IPHC-2022-AM098-15

IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24)

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PURPOSE

To provide the Commission with an opportunity to consider the tentative IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24) (Appendix I).

BACKGROUND

Commission: The Commission's annual cycle of meetings is built around the management needs of the Pacific halibut fishery. The IPHC Interim Meeting (IM) follows the completion of the commercial fishing period, and is timed to allow the IPHC Secretariat to incorporate data from that fishing period into the stock assessment and harvest decision support for the coming season. The IPHC Annual Meeting (AM) is scheduled to allow harvest and regulation decisions to be made by the Commission and implemented by the Contracting Parties in time for the opening of the next commercial fishing period.

Subsidiary bodies: The Finance and Administration Committee (FAC), Conference Board (CB) and Processor Advisory Board (PAB) meet adjacent to or during the course of the Annual Meeting. The Scientific Review Board (SRB) and Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB) have historically each met twice during the course of the year, in a sequence that supports both their mutual collaboration and the timing of their advice for the Commission. The Research Advisory Board (RAB) meets in November, immediately prior to the Interim Meeting (IM), when its members are best able to convene and consider the IPHC's research activities.

DISCUSSION

Meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies are of interest to the Pacific halibut stakeholder community and the general public, and the publication of their schedule as far in advance as possible enhances meeting preparation and collaboration among stakeholders and Contracting Party agencies.

At this time, due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic, all dates and venues for IPHC meetings are tentative. The 98th Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM098) in 2022 has been slated for Bellevue, WA, USA.

The 99th Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM099) has been booked for Victoria, Canada, due to the original contract for 2021 having been deferred due to COVID-19.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Commission:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2022-AM098-15, which provides the Commission with an opportunity to consider the IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24).
- 2) **APPROVE** the IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24), while also noting the uncertain operating environment may result in date and venue changes.

APPENDICES

Appendix I: IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24)





INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC

IPHC 3-year meetings calendar (2022-24)

	2022			2023			2024		
Meeting	No.	Dates	Location	No.	Dates	Location	No.	Proposed Dates	Location
Annual Meeting (AM)	98 th	24-28 Jan	Bellevue, WA, USA / Electronic	99 th	23-27 Jan	Victoria, Canada	100 th	22-26 Jan	TBD, USA
Finance and Administration Committee (FAC)	98 th	24 Jan	Bellevue, WA, USA / Electronic	99 th	23 Jan	Victoria, Canada	100 th	22 Jan	TBD, USA
Conference Board (CB)	92 nd	25-26 Jan	Bellevue, WA, USA / Electronic	93 rd	24-25 Jan	Victoria, Canada	94 th	23-24 Jan	TBD, USA
Processor Advisory Board (PAB)	27 th	25-26 Jan	Bellevue, WA, USA / Electronic	28 th	24-25 Jan	Victoria, Canada	29 th	23-24 Jan	TBD, USA
Scientific Review Board (SRB)	20 th	21-23 June	Seattle, USA	22 nd	TBD June	Seattle, USA	24 th	TBD June	Seattle, USA
	21 st	20-22 Sept	Seattle, USA	23 rd	TBD Sept	Seattle, USA	25 th	TBD Sept	Seattle, USA
Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB)	17 th	TBD Oct	TBD, WA, USA	18 th	TBD Oct	TBD, WA, USA	19 th	TBD Oct	TBD, WA, USA
Work Meeting (WM)		14-15 Sept	Bellingham, USA		13-14 Sept	Bellingham, USA		11-12 Sept	Bellingham, USA
Research Advisory Board (RAB)	23 rd	29 Nov	Seattle, USA	24 th	28 Nov	Seattle, USA	25 th	26 Nov	Seattle, USA
Interim Meeting (IM)	98 th	30 Nov – 1 Dec	Seattle, USA	99 th	29-30 Nov	Seattle, USA	100 th	27-28 Nov	Seattle, USA