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DEPARTMENT OF STATE

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Notice of Public Meeting

**SUMMARY:** The U.S. Department of State, Bureau of Oceans and International Environmental and Scientific Affairs (OES), Office of Marine Conservation announces that the Advisory Panel to the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission will meet on October 1, 2012.

**DATES:** The meeting will take place via teleconference on October 1<sup>st</sup>, 2012, from 1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Eastern time.

**MEETING DETAILS:** The teleconference call-in number is **toll-free 1-877-336-1831, access code 6472335**, and will have a limited number of lines for members of the public to access from anywhere in the United States. Callers will hear instructions for using the access code and joining the call after dialing the toll-free number noted. Members of the public wishing to participate in the teleconference must contact the OES officer in charge as noted in the FOR FURTHER INFORMATION section below no later than close of business on Friday, September 28, 2012.

**FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT:**

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**SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:** In accordance with the requirements of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, notice is given that the Advisory Panel to the U.S. Section of the North Pacific Anadromous Fish Commission (NPAFC) will meet on the date and time noted above.

The panel consists of members from the states of Alaska and Washington who represent the broad range fishing and conservation interests in anadromous and ecologically related species in the North Pacific. Certain members also represent relevant state and regional authorities. The panel was established in 1992 to advise the U.S. Section of the NPAFC on research needs and priorities for anadromous species, such as salmon, and ecologically related species occurring in the high seas of the North Pacific Ocean.

The upcoming Panel meeting will focus on two major topics:

- 1) review of the agenda for the 2012 annual meeting of the NPAFC

(October 7-12; St. Petersburg, Russia); and 2) logistics for the U.S. Section at the NPAFC meeting. Background material is available from the point of contact noted above and by visiting [www.npafc.org](http://www.npafc.org).

This announcement might appear in the *Federal Register* less than 15 days prior to the meeting. The Department of State finds that there is an exceptional circumstance for such publication, in that this advisory committee meeting must be held on October 1<sup>st</sup> in order to prepare for the international NPAFC to be convened on October 7<sup>th</sup>.

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Date

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