



IPHC meetings calendar (2017-19)

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PURPOSE

To provide the Commission with an opportunity to consider the annual IPHC meetings calendar (2017-19) ([Appendix A](#)).

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.

Advisory bodies: The Conference Board (CB) and Processor Advisory Group (PAG) 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) meets late in the year, when its members are best able to convene and consider the IPHC's scientific program.

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 advisory 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 95th AM in 2019 must be selected in early 2017 in order to plan for the meeting and contract for the necessary meeting facilities.

RECOMMENDATION/S

That the Commission:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2017-AM093-20 which provided the Commission with an opportunity to consider the annual IPHC meetings calendar (2017-19).

- 2) **SELECT** the dates and location for the 95th Annual Meeting in 2019.
- 3) **ADOPT** an IPHC meetings calendar for the period 2017-19 for broader communication via the IPHC website and implementation by the IPHC Secretariat.

APPENDICES

[Appendix A](#): DRAFT: IPHC meetings calendar (2017-19)



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Meeting	2017			2018			2019		
	No.	Date	Location	No.	Date	Location	No.	Date	Location
Annual Meeting (AM)	93 rd	23-27 Jan	Victoria, Canada	94 th	22-26 Jan	Portland, USA	95 th	proposed: 28 Jan-1 Feb	TBD, Canada
Conference Board (CB)	87 th	24-25 Jan, during AM	Victoria, Canada	88 th	23-24 Jan, during AM	Portland, USA	89 th	during AM	TBD, Canada
Processor Advisory Group (PAG)	22 nd	24-25 Jan, during AM	Victoria, Canada	23 rd	23-24 Jan, during AM	Portland, USA	24 th	during AM	TBD, Canada
Finance and Administration Committee (FAC)	--	23-26 Jan, during AM	Victoria, Canada	--	22-25 Jan, during AM	Portland, USA	--	during AM	TBD, Canada
Scientific Review Board (SRB)	10 th	20-21 June	Seattle, USA	12 th	19-20 June	Seattle, USA	14 th	18-19 June	Seattle, USA
	11 th	26-28 Sept	Seattle, USA	13 th	25-27 Sept	Seattle, USA	15 th	24-26 Sept	Seattle, USA
Management Strategy Advisory Board (MSAB)	9 th	10-11 May	Seattle, USA	11 th	9-10 May	Seattle, USA	13 th	8-9 May	Seattle, USA
	10 th	25-26 Oct	Seattle, USA	12 th	24-25 Oct	Seattle, USA	14 th	23-24 Oct	Seattle, USA
Scholarship Committee (SC)	(no meeting in 2017)			--	Late Aug	Seattle, USA	(no meeting in 2018)		
Work Meeting (WM)	--	20-21 Sept	Bellingham, USA	--	19-20 Sept	Bellingham, USA	--	18-19 Sept	Bellingham, USA
Research Advisory Board (RAB)	19 th	15 Nov	Seattle, USA	20 th	14 Nov	Seattle, USA	21 st	13 Nov	Seattle, USA
Interim Meeting (IM)	93 rd	28-29 Nov	Seattle, USA	94 th	27-28 Nov	Seattle, USA	95 th	TBD late Nov / early Dec	Seattle, USA