



IPHC Fishery Regulations: Proposals for the 2024-25 process

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PURPOSE

To provide the Commission with an overview of the IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals that the IPHC Secretariat, Contracting Parties, and other stakeholders have submitted for consideration by the Commission at the 101st Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM101).

BACKGROUND

Recalling the IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals submission and review process instituted in 2017, this paper is intended to provide an indication of the fishery regulations proposals being submitted to the Commission in the 2024-25 process.

The Commission had an opportunity for a preliminary review of the majority of the proposals during the 100th Session of the IPHC Interim Meeting (IM100). The deadline for submission of regulatory proposals for consideration by the Commission at the 101st Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM101) is 28 December 2024.

DISCUSSION

A list of titles, subjects, and sponsors for IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals submitted as part of the 2024-25 process is provided in [Appendix I](#).

RECOMMENDATION

That the Commission:

- 1) **NOTE** paper IPHC-2025-AM101-16 Rev_1 that provides the Commission with an overview of the IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals that the IPHC Secretariat, Contracting Parties, and other stakeholders have submitted for consideration by the Commission at the 101st Session of the IPHC Annual Meeting (AM101).

APPENDICES

[Appendix I](#): Titles, subjects, and sponsors for IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals submitted for consideration in the 2024-25 process.

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Titles, subjects, and sponsors for IPHC Fishery Regulations proposals submitted for consideration in the 2024-25 process.

Ref. No.	Title	Brief description
<u>IPHC Secretariat</u>		
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropA1	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5)	To provide clear documentation of mortality and fishery limits within the IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5). <i>Mortality and fishery limits tables will be filled when the Commission adopts TCEYs for the individual IPHC Regulatory Areas.</i>
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropA2	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial Fishing Periods (Sect. 9)	To specify fishing periods for the directed commercial Pacific halibut fisheries within the IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial Fishing Periods (Sect. 9).
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropA3	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Minor amendments	To improve consistency in the IPHC Fishery Regulations.
<u>Contracting Parties</u>		
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropB1	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Recreational (Sport) Fishing for Pacific Halibut - IPHC Regulatory Areas 2C, 3A, 3B, 4A, 4B, 4C, 4D, 4E (Sect. 28): Charter Management Measures in IPHC Regulatory Areas 2C and 3A	<u>Proponent: USA (NOAA Fisheries)</u> To propose charter management measures in IPHC Regulatory Areas 2C and 3A reflective of mortality limits adopted by the IPHC and resulting allocations under the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (NPFMC) Pacific halibut Catch Sharing Plan.

<u>Stakeholders</u>		
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropC1	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Commercial Fishing Periods (Sect. 9) – year-round commercial Pacific halibut fishery in IPHC Regulatory Area 2B	<u>Proponent:</u> Robert Hauknes (commercial fisher) Originally published: 26 September 2024 To propose year-round commercial Pacific halibut fishery in IPHC Regulatory Area 2B.
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropC2	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Application of Commercial Fishery Limits (Sect. 12) – addressing concerns regarding localized depletion around St. Matthew Island	<u>Proponent:</u> Shawn McManus (commercial fisher) To propose closing the one-way door for halibut IFQ/CDQ holders from halibut Area 4C into Area 4D North of 60 degrees North latitude and East of 174 degrees West longitude.
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropC3	IPHC Fishery Regulations: Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5) - TCEY in Regulatory Area 2A	<u>Proponent:</u> Timothy Greene (Makah Tribe) To propose a TCEY for IPHC Regulatory Area 2A of 1.65Mlb for 2025.
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropC4	<i>Other proposal (Non-IPHC Fishery Regulations):</i> Rebuilding Plan for Pacific halibut	<u>Proponent:</u> Buck Laukitis (commercial fisher) To propose a Rebuilding Plan for Pacific halibut.
IPHC-2025-AM101-PropC5	Mortality and Fishery Limits (Sect. 5) – definition of reaction to overfishing	<u>Proponent:</u> Malcolm Milne (North Pacific Fisheries Association) To propose a reaction to the Pacific halibut stock overfishing.