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PACIFIC WHITING TREATY SCIENTIFIC REVIEW GROUP MEETING **February 18-21, 2014**

The Pacific Whiting Treaty Scientific Review Group (SRG) will meet on February 18 - 21, 2014 at the Watertown Hotel in Seattle, Washington.

Meeting Location

Watertown Hotel
4242 Roosevelt Way North East
Seattle, WA 98105, USA

Meeting Agenda

Tuesday, February 18, 2014

- 9:00 AM Welcome and Introductions
- 9:15 AM Review and Approve Meeting Agenda (Chair)
Review Terms of Reference for Assessments and Review Meeting
Assignment of reporting duties
- 10:00 AM General Overview of the Pacific Whiting Acoustic Survey (survey team & JTC)
- 11:00 AM Presentation of the 2013 survey (JTC & survey team)
- 12:00 AM Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 PM Overview of the 2013 Whiting Fisheries
 - o Canadian Waters
 - o U.S. Waters
- 2:15 PM Overview of the Data Sources for the 2014 Assessment (JTC)
- 3:45 PM Public comment on data sources
- 4:00 PM SRG discussion on survey and fishery data
- 5:30 PM Adjourn for the day

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Wednesday, February 19, 2014

- 8:00 AM Presentation of draft 2014 MSE (JTC)
- 10:00 AM Presentation of draft 2014 assessment (JTC)
- 12:00 PM Lunch (on your own)
- 1:00 PM Continue presentation of draft 2014 assessment (JTC)
- 2:30 PM Presentation of sensitivity and retrospective analyses (JTC)
Q&A session with the STATs
- 4:00 PM Public comment on assessment
- 4:15 PM SRG develops list of requests for additional information from the JTC
- 5:30 PM Adjourn for day

Thursday, February 20, 2014

- 8:00 AM Discussion – MSE (if needed) and JTC presentation(s) of response to SRG requests
- 10:00 AM Distribute and review status of notes and draft SRG Report
- 12:00 PM Lunch (on your own)
- 1:30 PM SRG discussion
- Evaluation of base model and primary sources of uncertainty
 - Compile a list of catch levels to consider in a decision table
 - Develop list of additional requests to the JTC
- 4:00 PM Public comment period
- 4:15 PM Initial SRG discussion of research needs for 2014, 2015 and longer-term
- 5:30 PM Adjourn for day

Friday, February 21, 2014

- 8:00 AM Distribute and review status of notes and draft SRG Report
- 8:15 AM JTC presentations and comments on SRG advice
- 10:00 AM SRG discussion on research needs for 2014, 2015 and longer-term
- 11:00 AM SRG statement of findings and finalization of report
- 1:00 PM Panel adjourns

Information about the Pacific Whiting Treaty can be found at:

http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/fisheries/management/whiting/pacific_whiting_treaty.html