



Commissioner Paul J. Ryall Biography

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Paul J. Ryall was appointed Commissioner to the International Pacific Halibut Commission by the Governor in Council on November 2, 2012.

Mr. Ryall joined Fisheries and Oceans Canada in 1989 and has served in a number of positions in the Science and Fisheries Management Branches including as Area Chief of Resource Management for the Fraser River (1999-2003) and Fisheries Management Salmon Team Leader (2004–2010).

He is currently the Director of Resource Management for Fisheries and Oceans Canada in the Pacific Region. In this role, he is responsible for resource management activities including the development and implementation of strategic plans that regulate access to the marine resource. Mr. Ryall has significant experience with fishery management advisory

processes that include representatives from aboriginal organizations and commercial, recreational, the province of BC and non-governmental organizations.

Mr. Ryall has served in a number of international positions including as Chair of the Fraser River Panel of the Pacific Salmon Commission which provides recommendations for development of fishery plans and management of Fraser River sockeye and pink salmon fisheries, and as Head of Canada's delegation to the Canada-United States Hake Treaty which was established to develop and implement programs and procedures for managing Pacific hake.

Mr. Ryall earned a Bachelor of Science in Biology and a Master of Resource Management from Simon Fraser University.