accreditation/authorisation form for the meeting, however, only 13 (15 in 2020) were present at the commencement of the Session from the two (2) Contracting Parties. The meeting was opened by Ms. Jessie Keplinger who welcomed participants.

The following are a subset of the complete recommendations and requests for action from the PAB026, which are provided at [Appendix IV](#).

## RECOMMENDATIONS

### *Fishing periods: season opening and closing dates*

PAB026–Req.01 ([para. 16](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following fishing period dates for the 2021:

- a) Opening: Saturday, 03 April at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0]*;
- b) Closing: Monday, 15 November at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0]*;

### *Mortality limits TCEY Recommendations*

PAB026–Req.02 ([para. 20](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following TCEY mortality limits for the 2021 fishing period as provided in Table 1, which translate to the mortality estimates by sector (as provided by the IPHC Secretariat) provided in Appendix III and an SPR of 43% [In favour=08; against=00; abstain=02][*Proxy: In favour=02; against=00; abstain=00*].

### *IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5)*

PAB026–Req.03 ([para. 23](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA1](#), with the addition of the mortality limits for each Contracting Party, by sector, as detailed in [Section 5.3](#). [In favour=8; against=2; abstain=0].

### *IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial fishing periods (Sect. 9)*

PAB026–Req.04 ([para. 25](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA2](#), with the start date of 03 April 2021 and closing date of 15 November 2021. [In favour=6; against=2; abstain=1]; *Proxy [In favour=1; against=1; abstain=0]*;

PAB026–Req.05 ([para. 26](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** to move the start of the IPHC Regulatory Area 2A non-tribal directed commercial fisheries to Tuesday rather than Monday, and ending Thursday rather than Wednesday, in addition to the details of the fishing periods in Section 4 of PropA2, based on the recommendation from PFMC. [In favour=unanimous].

### *IPHC Fishery Regulations: minor amendments*

PAB026–Req.06 ([para. 28](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3](#). [In favour=unanimous]

### *Commercial Fishing Period (Sect. 9)*

PAB026–Req.07 ([para. 32](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission oppose proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropC1 Rev 1](#). The PAB reasoning behind opposing a year round fishery are related to concern around resource, and taking the fish out of the water during

spawning. From a processor point of view there are very small deliveries through the winter months, causing a higher cost to processes. [In favour=unanimous].

***Other business - Future of the MSE/MSAB processes***

PAB026-Req.08 ([para. 34](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the MSE process continue to investigate and provide information to the IPHC including the effects on changes in size limits, management area productivity and harvest rates, and potential impacts of bycatch on the coast-wide resource and fisheries. [In favour=unanimous].

## 1. OPENING OF THE SESSION

1. The 26<sup>th</sup> Session of the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) Processor Advisory Board (PAB026) was held electronically from 26-28 January 2021. A total of 24 eligible members lodged an accreditation/authorisation form for the meeting, however, only 13 (15 in 2020) were present at the commencement of the Session from the two (2) Contracting Parties. The list of participants is provided at [Appendix I](#). The meeting was opened by Ms. Jessie Keplinger who welcomed participants.

### 1.1 Election of Co-Chairpersons

2. In accordance with Appendix IV, Section III of the IPHC Rules of Procedure (2020), the PAB **NOTED** the requirement to elect a Chairperson and a Vice-Chairperson of the PAB for one year, or until a replacement is elected.
3. The PAB **CALLED** for nominations for the position of Chairperson of the PAB for one year, or until a replacement is elected. Mr Carl Nordmann (Canada) was nominated, seconded and elected as Chairperson.
4. PAB **CALLED** for nominations for the position of Vice-Chairperson of the PAB for one year, or until a replacement is elected. Ms Jessie Keplinger (USA) was nominated, seconded and elected as Vice-Chairperson.
5. The PAB **NOTED** the issue identified whereby the Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson may change at the start of the PAB meeting, which could limit the degree of preparedness for a meeting by incoming chairs. No action was taken.

