

Marine Mammal Protection Act and salmon bycatch under council scrutiny

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council will meet Jan. 18-21 at the Anchorage Hilton Hotel.

Four advisory panels and committees are scheduled for Sunday morning, Jan. 17.

Scallop management, new individual quota plans for black cod and halibut, proposals to reform the Magnuson Act are among the topics.

Amendments to the Marine Mammal Protection Act will also be on the agenda.

The Bering Straits Aleutian Islands salmon bycatch analysis will also be reviewed. Recommendations on subdividing the Aleutian region is slated for its first comments.

Persons wishing to testify or submit written comments and materials can call the Council at 907-271-2809 for guidelines and information.

The Council helps regulate commercial fishing off Alaska's coast.