

January 30, 2025
NFHP Board Meeting



**Governance
Committee**

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CHAPTER	DESCRIPTION	RESPONSIBILITY	PRIORITY	DRAFT	FINALIZE
Bylaws	Bylaws for NFHP Board		0	DONE	Dec 2023
Code of Conduct	Board member code of conduct including policy on conflicts of interest	Governance Committee	1	DONE	Nov 6, 2024
Designation of FHPs	Description of the process for obtaining Congressional designation of existing FHPs and the process for approving new FHPs	Partnerships Committee	2	DONE	Jan-Feb 2025
Committee Governance Documents	All standing committees of the Board are required to have their own guidance document that describes how they will operate	Each committee develops their own, Governance Committee reviews, and Board approves	3	PC – done GC - done CC - done PoIC - done SDC - done	Jan 28-30, 2025
FHP Evaluation Process	Description of how the annual FHP evaluation process is to be conducted	Partnerships Committee	4	Ongoing	Early 2025



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Interagency Operational Plan (IOP)	Include the IOP itself in the procedures manual to outline the collaboration of Federal entities within NFHP.	Jason Olive (USFWS)	5	ongoing	TBD
National Conservation Priorities	Description of how the Board develops/modifies the National Conservation Priorities	Science & Data Committee	6	January 2025	Spring 2025
Budget	Description of the annual project funding cycle and how the FHP allocations are determined once USFWS receives its budget	Stan Allen & NFHP Board Staff	7	January 2025	Spring 2025
NFHP Staffing Plan	Description of the Board's staffing needs and how the Board will interact with Board staff relative to duties and accountability	EXCOM	8	Spring 2025	Summer 2025



Next Steps

- Continue to work with teams and Committees to document processes
 - Congressional designation
 - NCP determination
 - Annual project evaluation
 - Annual budget

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- Board vacancy for commercial fishing seat

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Suggested Board motion:

Vote to approve shifting **Chris Moore** to represent the Fishery Management Councils, **Stan Allen** to represent the Marine Fisheries Commissions, and advertise a **vacancy** to be filled representing commercial fisheries interests.



Question & Discussion

- Would the Board like to consider having some type of **Board evaluation**?
- How have **other groups/Boards** like this one handled that process?
- What have you seen that **has worked well**?