



**YUKON RIVER PANEL  
and  
RESTORATION AND ENHANCEMENT FUND COMMITTEE MEETINGS**

**April 8 to 11, 2024**

**NOTE: This tentative agenda is subject to change throughout the course of the meeting.** This Agenda is provided to give a general idea to the public of the Panel's anticipated schedule. The Panel will attempt to hold to this schedule; however, the Panel is not constrained by this Agenda. Opportunities to testify will be announced at the beginning of the meeting. The Panel meeting is open to the public. **The Restoration and Enhancement Fund Committee Meeting, U.S. and Canada Section Meetings and preparatory Closed Bilateral sessions scheduled for April 1, 2 and 3 are closed to the public.**

**YUKON RIVER PANEL 2024 PRE-SEASON MEETING**

**Saturday April 6 to Sunday, April 7 (Closed Sessions)**

**Canadian and U.S. Section Meetings**

**Monday, April 8 to Tuesday, April 9 (Closed Bilateral Session)**

**Bilateral Panel Preparatory Session**

**U.S. / CANADA YUKON RIVER PANEL MEETING**

**PUBLIC SESSION – DAY 1**

**Anchorage Marriott Hotel, Kenai/Denali Room**

**Wednesday, April 10**

**9:00 a.m. to 10:15 a.m.**

1. Opening Prayer
2. Welcoming Remarks and Introductions – *Hosts and Yukon River Panel Chairs*
3. Review of Public Session Agenda – *Panel Chairs*
4. Report on Action Items from January 2024 Yukon River Panel Meeting – *Panel Chairs*
5. Joint Technical Committee Report to Panel – *JTC Chairs*

**MORNING BREAK 10:15 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**

**Wednesday, April 10 (cont.)**

**10:30 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

**2024 Yukon River Salmon Outlooks and Fishery Management Strategies: Chinook Salmon**

6. Information on Alaska/Canada 7 Year Chinook Salmon Agreement – *Panel Chairs*
  - a. Summary of Chinook Salmon Agreement
  - b. Update on Yukon River Panel Rebuilding Plan Discussions
7. 2024 Preliminary Chinook Salmon Outlook and Management Strategies
  - a. Bilateral Chinook Salmon Forecast– *Fred West, ADF&G and Adam O’Dell, DFO*
  - b. U.S. Management Strategy – *Deena Jallen, ADF&G*
  - c. Canadian Management Strategy – *Jaclyn Kendal, DFO*
  - d. Yukon River Panel Management Recommendations for 2024 Season – *Panel Chairs*

**LUNCH BREAK 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.**

**1:30 p.m. to 2:30 p.m.**

**2024 Yukon River Salmon Outlooks and Fishery Management Strategies: (Fall) Chum Salmon**

8. 2024 Preliminary Mainstem Chum Salmon Outlook and Management Strategies
  - a. Bilateral Mainstem Chum Salmon Forecast – *Bonnie Borba, ADF&G and Adam O’Dell, DFO*
  - b. U.S. Management Strategy – *Christy Gleason, ADF&G*
  - c. Canadian Management Strategy – *Jaclyn Kendal, DFO*
  - d. Yukon River Panel Management Recommendations for 2024 Season – *Panel Chairs*

**AFTERNOON BREAK 2:30 p.m. to 2:45 p.m.**

**2:45 p.m. to 4:30 p.m.**

9. 2024 Preliminary Porcupine River Chum Salmon Outlook and Management Strategies
  - a. Porcupine River Chum Salmon Forecast – *Bonnie Borba, ADF&G and Adam O’Dell, DFO*
  - b. U.S. Management Strategy – *Christy Gleason, ADF&G*
  - c. Canadian Management Strategy – *Jaclyn Kendal, DFO*
  - d. Yukon River Panel Management Recommendations for 2024 Season – *Panel Chairs*
10. 2022 Bering Sea Pollock Fishery Salmon Bycatch Summary: Annual Report to Yukon River Panel – *John Linderman, U.S. Chair and Jim Murphy, NOAA*

**4:30 p.m. to 5:15 p.m.**

Public Comment / Testimony Opportunity - Day 1

**PUBLIC RECEPTION – 6:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.**

**U.S. / CANADA YUKON RIVER PANEL MEETING  
PUBLIC SESSION – DAY 2  
Anchorage Marriott Hotel, Kenai/Denali Room**

**Thursday, April 11**

**9:00 a.m. to 10:30 a.m.**

1. Review of Meeting Agenda and Overview – *Panel Chairs*

**Yukon River Restoration and Enhancement Fund**

2. Status Update on 2023 R&E Fund Projects – *Sascha Bendt, PSC Fund Administrator*
3. Confirmation of R&E Funds Available in 2024 – *Sascha Bendt, PSC Fund Administrator*
4. Overview of 2024 Proposal Submissions – *Sascha Bendt, PSC Fund Administrator*
5. 2024 R&E Fund Proposal Funding Decisions – *Panel Chairs*
6. 2025 Call For Project Proposals – *Sascha Bendt, PSC Fund Administrator*
  - a. Panel Approval of:
    1. 2025 Near-term priorities
    2. 2025 Update / changes to call for proposals
    3. Guidance for project proponents
7. R&E Fund Administrative Updates – *Panel Chairs and PSC Fund Administrator*
  - a. Providing Panel Feedback to Proponents
  - b. Revisions to R&E Fund Priorities Plan
  - c. Policy for Overdue R&E Fund Project Reporting

***MORNING BREAK 10:30 a.m. to 10:45 a.m.***

**10:45 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.**

8. Yukon River Panel Traditional Knowledge Committee Report – *Committee Chairs*
  - a. Update on committee activities and 2024/2025 meeting plan
9. Yukon River Panel Communications Committee Report – *Committee Chairs*
  - a. Update on committee activities, 2024/2025 meeting plan, and Communications Strategy development
  - b. Overview of 2024 Yukon River Panel Education Exchange Program

***LUNCH BREAK 12:00 p.m. to 1:30 p.m.***

**1:30 p.m. to 3:15 p.m.**

10. Marine Salmon Research Update – *Sabrina Garcia, ADF&G*
11. 2024 Yukon River Chinook Salmon Telemetry Project – *ADF&G and DFO*

***AFTERNOON BREAK 3:15 p.m. to 3:30 p.m.***

**Thursday, April 11 (cont.)**

**3:30 p.m. to 4:15 p.m.**

12. Yukon River Salmon Stewardship and Restoration Centre – *TBD KDFN*
13. Yukon River Panel Correspondence - *Panel Chairs*
14. Other Business - *Panel Chairs*
  - a. 2024 Post-Season and 2025 Pre-Season meetings (January and April 2025)
  - b. Other Items

**4:15 p.m. to 4:55 p.m.**

Public Comment / Testimony Opportunity - Day 2

**4:55 p.m. to 5:00 p.m.**

Closing Remarks  
Closing Prayer

**Public Meeting Concludes 5:00 pm**

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**5:05 p.m.**

*Closed session for Yukon River Panel members to finalize press release, action items and other matters from 2024 pre-season meeting.*