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United States and Canada Pacific Hake/ Whiting Agreement JOINT MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING

The Joint Management Committee created under the Pacific Whiting Treaty between the Governments of the United States and Canada will meet on August 13-14 in Victoria, BC to discuss the ongoing Management Strategy Evaluation. A preliminary agenda is at the end of this public notice. There will be opportunity for public comment.

Meeting Times

August 13th: 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm
August 14th: 8:00 am - 12:30 pm

Meeting Location

Penwell meeting room
Chateau Victoria Hotel and Suites (www.chateauvictoria.com)
740 Burdett Ave
Victoria, BC V8W 1B2
Canada

Guest Rooms:

\$179.00 for a traditional room and \$299.00 for a one bedrooms suite (CND).
A limited number of rooms will be held until July 13th so please book as early as possible to ensure you get a room.

To book a room, call toll free 1 800 663 5891 or email reservations@chateauvictoria.com. Ask for the Fisheries & Oceans room block or quote confirmation number 277700

Information about the Pacific Whiting Treaty

Information about the treaty including background documents for this meeting can be found at:
http://www.westcoast.fisheries.noaa.gov/fisheries/management/whiting/pacific_whiting_treaty.html



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Preliminary Agenda

Day 1: August 13

- 1:00 pm Introductions & review/revise/approve Agenda
- 1:15 2019/2020 Meeting Schedule - review & approve
- 1:30 Fishery Update
- 2:00 Recap Management Strategy Evaluation (MSE) process, workplan, closed-loop simulation model structure, and conditioning (MSE analyst team)
- 3:00 Scenarios and closed-loop simulation model output (MSE analyst team)
Performance of catch scenarios and survey frequency scenarios across:
 - Fixed and time-varying movement (operating models)
 - Environmental uncertainty scenarios
 - Forced selectivity scenarios
- 3:30 Break
- 5:00 Recap and overview of Day 2 agenda

Day 2: August 14

- 8:00 am Open meeting, brief overview of agenda
- 8:15 Further discussion of model results from Day 1, as needed
- 9:15 Revisit objectives and performance metrics
- 10:00 Break
- 10:15 Requests for additional scenarios by the JMC for the analyst team
- 10:45 Discuss review process for the MSE and how simulation model output could potentially be used by the JMC
- 11:15 Next steps: sensitivity testing, technical documentation, further MSEWG communications (MSE analyst team)
- 12:30 Public comment, meeting adjourns