### 1.2 Accreditation/Authorisation

6. The PAB did not accredit/authorize any new members.
7. The PAB **NOTED** the in-session authorisation/accreditation request by K-Bay Fisheries/Wild Legacy Seafoods. The Executive Director of HANA (Peggy Parker) indicated that the request was not valid as the PAB's membership requirements included a minimum standard of being registered by the State of Alaska as being a first buyer of Pacific halibut. The representative indicated that Wild Legacy Seafoods was a first buyer and registered with the State of Alaska accordingly. Ms Parker indicated that K-Bay Fisheries would need to provide a letter of verification, serving as the authorization from the company, that it is a first buyer of Pacific halibut and that it designates Mr Kiril Basargin as its representative to the PAB. Mr Basargin said he would do so.

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

8. The PAB **ADOPTED** the Agenda as provided at [Appendix II](#), with the addition of items on the size limit discussion as well as future process MSE/MSAB under agenda item 7. The documents provided to the PAB026 are those submitted for the 97<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM097). To assist the PAB in navigating its meeting, all documents relevant to the agenda were posted as links on the PAB webpage: <https://www.iphc.int/venues/details/26th-session-of-the-iphc-processor-advisory-board-pab026>.
9. The PAB **NOTED** that it will convene on Thursday (28 January) morning to adopt the report of the PAB026, for presentation to the Commission on Thursday afternoon.
10. The PAB **NOTED** the indication from the Vice-Chair, that due to a contradiction in the PAB's Rules of Procedure, proxy votes would need to be tallied separately for this meeting. The contraction is that only members present can vote, however the proxy rule suggests otherwise. The rules of procedure may need to be revised.

## 3. IPHC SECRETARIAT INFORMATIONAL SESSION

### 3.1 Definition of Mortality Limits and TCEY

11. The PAB **NOTED** the informal presentation by Dr Ian Stewart (IPHC Quantitative Scientist), which included outlining the IPHC definitions of total mortality and TCEY as follows:

- a) **Total mortality:** Consists of all sources and sizes of dead Pacific halibut in two categories - 1) the TCEY and 2) U26 discard mortality in non-directed fisheries;
- b) **Total Constant Exploitation Yield (TCEY):** The current basis for Commission mortality limits. Includes all sources and sizes of mortality, except U26 discards in non-directed fisheries.

### 3.2 *MSE update*

12. The PAB **NOTED** the review of the MSE process and MSAB reports provided by Dr Allan Hicks (IPHC Quantitative Scientist).

### 3.3 *Pacific Halibut Multiregional Economic Impact Assessment (PHMEIA): summary of progress*

13. The PAB **NOTED** the information presentation by Dr Barbara (Basia) Hutniczak (IPHC Fisheries Economist) which included a broad overview of her current work to better understand the economic contribution of Pacific halibut and the connectivity to the supply chain with initial focus on the commercial fishery.

## 4. FISHING PERIODS: SEASON OPENING AND CLOSING DATES

14. The PAB **AGREED** that an opening date of Saturday 03 April 2021 is preferred, because:
- a) Members supported a later start date, given COVID19 travel restrictions and quarantine mandates that would require 40 days in some areas to bring a full workforce to the plant. During the pandemic, safety of employees, fishermen, and communities is of utmost concern to remain open to purchase fish. As it starts there was concern about whether an early date would allow NOAA Fisheries and the new administration in the U.S.A. enough time to issue permits;
  - b) Members who preferred an earlier (ie. mid-March) start date of fishery, noted a need in the market for fresh fish and a larger quota of sablefish available.
15. The PAB **AGREED** that a closing date of 15 November 2021 is a traditional recommendation from the PAB, supported by diminishing number of landings and high cost of processors to stay open, the onset of rough weather coastwide, and the continuing declines in the fresh fish selling environment due in part to the approaching Thanksgiving holiday in U.S.A.

### *Recommendation*

16. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following fishing period dates for the 2021:
- a) Opening: Saturday, 03 April at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0];*
  - b) Closing: Monday, 15 November at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0];*

## 5. MORTALITY LIMITS

17. The PAB **NOTED** the IPHC's web-based mortality projection tool for use in the PAB026 and AM097 (<https://www.iphc.int/data/projection-tool>).

### 5.1 *Coastwide perspectives*

18. The PAB **NOTED** that there were discussions of a range between SPR F46 and F43 as options within which a balance between industry needs and sustainability resource conservation can be found. Dr. Stewart presentation shows a minimal difference for future risk of stock declining by using the F43 reference.

