

Puget Sound Recreational Crab Advisory Group
Meeting at WDFW Mill Creek Office
Thursday September 27, 2018
10:00 AM through ~1:00 PM

AGENDA

- 1. Welcome and introductions (15 min)**
 - a. WDFW staff and advisory committee introductions
 - b. Goals of this committee and advisor's booklet
 - c. Contact list for WDFW staff and advisors
- 2. Crab Fishery**
 - a. Status of the Crab Endorsement Account (10 min)
 - b. 2018 Management plan status and quotas by region (10 min)
 - c. Update on the status and harvest totals for the 2018-19 fishery (20 min)
 - i. Tribal commercial crab harvests by region, number of days open
 - ii. Recreational fishery
 1. Summer recreational harvest estimates by region
 2. Winter seasons and starting date
 - iii. State commercial fishery details
 - d. Planning for the 2019-20 crab season (15 min)
 - i. Potential for a southern Hood Canal closure
 - ii. Other season adjustments in Hood Canal
 - e. Crab test fisheries information (10 min)
 - i. Post-season data collected
 - ii. Upcoming test fisheries scheduled
- 3. Shrimp Fishery**
 - a. Management plan status by region and quotas by management area (15 min)
 - b. Review of how recreational shrimp harvest estimates are generated (15 min)
 - c. Update on the harvest totals for the 2018 fisheries (30 min)
 - i. Tribal commercial shrimp harvests by region, number of days open
 - ii. State commercial shrimp harvests by region
 - iii. Recreational shrimp harvests by management area
 - d. Planning for the 2019 shrimp season (35 min)
 - i. Starting date for the spot shrimp season
 - ii. Strategy for structuring recreational fisheries in 6 and 7 West
 - iii. Reformat of the recreational shrimp web page
 - e. Shrimp test Fisheries information (10 min)
 - i. Post-season data collected
 - ii. Upcoming test fisheries scheduled
- 4. Derelict and lost gear recovery (*Likely for next meeting, but if time permits)**
 - a. Quick summary from the online lost gear reporting tool
 - b. Enforcement sweep statistics
 - i. Summer 2017
 - ii. Summer 2018
 - c. Characteristics of the traps lost
 - d. Recommendations to reduce trap loss
 - e. Recommendations for future sweeps

Handouts:

Map of crab management areas
Map of shrimp management areas
Puget Sound Crab Policy document
Harvest summary for crab
Puget Sound Shrimp Policy document
Harvest summary for shrimp
Contact list for WDFW staff and advisors
Trap sweep summaries, 2017 and 2018