



2nd IPHC Performance Review (PRIPHC02): Update

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PURPOSE

To provide the Commission with an update on progress regarding the 2nd Performance Review of the IPHC (PRIPHC02) and an opportunity to direct the IPHC Secretariat regarding its completion.

BACKGROUND

At the 93rd Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM093) in January 2017, the Commission noted paper [IPHC-2017-AM093-18](#), which outlined planning for the 2nd IPHC Performance Review, and provided the following direction to the IPHC Secretariat:

[AM093](#)–Rec.13 (para. 153) *The Commission **RECOMMENDED** that the IPHC Secretariat finalise the draft performance review terms of reference and criteria to conduct the review, and implement the 2nd Performance Review throughout 2017, for presentation to the Commission at its 94th Annual Meeting in 2018.*

At the 94th Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM094) in January 2018, the Commission adopted Terms of Reference, criteria, process and budget to conduct the 2nd Performance Review of the IPHC:

[Terms of Reference, criteria, process, and budget to conduct the 2nd Performance review of the IPHC](#) (Adopted 26 January 2018)

Also at the AM094, the Commission agreed to defer the 2nd IPHC Performance Review until FY2019 (1 Oct. 2018 to 30 Sept. 2019), due to budget limitations in the current financial year (para. 94 of [IPHC-2018-AM094-R](#)).

The “*Terms of Reference and Criteria to Conduct the 2nd Performance Review of the IPHC*,” includes six specific criteria for the review. Criteria 1, “*Legal analysis of the Convention to ensure its adequacy relative to current global best practice principles of fisheries management*,” is the foundation element, upon which the rest of the review will rest.

DISCUSSION

It is proposed to hold two (2) Panel meetings in 2019, one in April and a second in September.

1st Meeting PRIPHC02: USA – Seattle or Alaska

Option 1: 25-26 April 2019

Option 2: 30 April – 1 May 2019

2nd Meeting PRIPHC02: Canada - Victoria, Vancouver or Ottawa

Option 1: 4-5 September 2018

Option 2: 11-12 September 2018

Composition of the Review Panel:

Chairperson: An independent Chairperson with legal fisheries background and a good understanding of Regional Fisheries Management Organisations (RFMO). The Chairperson should not be directly affiliated with any IPHC Contracting Party.

Contracting Parties: 1 representative of each IPHC Contracting Party.

Science Advisor: A science expert not affiliated with the IPHC Contracting Parties, and with expertise on groundfish and the ecosystems affected by Pacific halibut fisheries.

RFMOs: At least two members from other Regional Fisheries Management Organisations: e.g. Inter-American Tropical Tuna Commission (IATTC), North Pacific Fisheries Commission (NPFCC), North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC).

NGOs: Two Non-Governmental Organisations: e.g. PEW Charitable Trust, Birdlife International (BLI).

IPHC Secretariat: The IPHC Secretariat will not be a part of the Review Panel but it will act as a facilitator of its activities, providing access to information and facilities that the Review Panel will require to conduct its work.

Report of the PRIPHC02:

The IPHC Secretariat will undertake and complete the 2nd Performance Review in 2019, with the intention of presenting the final report and associate recommendations at the 95th Interim Meeting in November 2019, and for final adoption at the AM096 in January 2020.

RECOMMENDATIONS

That the Commission:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2018-IM094-14 which outlines progress on the 2nd IPHC Performance Review (PRIPHC02).

APPENDICES

Nil.