### 5.2 *Regulatory Area perspectives*

19. The PAB **AGREED** not to adjust the IPHC Regulatory Area distribution from the reference SPR F43 shown on slide 55 in presentation [IPHC-2021-AM097-08](#).



### 5.3 TCEY Recommendations

20. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following TCEY mortality limits for the 2021 fishing period as provided in Table 1, which translate to the mortality estimates by sector (as provided by the IPHC Secretariat) provided in Appendix III and an SPR of 43% [In favour=08; against=00; abstain=02][Proxy: In favour=02; against=00; abstain=00].
21. The PAB **NOTED** that the numbers in [Table 1](#) honor the interim agreements for IPHC Regulatory Area 2A and 2B. The PAB accepted the scientific advice given by Dr Stewart in deciding on a harvest intensity of F43.

**Table 1.** Processor Advisory Board (PAB) recommended TCEY mortality limits for 2021. See previous paragraphs for voting.

IPHC Regulatory Area	Mortality limit (TCEY) (mlbs)
2A	1.65
2B	7.00
2C	5.16
3A	14.12
3B	3.12
4A	2.51
4B	1.47
4CDE	3.98
<b>Total (IPHC Convention Area)</b>	<b>39.0</b>

## 6. IPHC FISHERY REGULATIONS: PROPOSALS FOR THE 2020-21 PROCESS

### 6.1 IPHC Secretariat fishery regulation proposals

#### 6.1.1 IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5)

22. The PAB **NOTED** fishery regulation proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA1](#), which provides the mortality and fishery limits framework for population at AM097.
23. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA1](#), with the addition of the mortality limits for each Contracting Party, by sector, as detailed in [Section 5.3](#). [In favour=8; against=2; abstain=0].

#### 6.1.2 IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial fishing periods (Sect. 9)

24. The PAB **NOTED** fishery regulation proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA2](#), which specified fishing periods for the commercial Pacific halibut fisheries. See Section 4 for a summary of discussions and recommendations.
25. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA2](#), with the start date of 03 April 2021 and closing date of 15 November 2021. [In favour=6; against=2; abstain=1]; Proxy [In favour=1; against=1; abstain=0];
26. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** to move the start of the IPHC Regulatory Area 2A non-tribal directed commercial fisheries to Tuesday rather than Monday, and ending Thursday rather than Wednesday, in addition to the details of the fishing periods in Section 4 of PropA2, based on the recommendation from PFMC. [In favour=unanimous].

#### 6.1.3 IPHC Fishery Regulations: minor amendments

27. The PAB **NOTED** fishery regulation proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3](#), which proposed amendments to ensure clarity and consistency in the IPHC Fishery Regulations, with minor modification as identified during AM097.
28. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3](#). [In favour=unanimous]

## 6.2 *Contracting Party fishery regulation proposals*

### 6.2.1 **Charter management measures in IPHC Regulatory Areas 2C and 3A (Sect. 29)**

29. The PAB **NOTED** fishery regulation proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropB1](#), which proposed IPHC Regulation changes for charter recreational Pacific halibut fisheries in IPHC Regulatory Areas 2C and 3A, in order to achieve the charter Pacific halibut allocation under the North Pacific Fisheries Management Council's (NPFMC) Pacific halibut Catch Sharing Plan.
30. The PAB **NOTED** proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropB1](#) and **AGREED** to abstain from making a recommendation. [In favour=unanimous].

## 6.3 *Other Stakeholder fishery regulation proposals*

### 6.3.1 *Commercial Fishing Period (Sect. 9)*

31. The PAB **NOTED** fishery regulation proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropC1 Rev 1](#), which proposed an extension of the directed commercial Pacific halibut season to year round (1 January to 31 December).
32. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission oppose proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropC1 Rev 1](#). The PAB reasoning behind opposing a year round fishery are related to concern around resource, and taking the fish out of the water during spawning. From a processor point of view there are very small deliveries through the winter months, causing a higher cost to processes. [In favour=unanimous].

## 7. OTHER BUSINESS

### 7.1 *Size Limits*

33. The PAB **NOTED** that there is current opposition towards removing the current Pacific halibut size limits due to the economic, marketing concerns, taking recruitment, and may encourage highgrading.

