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## IPHC meetings calendar (2018-20)

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### PURPOSE

To provide the Commission with an opportunity to consider the draft IPHC meetings calendar (2018-20) ([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 season, and is timed to allow the IPHC staff to incorporate data from that season into the stock assessment and harvest advice 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 season.

**Subsidiary bodies:** The Conference Board (CB) and Processor Advisory Board (PAB) meet during the course of the AM. The Scientific Review Board (SRB) and Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB) each meet at least 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) will meet next in February 2018, when its members are best able to convene and consider the IPHC's scientific program. This is a change from previous years, when it generally met in November.

**Committees:** The Finance and Administration Committee (FAC) meets as necessary on the margins of the AM. The Scholarship Committee (SC) meets every other year to select a scholarship recipient, with the next meeting to take place in August 2018.

### DISCUSSION

Meetings of the Commission and its subsidiary bodies and committees are of interest to the community and the public, and the publication of their schedule as far in advance as possible promotes meeting preparation and collaboration among stakeholders and partner agencies.

In addition, the dates and location for the 96<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting (AM096) in 2020 must be selected in early 2018 in order to plan for the meeting and contract for the necessary meeting facilities.

The draft calendar provided in [Appendix I](#) will be revised as directed by the Commission at IM093 and presented for consideration and approval at AM094.

**RECOMMENDATIONS**

That the Commission:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2017-IM093-22, which provides the Commission with an opportunity to consider the annual IPHC meetings calendar (2018-20).
- 2) **DIRECT** the Secretariat staff regarding any changes to the draft calendar, with a view toward approving it at the 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Meeting in January 2018.

**APPENDICES**

[Appendix I](#): DRAFT: IPHC meetings calendar (2018-20)



**APPENDIX I**

**DRAFT: IPHC meetings calendar (2018-20)**

Meeting	2018			2019			2020		
	No.	Date	Location	No.	Date	Location	No.	Date	Location
Annual Meeting (AM)	94 <sup>th</sup>	22-26 Jan	Portland, USA	95 <sup>th</sup>	28 Jan-1 Feb	Victoria, Canada	96 <sup>th</sup>	<b>Proposed: 27-31 Jan</b>	TBD, USA
Conference Board (CB)	88 <sup>th</sup>	23-24 Jan, during AM094	Portland, USA	89 <sup>th</sup>	during AM095	TBD, Canada	90 <sup>th</sup>	during AM096	TBD, USA
Processor Advisory Board (PAB)	23 <sup>rd</sup>	23-24 Jan, during AM094	Portland, USA	24 <sup>th</sup>	during AM095	TBD, Canada	25 <sup>th</sup>	during AM096	TBD, USA
Finance and Administration Committee (FAC)	94 <sup>th</sup>	22-25 Jan, during AM094	Portland, USA	95 <sup>th</sup>	during AM095	TBD, Canada	96 <sup>th</sup>	during AM096	TBD, USA
Scientific Review Board (SRB)	12 <sup>th</sup>	19-21 June	Seattle, USA	14 <sup>th</sup>	18-20 June	Seattle, USA	15 <sup>th</sup>	TBD June	Seattle, USA
	13 <sup>th</sup>	25-27 Sept	Seattle, USA	15 <sup>th</sup>	24-26 Sept	Seattle, USA	16 <sup>th</sup>	TBD Sept	Seattle, USA
Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB)	11 <sup>th</sup>	7-10 May	Seattle, USA	13 <sup>th</sup>	6-9 May	Seattle, USA	14 <sup>th</sup>	TBD May	Seattle, USA
	12 <sup>th</sup>	22-25 Oct	Seattle, USA	14 <sup>th</sup>	21-24 Oct	Seattle, USA	15 <sup>th</sup>	TBD May	Seattle, USA
Scholarship Committee (SC)	--	TBD late Aug	Seattle, USA	(no meeting in 2019)			--	TBD late Aug	Seattle, USA
Work Meeting (WM)	--	19-20 Sept	Bellingham, USA	--	18-19 Sept	Bellingham, USA	--	Proposed: 16-17 Sept	Bellingham, USA
Research Advisory Board (RAB)	20 <sup>th</sup>	28 Feb	Seattle, USA	21 <sup>st</sup>	TBD late Feb	Seattle, USA	22 <sup>nd</sup>	TBD late Feb	Seattle, USA
Interim Meeting (IM)	94 <sup>th</sup>	27-28 Nov	Seattle, USA	95 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TBD late Nov / early Dec</b>	Seattle, USA	96 <sup>th</sup>	<b>TBD late Nov / early Dec</b>	Seattle, USA