CATCH SHARES WORKSHOP

March 16-18, 2010 Kingsmill 1010 Kingsmill Road Williamsburg, VA 23185 757-253-1703

Final Agenda 3/15/10

Tuesday, March 16

10:00 - Noon	Registration
Noon - 1:00 p.m.	Lunch (provided)
1:00 – 1:45 p.m.	 Welcome and Introductions Welcome - Rick Robins & Lee Anderson (MAFMC Chair and Vice-Chair) Snapshot of MAFMC species and management – Dan Furlong (MAFMC Executive Director) Introduction to Catch Shares – Mark Holliday (NMFS Office of Policy) Basic elements of design process and policy decisions that should be considered when creating catch shares
1:45 – 2:45 p.m.	 Opening Plenary Session: Case studies Alaska halibut/sablefish IFQ – Jane DiCosimo (Senior Plan Coordinator, North Pacific Fishery Management Council) Gulf of Mexico red snapper IFQ – Bob Gill (Vice Chair, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council) Australia's Catch Share Programs – David Galeano (Senior Economist, Australian Fisheries Management Authority
2:45 - 3:00 p.m.	Open Comment/Questions (Participants & Public)
3:00 - 3:15 p.m.	Break
3:15 – 5:30 p.m.	Breakout #1 [Note: Four groups of participants will rotate through the 4 issues / panels. See list of topics and panelists at the end of the agenda]
6:00 - 7:30 p.m.	Reception

Wednesday, March 17

7:30 - 8:30 a.m. Breakfast (provided)

8:30 - 10:45 a.m. Breakout #2

10:45 – 11:00 a.m. Break

11:00 – 12:00 p.m. Plenary Session: Data Collection / Monitoring - the Lynchpin for Accountability & Credibility

- Jessica Gharrett (Restricted Access Management Program, NMFS Alaska Region)
- Howard McElderry (Archipelago Marine Research)

[Note: Review data collection and monitoring programs in Alaska and British Columbia that support catch share programs]

12:00 – 1:15 p.m. Lunch (provided)

1:15 - 3:30 p.m. Breakout #3

3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Break

3:45 – 5:15 p.m. Plenary Session: Catch Shares and Recreational Fisheries

Presentation on existing recreational catch share program:

• Alaska halibut for-hire catch share that was designed but not implemented - Jane DiCosimo

Panel discussion on proposed ideas for addressing the recreational sector when commercial catch shares are in place

- Halibut charter fleet in Alaska Captain Greg Sutter
- Rhode Island recreational charter boat industry Captain Rick Bellavance (President of the Rhode Island Charter and Party Boat Association)
- Coastal Conservation Association Dick Brame

[Note: This session will explore two main issues: the use of catch shares in recreational fishery management, and the interaction of a commercial catch share program with the recreational fishery.]

Thursday, March 18

7:30 – 8:30 a.m.	Breakfast (provided)
8:30 – 10:45 a.m.	Breakout #4
10:45 – 11:00 am	Break
11:00 – 12:30 pm	 Summary Review of Reports from Panel Discussions Presentations on each break out session by moderators Open Q&A with Panelists (Participants & Public)
12:30 - 1:30	Lunch (provided)
1:30 – 2:30	 Governance of catch shares: inter-jurisdictional fisheries Hear from other regions/fisheries that share similar inter-jurisdictional issues under catch shares management (share a common stock unit, but different governance systems) Virginia Black Seabass Catch Share - Jack Travelstead (MAFMC - Virginia Marine Resource Commission) Discussion panel with representatives Panelists include: MAFMC, ASMFC, NMFS, NOAA General Counsel
2:30- 3:30 p.m.	Where Do We Go From Here – Discussion led by Rick Robins & Lee Anderson
3:30 - 4:00 p.m.	Comments / Feedback

Breakout Sessions:

[Note: for the breakout sessions, we plan to limit each panel to 2-3 experts.]

- 1. Economic outcomes of catch shares fisheries: sustaining fishing communities
 - Review examples of catch share fishery outcomes in terms of economic performance and efficiency
 - Address excess capacity and rationalization (costs & benefits of consolidation)
 - Discuss concept of excessive shares

Proposed Panelists:

- Steve Minor (Executive Director, North Pacific Crab Association)
- David Krebs (President, Gulf of Mexico Shareholder Alliance)
- Jessica Gharrett (Restricted Access Management Program, NMFS Alaska Region)
- 2. Catch shares as a biological management tool, focusing on intersections between fisheries
 - Review the use of catch shares to address bycatch, especially depleted stocks.
 - Review the use of catch shares in mixed fisheries
 - Discuss practicality of catch based monitoring

Proposed Panelists:

- Howard McElderry (Archipelago Marine Research)
- John Henderschedt (NPFMC Member; Participant in Pollock and Whiting fishery and processing)
- Wes Erikson (Fisherman, British Columbia)

3. Allocation

- Highlight policy objectives for allocation decisions
- Review allocation formulas
- Define ownership eligibility
- Compare definition of excessive shares across fisheries

Proposed Panelists:

- Kate Quigley (South Atlantic Fishery Management Council Staff Economist)
- Joe Childers (President, United Fishermen of Alaska; vice chair NPFMC AP)
- Bob Gill (Vice Chair, Gulf of Mexico Fishery Management Council)
- 4. Markets & Long term distribution of shares
 - Review means for transferability and leasing of catch shares
 - Discuss potential / innovative ways to make quota available (quota banks or community quotas)
 - Review and discuss potential mechanisms for permit financing
 - Address mechanisms involved when pricing quota shares

Proposed Panelists:

- Ed Backus (VP, Ecotrust)
- Corbett Grainger (University of California, Santa Barbara)
- Mike Arbuckle (Senior Fisheries Specialist, World Bank)