

Dungeness Crab - Informational Meeting
Lynnwood Embassy Suites
August 12, 2015
10:00 am - 3:00 pm

Agenda

- 10:00 - 11:00 **Estimating Sustainable Yield for the Dungeness Crab Stock In Puget Sound -** Preliminary analysis of the current Dungeness Crab Fishery using four (4) methods developed for data-poor stocks. Robert Conrad - NWIFC
- 11:00 - 12:00 **Estimating Dungeness Bycatch Mortality Rates -** A review of work nearing completion in Oregon State, to assess the impact of the fishery on soft crab, females and sub-legal males. Noelle Yochum - OSU
- 12:00 - 1:00 **Lunch** - provided
- 1:00 - 1:30 **Contaminants in Puget Sound Dungeness Crab and Spot Prawn -** Summary of consumption advice by the Department of Health. Joan Hardy - DoH
- 1:30 - 2:00 **Escape ring modifications to reduce female and sublegal male crab retention in Dungeness fisheries -**Two modifications with escape rings, (location and size) may significantly reduce the amount of female and sublegal male Dungeness crab retention in traps without a decrease in legal-sized male catch. – George Stearns, Puyallup Tribe
- 2:00 - 2:30 **Minimum Size for Retention in the Dungeness Crab Fishery -** With fishing pressure being at or near record highs, could one of the Ss be improved upon? David Fyfe - NWIFC