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ALASKA BOARD OF FISHERIES

HATCHERY COMMITTEE MEETING

Wednesday, March 23, 2022, 8:30 a.m.
Egan Civic and Convention Center, Anchorage

TENTATIVE AGENDA

(revised March 18, 2022)

NOTE: This tentative agenda is subject to change throughout the course of the meeting.

This Tentative Agenda is provided to give a general idea to the public of the board's anticipated schedule. The board will attempt to hold to this schedule; however, the board is not constrained by this Tentative Agenda. Note: As per the *Joint Protocol Salmon Enhancement* document, "...These salmon enhancement meetings will not be open for regulatory actions and no hatchery-related petitions or agenda change requests (ACRs) will be considered as action items".

OPENING BUSINESS

Call to Order; Introductions of Board Members and Staff.

Review the Joint Protocol on Salmon Enhancement, Finding/Policy (#2002-FB-215).

STAFF REPORTS

1. Current staff reports relating to "management, production, and research relating to Alaska's salmon enhancement program", to include production trends, management issues, updates on Alaska hatchery research project, wild and hatchery stock interactions, straying issues, cost recovery, funding and corporate structure, and biological considerations. Indicate how the Department implements the SSFP precautionary approach and the wild fish priority.

List of staff reports:



- Alaska Salmon Fisheries Enhancement Report
 - Division of Sport Fish Hatcheries Overview
 - An Introduction to the Salmon Ocean Ecology Program and Overview of Scientific Understanding of Salmon Competition at Sea
 - Overview: Statewide Fish/Shellfish Health Program in Alaska
 - Alaska Hatchery Research Program: Introduction
 - Alaska Hatchery Research Program: Study Question 1: Population Structure
 - Alaska Hatchery Research Program: Study Question 2: Hatchery Proportions in Streams
 - Alaska Hatchery Research Program: Study Question 3: Relative Reproductive Success Update
 - Alaska Hatchery Research Program: Study Question 3: Mechanisms Driving RRS
2. Department of Law briefing on BOF extent of authority and ADF&G's extent of authority related to hatcheries.

Afternoon

OPEN FORUM DISCUSSION

Open forum discussion, moderated by a BOF Member, to be held similar to a Committee of the Whole process, wherein members of the public in attendance are called upon for the BOF to hear a range of opinions. No public sign-up required. Open Forum Subjects are limited to the topics indicated below.

- Is hatchery research in Alaska adequately independent? How could it be more so?
- Is hatchery research needed to specifically address the impact of hatchery fish has on other salmon and species in the marine waters?
- 5 AAC 40.340 offers the responsibility of regional planning teams. Chiefly, that is to “rehabilitate natural stocks and supplement natural production”. At what point do we conclude that those goals have been met or exceeded?
- Is the Hatchery Committee an effective and useful forum?

Schedule next Hatchery Committee meeting

Adjourn