### 7.2 *Future of the MSE/MSAB processes*

34. The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the MSE process continue to investigate and provide information to the IPHC including the effects on changes in size limits, management area productivity and harvest rates, and potential impacts of bycatch on the coast-wide resource and fisheries. [In favour=unanimous].
35. The PAB **EXPRESSED** its appreciation for the assistance provided by the IPHC Secretariat, and for in-session presentations and support by Dr. Ian Stewart, Dr. Allan Hicks, Dr. Barbara (Basia) Hutniczak, Dr. David Wilson, Ms. Kamala Carroll, Mr. Colin Jones, Mr. Edward Henry and all IPHC Secretariat Support.

## 8. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 26<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC PROCESSOR ADVISORY BOARD (PAB026)

36. The report of the 26<sup>th</sup> Session of the IPHC Processor Advisory Board ([IPHC-2021-PAB026-R](#)) was **ADOPTED** on 28 January 2021, including the consolidated set of recommendations and requests arising from PAB026, provided at [Appendix IV](#).

## APPENDIX I

LIST OF PARTICIPANTS FOR THE 26<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC PROCESSOR ADVISORY BOARD  
(PAB026)

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**APPENDIX II****AGENDA FOR THE 26<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC PROCESSOR ADVISORY BOARD (PAB026)****Date:** 26-28 January 2021**Location:** Electronic**Venue:** Adobe Connect**Time:** 26<sup>th</sup>: 13:30-17:00; 27<sup>th</sup>: 09:00-17:00; 28<sup>th</sup>: 09:00-12:00**Chairperson:** Ms Jessie Keplinger (USA) **Vice-Chairperson:** Mr Carl Nordmann (Canada)**1. OPENING OF THE SESSION**

1.1 Election of Chairperson and Vice-Chairperson

1.2 Accreditation of PAB Membership (2021)

**2. ADOPTION OF THE AGENDA AND ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE SESSION (Chairperson)****3. IPHC SECRETARIAT INFORMATIONAL SESSION**

3.1 Mortality Limits and TCEY (I. Stewart)

3.2 MSE Update (A. Hicks)

3.3 Pacific Halibut Multiregional Economic Impact Assessment (PHMEIA): summary of progress (B. Hutniczak)

**4. FISHING PERIODS: SEASON OPENING AND CLOSING DATES****5. MORTALITY LIMITS (Chairperson)**

5.1 Coastwide perspectives

5.2 Regulatory Area perspectives

5.3 TCEY Recommendations

**6. IPHC FISHERY REGULATION PROPOSALS FOR 2021**

6.1 IPHC Secretariat fishery regulation proposals (L. Erikson)

6.2 Contracting Party fishery regulation proposals (Contracting Parties)

6.3 Other Stakeholder fishery regulation proposals (Stakeholders)

**7. OTHER BUSINESS (Chairperson)**

7.1 Size limits

7.2 Future of the MSE/MSAB processes

**8. REVIEW OF THE DRAFT AND ADOPTION OF THE REPORT OF THE 26<sup>th</sup> SESSION OF THE IPHC PROCESSOR ADVISORY BOARD (PAB026) (Chairperson, IPHC Secretariat)**

**APPENDIX III****PACIFIC HALIBUT MORTALITY PROJECTED FOR 2021 BASED ON THE PAB RECOMMENDED TCEY CATCH LIMITS**

**Note:** All values reported in millions of net pounds. Provided by the IPHC Secretariat based on the PAB 2021 TCEY recommendations.

