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North Pacific Research Board Seeks Nominations for Advisory Panel Gulf of Alaska representative – Application Deadline EXTENDED TO JANUARY 15, 2020

The North Pacific Research Board seeks nominations and self-nominations to fill a single seat on its Advisory Panel representing the Gulf of Alaska region, beginning February 1, 2020. In a separate solicitation NPRB is seeking to fill up to two seats on its Science Panel. The deadline for receipt of nomination materials has been extended to Wednesday, January 15, 2020. The next meeting of the Advisory Panel will be April 8-9, 2020 in Anchorage.

The Advisory Panel represents stakeholders, user groups, and other interested parties from regions within the Board’s purview: The Gulf of Alaska, the Bering Sea, and the Arctic, and one at-large seat. Appointments are for three-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. The seat currently vacant and advertised here represents the Gulf of Alaska region.

Advisory Panel members advise the Board on accomplishing its mission of fielding a high caliber, comprehensive research program that will: 1) improve our understanding of the Gulf of Alaska, Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands, and Arctic Ocean ecosystems and their fisheries, and 2) help sustain and enhance marine resources. For more information: http://www.nprb.org/nprb/about-us/advisory-panel.

The Board believes it is important to incorporate meaningful community involvement throughout its science program, from planning to oversight and review. The Advisory Panel has a significant advice-giving role, with active involvement in setting research priorities and defining questions, as well as highlighting proposals with special stakeholder relevance. To this end, nominations are sought from individuals with practical knowledge and experience in one or more of these three large marine regions.

The Advisory Panel meets twice each year in Anchorage (April and September). While there is no pay involved with serving on the Advisory Panel, the Board covers expenses for travel, food, and lodging for members to attend panel meetings, and to attend the Alaska Marine Science Symposium, usually held the last week of January each year in Anchorage.

The Board will consider the following attributes when deciding on appointments to the Advisory Panel:

- Candidates should have a demonstrated ability to be objective in considering research activities and science planning;
- Candidates should be of top quality and caliber and be committed to full and active participation for each meeting during their term;

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• Candidates should be considered because of the experience they bring to the Board rather than their political clout or connection;
• Candidates should be active, involved members of their local community, occupation, or community of interest to ensure the best and most pertinent input into the Board and should be responsible and diligent in reporting on Board activities back to their communities.

In selecting Panel members, the Board recognizes that constituencies from Washington, Oregon, and other areas may have direct interest in its activities, in addition to people throughout Alaska from Southeast to the Arctic Ocean.

The deadline for receipt of nomination materials is Wednesday, January 15, 2020. Nominations and self-nominations may be submitted to the Board by email to kayla.wagenfehr@nprb.org, or by regular mail to:

Nominations Committee
North Pacific Research Board
1007 West 3rd Avenue, Suite 100
Anchorage, AK 99501

Nominations and self-nominations must include:
• A brief resume of not more than three pages and
• Full contact information including phone number and email address.

Optional but preferred:
• Up to three letters of reference may be submitted by the deadline.

Please note:
Attendance at panel meetings is critical to NPRB’s success. Nominees and self-nominees are asked to take a close look at their calendars to see if the typical Advisory Panel meeting schedule is compatible with theirs. The AP typically meets the third or fourth week of April in Seattle and the first or second week of September in Anchorage every year. The next meeting of the Advisory Panel will be earlier than usual, April 8-9, 2020 in Anchorage.

• Conflict of Interest Policy. The Board and its panels follow conflict of interest procedures (available here) during the proposal selection process, requiring recusals and disclosures on individual projects. Nominees and self-nominees are strongly encouraged to review the policy before putting their names forward. For more information contact the Executive Director at betsy.baker@nprb.org.
• No pay is involved with serving on the Advisory Panel, but the Board covers expenses for travel, food, and lodging for members to attend panel meetings, and to attend the Alaska Marine Science Symposium, usually held the last week of January each year in Anchorage.

Please visit the Board’s web site at www.nprb.org for more information about the Board and its activities.