

# 2017 Regulatory Proposals

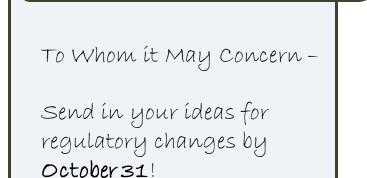
Agenda Item 9
IPHC-2016-IM092-13a-d

29-30 November 2016

2016 IPHC Interim Meeting

#### Regulatory Proposals \*

- Each Fall –
   IPHC solicits regulatory proposals from IPHC staff, agencies, and stakeholders
- Interim Meeting Commissioners review
- Annual Meeting –
   Commissioners review and decide which to approve





\* Not to be confused with **Catch Limit Proposals** which are accepted between the Interim Meeting and 31 Dec each year.



### **Regulatory Proposals**





#### **IPHC Staff Proposals**

- Head-on landed weight requirement
  - Commercial
  - Coastwide (Area 2A already requires head-on)
  - Remove 24" head-off minimum size limit

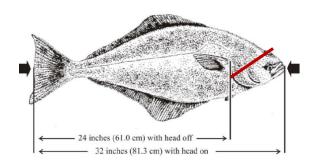


Figure 2. Minimum commercial size.

#### Remove IPHC Closed Area

- Commercial

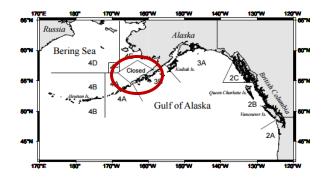


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# **Agency Proposals**

- Fishing in multiple regulatory areas (NMFS)
  - Commercial
  - Alaska
  - Harmonize regulations
     Revise IPHC regulations
     (Section 18) to refer to
     NMFS regulations
     (50 CFR 679.7(f)(4))

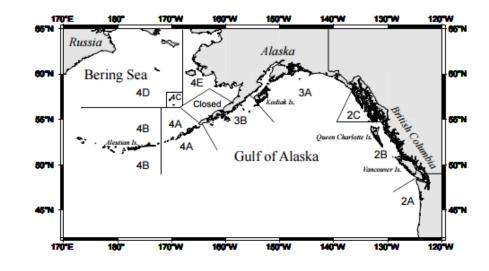


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# **Stakeholder Proposals**

Number	Organization	Sector/Area	Proposal
1	James Whitethorn, West Bros. Group	All	Upgrade the US-Canada Treaty
2	James Whitethorn, West Bros. Group	All	Drop the Blue Line
3	James Whitethorn, West Bros. Group	All	Drop the IPHC setline survey
4	James Whitethorn, West Bros. Group	All, Area 4	Closure of the Nursery Area
5	Paul Ewing, Eagle Charters	Sport (Charter, Private) AK	Non-resident, self-guided sport same regulations as charter fishery, other than need for a CHP
6	James S. Kearns, Self	Sport (Charter, Private) AK	Unguided sport same standards as CSP sectors



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Number	Organization	Sector/Area	Proposal
7	James Lee Shirk, Recreational Fisherman	Sport (Charter, Private) AK	Elimination of law requiring skin to be left on halibut
8	Capt. Steven Riehemann, Boat Owner	Sport (Charter, Private) AK	Allow filleted halibut in sport fishery
9	Mel Erickson, Self	Sport (Charter), 3A	Charter Boat Trip Limits 3A – trips/season
10	Mel Erickson, Self	Sport (Charter), 3A	Charter Boat Trip Limits 3A – trips/week
11	Mel Erickson, Self	Sport (Charter), 3A	Guided Anglers 3A Daily
12	Phil Wyman, ALFA	Commercial	Clarify pot gear requirements
13	Peter Thompson, Self	Commercial	Size Limit Clarification

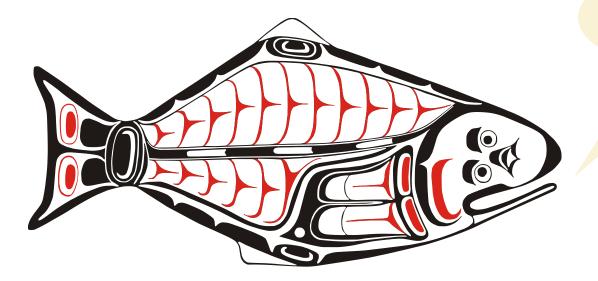


#### **RECOMMENDATION/S**

#### That the Commission:

- 1) NOTE paper IPHC-2016-IM092-13a which provided the Commission with an opportunity to consider and comment upon the draft Regulatory proposals received from the IPHC Staff, Agencies, and stakeholders, detailed in papers IPHC-2016-IM092-13b through 13d;
- 2) REQUEST clarification as needed from regulatory proposal authors, to be submitted to the IPHC Secretariat no later than 31 December 2016; and
- **3) AGREE** which of the regulatory proposals shall be forwarded for consideration and potential decision at the 93rd Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (23-27 January 2017).





#### **Questions?**

