

with the payment methods set forth in 50 CFR 679.67(a)(3)(iv).

#### *CDQ Standard Price and Fee Percentage*

The CDQ Program was implemented in 1992 to provide access to BSAI fishery resources to villages located in Western Alaska. Section 305(i) of the Magnuson-Stevens Act identifies sixty-five villages eligible to participate in the CDQ Program and the six CDQ groups to represent these villages. CDQ groups receive exclusive harvesting privileges of the TACs for a broad range of crab species, groundfish species, and halibut. NMFS implemented a CDQ cost recovery program for the BSAI crab fisheries in 2005 (70 FR 10174, March 2, 2005) and published the cost recovery fee percentage for the 2019/2020 crab fishing year on August 22, 2019 (84 FR 43792). This notice provides the cost recovery fee percentage for the CDQ groundfish and halibut programs. Each CDQ group is subject to cost recovery fee requirements for landed groundfish and halibut, and the designated representative of each CDQ group is responsible for submitting payment for their CDQ group. Cost recovery requirements for the CDQ Program are at 50 CFR 679.33.

For most CDQ groundfish species, NMFS annually summarizes volume and value information for landings of all fishery species subject to cost recovery in order to estimate a standard price for each fishery species. The volume and value information is obtained from the First Wholesale Volume and Value Report and the Pacific Cod Ex-Vessel Volume and Value Report. For CDQ halibut and fixed-gear sablefish, NMFS calculates the standard prices using information from the Individual Fishing Quota (IFQ) Ex-Vessel Volume and Value Report, which collects information on both IFQ and CDQ volume and value.

Using the fee percentage formula described above, the estimated percentage of direct program costs to fishery value for the 2019 calendar year is 0.70 percent for the CDQ groundfish and halibut programs. For 2019, NMFS applied the calculated CDQ fee percentage to all CDQ groundfish and halibut landings made between January 1 and December 31 to calculate the CDQ fee liability for each CDQ group. The 2019 fee payments must be submitted to NMFS on or before December 31, 2019. Payment must be made in accordance with the payment methods set forth in 50 CFR 679.33(a)(3)(iv).

**Authority:** 16 U.S.C. 1801 *et seq.*

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## DEPARTMENT OF COMMERCE

### National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration

#### Science Advisory Board

**AGENCY:** National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA), Department of Commerce (DOC).

**ACTION:** Notice of public meetings.

**SUMMARY:** This notice sets forth the schedule and proposed agenda for the meeting of the Science Advisory Board (SAB). The members will discuss issues outlined in the section on Matters to be considered.

**DATES:** The meeting is scheduled for December 16-17, 2019 from 9:30 a.m. to 5:15 p.m. (EST) and December 17, 2019 from 8:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m. (EST). This time and the agenda topics described below are subject to change. For the latest agenda please refer to the SAB website: <http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx>.

**ADDRESSES:** The December 16-17, 2019 venue is to be determined; please check the website for the physical venue. The link for the webinar registration for the December 16-17, 2019 meeting may be found here: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7581679532832078604>.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:** Dr. Cynthia Decker, Executive Director, SSMC3, Room 11230, 1315 East-West Hwy., Silver Spring, MD 20910; Phone Number: 301-734-1156; email: [Cynthia.Decker@noaa.gov](mailto:Cynthia.Decker@noaa.gov); or visit the SAB website at <http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx>.

**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** The NOAA Science Advisory Board (SAB) was established by a Decision Memorandum dated September 25, 1997, and is the only Federal Advisory Committee with responsibility to advise the Under Secretary of Commerce for Oceans and Atmosphere on strategies for research, education, and application of science to operations and information services. SAB activities and advice provide necessary input to ensure that National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) science programs are of the highest quality and provide optimal support to resource management.

**Status:** The December 16-17, 2019 meeting will be open to public participation with a 15-minute public comment period at 5:00 p.m. EST. The SAB expects that public statements presented at its meetings will not be repetitive of previously submitted verbal or written statements. In general, each individual or group making a verbal presentation will be limited to a total time of three minutes. Written comments for the December 16-17, 2019 should be received in the SAB Executive Director's Office by December 9, 2019 to provide sufficient time for SAB review. Written comments received by the SAB Executive Director after this dates will be distributed to the SAB, but may not be reviewed prior to the meeting date.

**Special Accommodations:** This meeting is physically accessible to people with disabilities. Requests for special accommodations may be directed to the Executive Director no later than 12 p.m. on December 9, 2019.

**Matters to be Considered:** The meeting on December 16-17, 2019 will include the (1) NOAA Update, (2) Plans for the FY 2020-2021 SAB Work Plan, (3) Data Access, Data Science and AI-Based Analysis of Environmental Data, (4) Data Archiving and Access Requirements Working Group (DAARWG) Update, (5) Topic 3 Update: Enhance Strategic Investment and Use of Unmanned and Autonomous Systems, (6) Climate Working Group S2SD2 White Paper, (7) CWG report on the Review of the NOAA Ocean Acidification Strategic Plan, (8) IPCC Special Report on Oceans and Cryosphere, (9) Topic 9: New Technologies for Fisheries Stock Assessments Final Report and (10) NOAA Response to the SAB Citizen Science Report. Meeting materials, including work products, will be made available on the SAB website: <http://sab.noaa.gov/SABMeetings.aspx>.

Dated: November 21, 2019.

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