

## AKSRTF IPR #4 Meeting 1/25/24

### Task Force Attendees (Virtual)

Andrew Munro	Ed Farley	Megan McPhee	Oscar Evon
<del>Andy Pisten</del>	Jacob Ivanoff	Megan Williams	<del>Steve Reifenstuhl</del>
Austin Estabrooks	Justin Leon	Michelle Stratton	Tom Carpenter
Bill Templin	<del>Karla Jensen</del>	Mike Flores	<del>Tommy Sheridan</del>
<del>Caroline Brown</del>	Katie Howard	Noëlle Yochum	Laura Dwinnell

- 24 Attendees from the Public
- [Agenda Link](#)
- [Website Link](#)

### Meeting Highlights

Welcome / Logistics - Facilitator, Laura Dwinnell

- Welcomed all attendees at 9:31am AKDT, provided an announcement of meeting recording, and an agenda overview.

Update on AKSRTF - Chair, Ed Farley

- Provided task and activities Update. [January 25 Slide Presentation](#). Ed reviewed the overall task force schedule and key milestones.

Upcoming highlights include

- **Feb 13:** Task Force Meeting, in person/hybrid; Anchorage, at ADFG building 333 Raspberry Rd.
- **Mar 27:** Task Force Meeting (virtual - open to public); Report on progress toward DRAFT Report
- **Apr 1:** DRAFT FINAL REPORT; begin one month Public Review

## Update on Report

- Overall format goal: ~ 2 pages or less for the Executive Summary; ~25 pages for body of report; Details in Appendices
- Suggestion made to structure the Executive Summary by research project needs
- Add a table of contents for easy reference and navigation.

## Review of Executive Summary / Research Needs & Priorities

- Comment: Need to balance and clearly identify what we can and cannot do. Note the Prioritization Matrix has criteria to help get to this point, e.g. 'actionable')
- Marine Harvest (Report section) Add "and Bycatch" to the title.
- Regarding references. Question posed to the group if we need references in the report. Decision made to not include references.
- **ACTION - ALL:** Request that the Task Force review and continue to provide comments/edits in the report with all edits/suggestions by February 13.
  - Identify what more is needed? Is something significant missing? Provide suggestions for enhanced clarity
- Comment from Task Force to focus on mitigation strategies and have them spotlighted in a one-pager
- **ACTION - Andrew Munro:** Add additional / pertinent State of AK time series data
- Climate Warming Events: Question on how we make recommendations that we can impact, that are actionable? Answer: Consider how we can make the recommendation mitigate an effect on the salmon. One suggested example: *Make sure salmon have resilient habitat*
- **ACTION - ALL: Resource Needs.** The content in these sections needs to be condensed and likely combined. Request is for all Task Force members to provide comment/suggestion on how to best make that happen. Currently, "Research needs" appear in each section in "Potential causes of decline and/or high variability in Alaska salmon

production”. (Note: in current version of the report, this section starts on page 9)

- **ACTION - ALL:** Think about research projects and be prepared to discuss at the Feb 13 meeting.

#### Prioritization Matrix and Process

- **ACTION - Ed / Noelle:** Provide suggested criteria definition in Prioritization Matrix
- **ACTION - ALL** add Research Need and provide rating. **Due by Feb 13** so that we can discuss at that meeting.
- Suggestion made to have a separate tab in the spreadsheet for each ‘topic’. The Task Force decided to begin filling in and rating the Prioritization Matrix with Research Needs and at the Feb 13 meeting, we will make a decision on the value of splitting out the topics to different spreadsheets.

#### Meeting Close

- Meeting closed at 11:40am AKDT,

#### Summarized Questions & Comments (full detail in meeting recording)

Question	Response
Would be good to show bycatch numbers	
Salmon health, food security; recommend that	As a Task Force we might want to consider “Did we miss a header or topic related to “Social Science” or Human Impact?” We need to think about this and consider adding this important part of the story
Marine Harvest research needs - within economic zone of Russia	That would be reported in North Pacific ... of Russia.
Is there any plan to include traditional	Yes, that is part of the gravel to

knowledge?	gravel strategy
Suggested site for more info on Artic Beaver Observation Network  <a href="https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/a-bon/">https://sites.google.com/alaska.edu/a-bon/</a>	
Criteria seemed to be equally weighted? Are one criteria more important than others?	They are intended to be equal. Given the prioritization leads to different results. Depending on who has funding or ideas on where they want to go next, the user of the information can have the flexibility to inform their decision
Are the sum of the criteria score summed?	Still a work in progress, but probably not summed.
Consider impact to community: Frame in relation to food security	
Suggestion: instead of 'actionable' use 'applicable' (in prioritization matrix criteria)	
Is April 30 comment date best time for other agency staff to provide input to the draft report	The full month of April is for the public. Comment. Yes, great time for others to provide comments to the Task Force.
Does the group intend to address each salmon species separately when developing research needs/mitigation strategies. - some recommendations may be beneficial to some species, detrimental to others	Yes, we are looking at each species separately. But some recommendations will be specific to certain species and some will be applicable to more than one.