North Pacific Research Board Seeks Nominations for Science Panel: Social Science and/or Indigenous Scholarship – DEADLINE EXTENDED TO JANUARY 15, 2020

The North Pacific Research Board seeks nominations or self-nominations to fill up to two seats on its Science Panel that will become available on February 1, 2020. In a separate notice, NPRB is also soliciting nominations for one seat to represent the Gulf of Alaska region on its Advisory Panel. The deadline for receipt of nomination materials has been extended to Wednesday, January 15, 2020. The next meeting of the Science Panel is March 15-17, 2020 in Seattle.

Desired qualifications for the up to two seats on the Science Panel include expertise in one or more of the following categories: 1) Social science, including but not limited to anthropology, geography, political science, sociology, and resource management/co-management; and 2) Indigenous scholarship, including Indigenous knowledge and governance systems in Alaska. Strong candidates will demonstrate applied expertise, knowledge of pressing fisheries management issues, research needs, priorities of state and/or federal managers, and ecosystem information needs. Members are selected for their expertise, broad perspective, experience, and leadership in areas important to NPRB’s research program as spelled out in the NPRB Science Plan.

The overall mission of the North Pacific Research Board is to develop a comprehensive science program of the highest caliber that will provide better understanding of the North Pacific, Bering Sea, and Arctic Ocean ecosystems and their fisheries, and will help to sustain and enhance marine resources. The Science Panel assists the Board in shaping its entire scientific program. The Science Panel advises the Board on science planning and identification of research priorities; identification and evaluation of scientific and research information relevant to the Board’s mission; and review of proposals and technical evaluations received by the Board. For more information see http://www.nprb.org/nprb/about-us/science-panel.

The Science Panel generally meets twice each year (typically spring in Seattle and fall in Anchorage). Panel members serve four-year terms, with a maximum of two consecutive terms. While there is no pay involved with serving on the Science Panel, the Board covers expenses for travel, food, and lodging for panel 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 deadline for receipt of nomination materials is Wednesday, January 15, 2020. Nominations and self-nominations may be submitted by email to kayla.wagenfehr@nprb.org, or by regular mail to:

Nominations Committee
North Pacific Research Board

December 10, 2019
Nominations/Self-nominations must include:

- A brief resume of not more than three pages;
- Full contact information including phone number and email address; and
- Three letters of reference.

Before applying, please note three important points:

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 Science Panel meeting schedule is compatible with theirs. The SP typically meets the third or fourth week of March in Seattle and the third or fourth week of August in Anchorage every year. The next meeting of the Science Panel is March 15-17, 2020 in Seattle.

- **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.

- **Expenses.** No pay is involved with serving on the Science 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](http://www.nprb.org) for more information about the Board and its activities.