

Consultation History

Fisheries and Oceans Canada has made every effort to take under consideration the views of stakeholders, including representatives of Nunavut, in the development of this proposal. As an example, when new management areas were suggested with associated quota values, the Department took under advisement views from Nunavut stakeholders and redeveloped the proposal to take into account their perspective. Furthermore, DFO has respected the various processes under which this type of exercise has taken place, and has been open and transparent with co-management partners as evident in the consultation calendar outlined below.

July 3/2008: Nunavut/Nunavik/DFO meeting – Jeff Maurice (NTI), Joe Justus (NWMB), Neil Greig and Stas Olpinski (Makivik) participated. General agreement that a working group was needed to sort out issues and that NTI and Makivik need to begin sharing negotiations on shrimp resource in Hudson Strait.

April 14/2010: NSAC meeting – A full list of participants is available in the meeting minutes. Northern participants included; BFC, GN, Makivik, NMRWB, Unaaq Fisheries, TJFB, TFPC and the Northern Coalition who represents QC. Science raised concern with potentially high harvest rate of *P. montagui*. CAPP noted concerns related to the offshore fleet's MSC proceedings and the current management in this area. Several participants asked for a detailed proposal to address science and management concerns. Interested parties met after the NSAC meeting and drafted the "NSAC" proposal to address the concerns. Proposal was distributed to all stakeholders for comment.

May 20, 2010: Briefing note provided to the NWMB for information.

October 6/2010: Conference call – participants included: BFC, NWMB, CAPP executive Director, Northern Coalition who represents QC, Makivik, and NMRWB to discussed way forward given concerns raised with NSAC proposal.

November 30/2010): Face to face meeting in Ottawa. A full list of participants is available in the meeting minutes. Northern participants included; BFC, QC, NWMB, NTI, GN, Makivik, NMRWB, the NG, and the TFPC. TJFB sent their regrets. Given the concerns raised with the NSAC proposal, DFO put forward an alternate proposal for consideration by shrimp stakeholders. Agreement in principle by all stakeholders on the alternate proposal was provided. DFO was asked to work on details. Also recognition that given the issues to be resolved, what type of interim measures can be put in place for next season to address conservation concerns. NG raised concerns re: interpretation of LILCA but provided support in principle for the proposal. The NG asked for clarification of entitlements in this area to be discussed between DFO and the NG.

December 13/2010: Follow up conference call. Northern participants included; BFC, QC, NWMB, NTI, GN, Makivik, NG, TFPC, and Torngat Secretariat. There was agreement that an interim approach was to be developed and circulated pre-NSAC for

discussion at NSAC (March 1). As discussed at the November 30th meeting, industry suggested an interim approach could be forth to Boards for decision with ‘no-prejudice’ for one year. A follow-up meeting by teleconference will be scheduled for the end of January to further discuss outstanding issues and the development of an interim approach.

February 8/2011: Follow up conference call – Northern participants included; BFC, QC, NWMB, NTI, GN, Makivik, NG, TFPC and Torngat Secretariat. Outstanding issues were discussed such as development of a “by-catch” protocol and progress on a sharing arrangement between Nunavut and Nunavik for the shrimp resource in Hudson Strait. NTI reiterated that they still had no mandate to engage in sharing negotiations with Makivik. CAPP suggested a by-catch regime for *P. montagui*. NWMB asked how a by-catch regime for *P. montagui* in DS-W would impact the directed *P. montagui* fishery in the Nunavut Settlement Area. It became obvious these issues would not be addressed in the near future and, as suggested at previous meetings, an interim approach for the 2011/12 season was suggested as a way forward.

February 23/2011: DFO submitted briefing notes to NMRWB and NWMB which included a suggested interim approach (and allocation plan) for 2011/12.

March 1, 2011: NSAC meeting. A full list of participants is available in the meeting minutes. Northern participants included; NWMB, GN, BFC NTI, QC, Makivik, NG, TJFB and the TFPC. The proposal was presented but it **did not** include the suggested interim allocation plan presented to the NMRWB and the NWMB. Representatives from the NWMB, GN, and BFC stated interim plan was not acceptable.

March 3/2011: NMRWB meeting –a number of NWMB staff and members present. Proposal with suggested interim approach for 2011/12 was presented. Resolved to accept boundary changes and deferred TAC decisions until sharing arrangements underway.

March 23/2011: NWMB meeting –Proposal which included a suggested interim approach for 2011/12 was presented. NWMB resolved to postpone making its decision.

March 30/2011: TJFB meeting– proposal presented to members of the TJFB and the Torngat Secretariat.

March 20/2012: Conference call on the management regime for mixed species fishery. Participants included; BFC, QC, PFL, NWMB, NTI, Makivik, NG, and Torngat Secretariat. Industry signaled that discussions on the management regime (directed vs b-catch) would be better once boards have completed their processes and sharing arrangement defined.

List of Acronyms

BFC- Baffin Fisheries Coalition
DFO C&A- Fisheries and Oceans, Central and Arctic Region
CAPP- Canadian Association of Prawn producers
DS-W- Davis Strait West proposed management unit
GN- Government of Nunavut
LILCA- Labrador Inuit Land Claims Agreement
Makivik- Makivik Corporation
NG- Nunatsiavut Government
NMRWB- Nunavik Marine Region Wildlife Board
NSAC- Northern Shrimp Advisory Committee
NTI- Nunavut Tungaavik Incorporated
NWMB- Nunavut Wildlife Management Board
PFL – Pangnirtung Fisheries Limited
QC- Qikiqtaaluk Corporation
TJFB- Torngat Joint Fisheries Board
TFPC- Torngat Fish Producers Coop Society Ltd