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Agenda #11: 2025/2026 Meeting Cycle Workload

1. 2025/2026 Meeting Cycle Workload Memo with meeting statistics

MEMORANDUM

STATE OF ALASKA

DEPARTMENT OF FISH AND GAME

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TO:	Alaska Board of Fisheries	DATE:	October 26, 2025
THRU:		PHONE:	907-267-2292
FROM:	Art Nelson, Executive Director Alaska Board of Fisheries	SUBJECT:	Information on the 2025/2026 meeting cycle

The 2025/2026 Alaska Board of Fisheries (board) meeting cycle is set to begin. At each year's worksession, the board reviews the meeting schedule, topics, number of proposals to see if any adjustments need to be made (adding/removing meeting days).

For this cycle, I don't recommend changing the length of any of the planned regulatory meetings. However, I have a suggested modification for the March meeting. At the Cordova meeting in 2024, the board decided that all proposals seeking to change hatchery production levels should move to the meeting cycle that contains Statewide Finfish, which is in this meeting cycle. It has been suggested that we consider adding a meeting of the board's Hatchery Committee prior to the March 17-20, 2026 Statewide Finfish meeting.

I inquired with the Egan Center about adding a day before the March meeting, but this was not available. However, we can add a day to the end of our reservation. If the board agrees, we would hold the Hatchery Committee meeting on March 17, and scoot the four-day Statewide Finfish meeting back by one day to occur on March 18-21, 2025.

Westward Pacific Cod Meeting Statistics

Year	Location	Sched Days	Actual Days	# Props	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Average Time per Report	Testifiers (Public/AC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Test. (hrs)	Avg Time Per Test. (min)	# of RCs	RCs / Day
2025	Anchorage	2		11		2								
2022	Anchorage	2	2	11	5.5	1	1	60.0	33/1	34	2	4.0	21	10.5
2018	Anchorage	2		17	8.5	2	0.5	15.0	54/3	57	7	4.0	39	19.5
2015	Anchorage	2		21	10.5	2	0.9	27.0	33/4	37	3	4.9	40	20
2013*	Anchorage	5		37	7.4	5	2.15	25.8	50/6	56	3.75	4.0	56	11.2
Average		2.8		21.5	8.0	2.5	1.1	32.0		46.0	3.9	4.2	39.0	15.3

* all areas in 2013, since 2015 has been Westward Region except the Kodiak area (Chignik, AK Pen/Aleutian Islands, and Bering Sea Areas)

AYK Meeting Statistics

Year	Location	Sched Days	Actual Days	# Props	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Average Time per Report	Testifiers (Public/AC/ RAC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Test. (hrs)	Avg Time Per Test. (min)	# of RCs	RCs / Day
2025	Fairbanks	5		32	6.4									
2023	Anchorage	5	4.5	34	6.8	11	5.9	32	47/10/2	59	6.75	6.9	59	11.8
2019	Anchorage	5		61	12.2	9	2.75	18	48/15	63	6.15	5.9	72	14.4
2016	Fairbanks	5		55	11.0	5	2	24	40/17/2	59	7.5	7.6	57	11.4
2013	Anchorage	6		69	11.5	8	4	30	62/12	74	8.5	6.9	104	17.3
2010	Fairbanks	6		58	9.7	7	4	34.3	103/12/3	118	11.5	5.8	129	21.5
2007	Anchorage	6		55	9.2	10	4.75	28.5	68/6/1	75	9	7.2	82	13.7
2004	Fairbanks	8		77	9.6	11	6	32.7	46/2	48	7.5	9.4	84	10.5
Average		5.9		58.4	10.0	8.7	4.2	28.6		70.9	8.1	7.1	83.9	14.4

Bristol Bay Meeting Statistics

Year	Location	Sched Days	Actual Days	# Props	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Average Time per Report	Testifiers (Public/AC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Test. (hrs)	Avg Time Per Test. (min)	# of RCs	RCs / Day
2026	Anchorage	5		62										
2022	Anchorage	5		51	10.2	8	6.1	45.8	69/7	76	8	6.3	113	22.6
2018	Dillingham	5		47	9.4	6	2.25	22.5	65/6	71	7	5.9	88	17.6
2015	Anchorage	8		73	9.1	2	0.75	22.5	95/7	102	9	5.3	160	20
2012	Naknek	9		89	9.9	8	6	45	65/3	68	9.5	8.4	148	16.4
2009	Anchorage	8		48	6.0	4	2	30	97/4	101	13	7.7	157	19.6
2006	Dillingham	9		116	12.9	5	2.5	30	141/5	146	17	7.0	203	22.6
2003	Anchorage	8		71	8.9	4	2	30	32/5	37	8	13.0	76	9.5
Average		7.4		71	9.5	5.3	3.1	32.3		85.9	10.2	7.7	135.0	19.8

Alaska Peninsula/Chignik Meeting Statistics

Year	Location	Sched Days	Actual Days	# Props	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Average Minutes/R eport	Testifiers (Public/AC/ RAC)	Total Testified	Time for Test. (hrs)	Avg Time Per Test. (min)	# of RCs	RCs / Day
2025*	Anchorage	7		56										
2023*	Anchorage	6	8	54	9.0	13	6.5	30	258/22/2	282	24.5	5.2	226	37.7
2019*	Anchorage	6		33	5.5	7	3.5	30	138/11	149	9	3.6	138	23.0
2016*	Anchorage	7		59	8.4	6	2.15	21.5	122/11	133	11.25	5.1	192	27.4
2013	Anchorage	7		48	6.9	7	3.5	30	150/12	162	12.25	4.5	172	24.6
2010	Anchorage	5		63	12.6	8	3	22.5	108/13	121	10	5.0	110	22.0
2007	Anchorage	6		47	7.8	8	4	30	51/6	57	6.5	6.8	54	9.0
2004	Anchorage	12		72	6.0	10	5.5	33	88/11	99	14	8.5	132	11.0
Average		7.0		53.7	8.0	8.4	4.0	28.1		143.3	12.5	5.5	146.3	22.1

* Includes Chignik Finfish

Statewide Finfish Meeting Statistics

Year	Location	Sched Days	Actual Days	# Props	Props / Day	Dept Reports	Time Dept Reports (hrs)	Average Time per Report	Testifiers (Public/AC)	Total Testifiers	Time for Test. (hrs)	Avg Time Per Test. (min)	# of RCs	RCs / Day
2026	Anchorage	4		23										
2023	Anchorage	4	4	17	4.25	2	1.5	45	49/10	59	6	6.1	46	11.5
2019	Anchorage	4		13	3.25	1	0.6	36	55/14	69	6.33	5.5	46	11.5
2016	Anchorage	4		24	6	0	0	--	37/6	43	4	5.6	70	17.5
2013	Anchorage	6		29	4.8	2	2	60	96/16	112	11	5.9	106	17.7
2010	Anchorage	6		28	4.7	4	2	30	31/13	44	5	6.8	161	26.8
2007	Anchorage	5		29	5.8	0	0	--	42/12	54	5	5.6	67	13.4
2003	Anchorage	6		30	5	3	2	40	12/2	14	3	12.9	??	??
Average		5.0		24.3	4.8	1.7	1.2	42.2		56.4	5.8	6.9	82.7	16.4