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**YUKON RIVER PANEL  
and  
R&E FUND COMMITTEE MEETING**

**March 25-28, 2009**

High Country Inn—Whitehorse, Yukon, Canada

*(3/16/09)*

**TENTATIVE AGENDA**

**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 Panel's anticipated schedule. The Panel will attempt to hold to this schedule; however, the Panel is not constrained by this Tentative Agenda. Opportunities to testify will be announced at the beginning of the meeting. The Panel meeting and Restoration and Enhancement Fund committee meeting are open to the public. The US and Canada section meetings are closed to the public.

**Wednesday, March 25, 1:30 pm - 5:00 pm**

1:30-2:00 pm

- a) Opening Prayer
- b) Welcoming remarks and introductions – Co-Chairs
- c) Review and approval of the agenda – Co-Chairs
- d) Review and approval of the Dec. 2008 Panel meeting summary – Co-chairs

2:00-5:00 pm

- e) **JTC REPORTS**—
  - 1) Summary of spring 2009 JTC meeting—Sandy Johnston and Carl Pfisterer. *(est. 10 min.)*
  - 2) 2009 JTC report—Jacob LaCroix. *(est. 10 min.)*

- 3) 2009 run outlooks for Chinook and chum salmon with a summary of recommended escapement goals—Steve Hayes, Fred Bue, Pat Milligan, Dani Evenson. *(est. 60 min.)*

*JTC reports continue on Thursday March 26.*

NOTE :Opportunity for public comment will be March 26 and 27; comment card must be submitted by 5 pm Mar. 25 and 26.

### **Thursday, March 26, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

#### **YUKON RIVER PANEL MEETING** continued

8:30 -11:45 am

Public Testimony Opportunity  
Panel discussion on other items of interest or concern

#### **JTC REPORTS** continued

- 4) 2008 *Ichthyophonus* baseline sampling—Lara Dehn by teleconference. *(est. 15 min.)*
- 5) Marine update—NOAA staff by teleconference. *(est. 15 min.)*
- 6) Pacific Ocean Shelf Tracking Project (POST) presentation—David Welch *(est. 60 min.)*
- 7) Mitchie Creek presentation—First Nations. *(est. 20 min.)*
- 8) Alaskan subsistence fishery—Dani Evenson. *(est. 15 min.)*
- 9) Report from the JTC R&E subcommittee and JTC recommendations—Al vonFinster, Pat Milligan, Dani Evanson, Tom McLain. *(est. 45 min.)*

**RECESS** to the R&E Fund Committee at conclusion of JTC Reports

1:15 - 5:00 pm

#### **R&E FUND COMMITTEE**

- 1) Discussion of funds available to the Panel and the 2009/10 R&E program financial target. (Panel co-chairs)
- 2) Review of 2009/10 R&E detailed project proposals—
  - a) Recommendations to accept, do not accept, modify, or defer proposals.
  - b) Other R&E Fund recommendations.
  - c) 2010 priorities and Call for Proposals.

NOTE :Opportunity for public comment will be March 27; comment card must be submitted by 5 pm March 26.

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6:00 - 8:00 pm **Welcoming Reception courtesy of YRDFA, Interior Fish, and the Yukon River Panel**—at the High Country Inn

**Friday, March 27, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm**

8:30 – 9:30 am

**R&E FUND COMMITTEE** continued as necessary.

10:00 -11:30 am

**PANEL MEETING** reconvened at conclusion of R&E Fund committee.

Public comment opportunity.

Panel discussion on other items of interest or concern.

**Salmon bycatch update**—Panel input to agencies and NPFMC.

**Enforcement Reports**—Enforcement activities in 2008.

**Community Outreach**

- 1) Educational exchange program report for summer '09.
- 2) Yukon River summer season preparedness report—summary of teleconferences; and stakeholder recommendations (Hale)

1:00 – 5:00 pm

**i) Restoration & Enhancement Program**

- 1) Action on R&E Committee recommendations on R&E Program for 09-10.
- 2) Action on other R&E Committee recommendations.
- 3) Priorities and 2010 Call for Proposals.

**j) Panel Communications Committee**

**Saturday, March 28 8:00 am – 11:30 am.**

8:00 – 11:30 am

**PANEL MEETING** continued

**k) Panel Budget and Administration**

- 1) Budget
  - i. Funds available
  - ii. Cost savings and reduction measures
- 2) Administration

iii. Review scope of work options for administrative support position

**l) Miscellaneous business**

- 1) Correspondence
- 2) Next Panel meeting dates (December '09)
- 3) Panel representation at NPFMC meetings; Bering Sea Salmon Bycatch—  
Chinook EIS final action in April; Chum preliminary alternative in June)
- 4) Other business

**m) Review of work assignments – Co-Chairs**

Closing remarks

Closing prayer

**ADJOURN 11:30 a.m.**