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PACIFIC WHITING TREATY JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING **March 18- 20, 2014**

The Pacific Whiting Treaty Joint Management Committee will meet on March 18 - 20, 2014 at the Simon Fraser University Wosk Centre for Dialogue in Vancouver, B.C.

Meeting Time

Tuesday, March 18: 8:30 a.m. to 5:30 p.m.,
Wednesday, March 19: 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., and
Thursday, March 20: 8:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

Meeting Location

Simon Fraser University
Wosk Centre for Dialogue
580 West Hastings St,
Vancouver, BC V6B 1L6

Accommodation

Delta Suites Hotel
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Information about the Pacific Whiting Treaty can be found at:

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

Agenda

Draft agenda is attached.

**MEETING OF THE
US/Canada Pacific Whiting Joint Management Committee
March 18-20th, 2014**

**Wosk Centre for Dialogue - Simon Fraser University
580 West Hastings St,
Vancouver, BC V6B 1L6**

Day 1 March 18, 2014

Plenary Session (Joint Management Committee, Scientific Review Group, Joint Technical Committee, Advisory Panel and public)

Session I - 10:00 - 12:30

Session II - 4:00 - 5:30

The following items are on the JMC's plenary session; however the order and time of the agenda items may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Time	Agenda Item	Presenter
8:30 - 10:00	Separate National Delegation meetings	
Time	Session I - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
10:00-10:15	Opening Remarks and Agenda Review <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Meeting Objectives • Committee Appointment update 	JMC Co-chairs
10:15-11:30	JTC present final report to JMC items to include <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2013 fishery • Current stock status • Joint Acoustic survey results • Management performance • Forecast decision tables on potential annual harvest • Uncertainties in assessment • Research and data needs • Overview of preliminary MSE findings 	Allan Hicks/ Nathan Taylor
11:30-12:30	SRG present final report to JMC	M. McClure/ G. Workman
12:30-1:30	Lunch	
1:30-2:15	Questions and discussion	JMC Co-chairs

Time	Agenda Item	
2:15-4:00	Break for separate sessions of JMC and AP Agenda here is flexible. JMC may call for Plenary Session earlier than 4:00 PM.	

Joint Management Committee Executive Session – Day 1, March 18, 2014: 2:15-4:00

<p>JMC Executive Session</p> <p>This session is closed to all except JMC members and others as agreed to by the JMC.</p>

Time	JMC Executive Session Agenda Items	Presenter
2:15-4:00	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Review and consider reports and advice from the SRG, JTC, and AP • Refer any technical issues to SRG or JTC as appropriate • Refer any further questions to the AP • Consider information on management measures employed by the parties • Develop preliminary look ahead calendar for 2014/15 	JMC – Co-chairs

Time	Session II - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
4:00-5:30	Reconvene Plenary session of JMC	
4:00-5:00	Advisory Panel Report: Provide advice on fishery management issues from previous year	US/Canadian co-chairs AP
5:00-5:15	Public Comment on JTC/SRG/AP advice	
5:15-5:30	JMC report could include: Provide directions to AP Provide directions to SRG and JTC	JMC – Co-Chairs
5:30	Adjourn for the day	

Day 2 – March 19, 2014

Plenary (Joint Management committee, Scientific Review Group, Joint Technical Committee, Advisory Panel and public)

Session III - 8:30-11:30

Session IV - 1:30-4:30

The following items are on the JMC’s plenary session; however the order and time of the agenda items may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Time	Session III - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
8:30-10:00	JTC presents update on MSE process to date and preliminary results	Allan Hicks/ Nathan Taylor
10:00-11:00	SRG review of JTC MSE report	M. McClure/ G. Workman
11:00-1130	Discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2014 MSE work planning • Annual/biannual Acoustic surveys 	
11:30-12:30	Lunch	
12:30-1:30	Break for separate sessions of JMC and AP	

Joint Management Committee Executive Session – Day 2, March 19, 2014: 12:30-1:30

Closed Executive Session		
This session is closed to all except JMC members and others as designated by the JMC.		
Time	JMC Executive Session Agenda Items	Presenter
12:30-1:30	As needed, items to be determined	JMC – Co-chairs

Time	Session IV - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
1:30-2:30	Reconvene JMC plenary session to discuss advice presented	US/Canadian co- chairs AP
1:30- 2:30	Advisory Panel Report response to JTC/SRG reports	
2:30-3:30	JMC provides any further direction to SRG/JTC/AP	JMC - Co-chairs
3:30-4:30	Break for separate sessions of JMC and AP and/or National Delegations as needed <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SRG/JTC/AP develop responses as necessary 	

Day 3 – March 20, 2014

Plenary (Joint Management committee, Scientific Review Group, Joint Technical Committee, Advisory Panel and public)

Session V - 8:30-12:00

Session VI - 1:00-3:30

The following items are on the JMC's plenary session; however the order and time of the agenda items may change as required to effectively address the issues.

Time	Session V - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
8:30-10:00	Feedback from the SRG/JTC/AP as required	US/Canadian co-chairs AP
10:00-10:15	Public Comment	
10:00-10:30	Break for separate sessions of JMC and AP and/or National Delegations as needed	JMC - Co-chairs
10:30-12:00	JMC Report on: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Recommend for approval of the Parties the 2014 TAC• Calculate each Parties TAC pursuant to Treaty and identify any adjustments• Review Initial Draft of JMC recommendation to the Parties and provide comment• Review Treaty process Calendar for 2014/2015	
12:00-1:00	Lunch	

Time	Session VI - Plenary Agenda Item	Presenter
1:00-2:30	Reconvene MSE discussions JMC response/additional clarification of JTC/SRG/AP advise on MSE	
2:30-3:30	JMC decision and further direction/work on MSE to JTC/SRG/AP (as required)	