	<b>2A</b>	<b>2B</b>	<b>2C</b>	<b>3A</b>	<b>3B</b>	<b>4A</b>	<b>4B</b>	<b>4CDE</b>	<b>Total</b>
Commercial discard mortality	0.03	0.13	NA	NA	0.16	0.10	0.04	0.07	0.54
O26 Bycatch	0.12	0.22	0.09	1.37	0.42	0.20	0.15	2.40	4.97
Non-CSP Recreational (+ discards)	NA	0.05	1.15	1.66	0.0	0.01	0.0	0.0	2.88
Subsistence	NA	0.41	0.37	0.19	0.02	0.01	0.00	0.04	1.03
<b>Total Non-FCEY</b>	<b>0.15</b>	<b>0.77</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>3.22</b>	<b>0.6</b>	<b>0.33</b>	<b>0.19</b>	<b>2.51</b>	<b>9.41</b>
Commercial discard mortality	NA	NA	0.07	0.29	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.36
CSP Recreational (+ discards)	0.60	0.87	0.77	1.68	NA	NA	NA	NA	3.92
Subsistence	0.03	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA	0.03
Commercial Landings	0.86	5.05	3.37	6.92	2.52	1.61	1.18	1.66	23.17
<b>Total FCEY</b>	<b>1.5</b>	<b>5.92</b>	<b>4.21</b>	<b>8.89</b>	<b>2.52</b>	<b>1.61</b>	<b>1.18</b>	<b>1.66</b>	<b>27.48</b>
<b>TCEY</b>	<b>1.65</b>	<b>6.74</b>	<b>5.82</b>	<b>12.11</b>	<b>3.12</b>	<b>1.94</b>	<b>1.37</b>	<b>4.17</b>	<b>36.9</b>
U26 Bycatch	0.0	0.02	0.0	0.27	0.06	0.15	0.01	1.09	1.61
<b>Total Mortality</b>	<b>1.65</b>	<b>6.74</b>	<b>5.82</b>	<b>12.38</b>	<b>3.18</b>	<b>2.09</b>	<b>1.38</b>	<b>5.26</b>	<b>38.51</b>

## APPENDIX IV

**CONSOLIDATED SET OF RECOMMENDATIONS AND REQUESTS OF THE 26<sup>TH</sup> SESSION OF THE  
IPHC PROCESSOR ADVISORY BOARD (PAB026) (26-28 JANUARY 2021)**

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

***Fishing periods: season opening and closing dates***

- PAB026–Req.01 ([para. 16](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following fishing period dates for the 2021:
- a) Opening: Saturday, 03 April at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy* [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0];
  - b) Closing: Monday, 15 November at noon local time [in favour=06; against=02; abstain=01]; *Proxy* [in favour=01; against=01; abstain=0];

***Mortality limits TCEY Recommendations***

- PAB026–Req.02 ([para. 20](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** the following TCEY mortality limits for the 2021 fishing period as provided in Table 1, which translate to the mortality estimates by sector (as provided by the IPHC Secretariat) provided in Appendix III and an SPR of 43% [In favour=08; against=00; abstain=02][*Proxy: In favour=02; against=00; abstain=00*].

***IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5)***

- PAB026–Req.03 ([para. 23](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA1](#), with the addition of the mortality limits for each Contracting Party, by sector, as detailed in [Section 5.3](#). [In favour=8; against=2; abstain=0].

***IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial fishing periods (Sect. 9)***

- PAB026–Req.04 ([para. 25](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA2](#), with the start date of 03 April 2021 and closing date of 15 November 2021. [In favour=6; against=2; abstain=1]; *Proxy* [In favour=1; against=1; abstain=0];
- PAB026–Req.05 ([para. 26](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** to move the start of the IPHC Regulatory Area 2A non-tribal directed commercial fisheries to Tuesday rather than Monday, and ending Thursday rather than Wednesday, in addition to the details of the fishing periods in Section 4 of PropA2, based on the recommendation from PFMC. [In favour=unanimous].

***IPHC Fishery Regulations: minor amendments***

- PAB026–Req.06 ([para. 28](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission adopt proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropA3](#). [In favour=unanimous]

***Commercial Fishing Period (Sect. 9)***

- PAB026–Req.07 ([para. 32](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the Commission oppose proposal [IPHC-2021-AM097-PropC1 Rev 1](#). The PAB reasoning behind opposing a year round fishery are related to concern around resource, and taking the fish out of the water during spawning. From a processor point of view there are very small deliveries through the winter months, causing a higher cost to processes. [In favour=unanimous].

***Other business - Future of the MSE/MSAB processes***

- PAB026–Req.08 ([para. 34](#)) The PAB **RECOMMENDED** that the MSE process continue to investigate and provide information to the IPHC including the effects on changes in size limits, management area productivity and harvest rates, and potential impacts of bycatch on the coast-wide resource and fisheries. [In favour=unanimous].

**REQUESTS**

Nil