Summary	
Meeting dates:	April 9, 2016
Agenda item:	Results of the 2015 Puget Sound Dungeness Crab Fishery – (Briefing and panel discussion with commercial and recreational industry representatives).
Presenter(s):	Rich Childers, Puget Sound Shellfish Manager, Fish Program Mike Cenci, Deputy Chief of Enforcement, Enforcement Program
Panel Representatives:	Ron Garner, Puget Sound Anglers Gordon Rue, Puget Sound Anglers Brian Allison, Puget Sound Commercial Crab Association Ken Crews, Puget Sound Commercial Crab Association

Background summary:

The Puget Sound crab fishery policy (Policy C3609) was reviewed in 2010 and a revised policy was adopted by the Commission on October 1, 2010. The policy stipulates a Department report to be given on an annual basis to the Commission summarizing the Puget Sound crab fishery. This briefing will summarize the performance and harvest of both commercial and recreational fisheries during the 2015 season and regulation compliance data collected by enforcement and fishery management staff.

Following the staff briefing will be a panel discussion with recreational and commercial crab fishery representatives. Panel representatives will provide stakeholder perspectives on the management and performance of the crab fishery since the adoption of Policy C-3609 in 2010.

Policy issue(s) you are bringing to the Commission for consideration: None, briefing only

Public involvement process used and what you learned:

None, briefing only

Action requested:

None, briefing only

Draft motion language:

None

Justification for Commission action:

Communications Plan:

Agency web site, news releases