



PINTO ABALONE STATUS REVIEW

Pinto abalone are iconic marine snails valued for their cultural importance, role in the marine ecosystem, beautiful shells, and as food. Despite a ban on harvest and the establishment of a captive breeding program, information available to the Washington

Department of Fish and Wildlife suggests that remnant populations are not reproducing in the wild and may be in peril of local extinction. WDFW is soliciting any available data on the species, and seeks public comment on a proposal to list the pinto abalone as a state endangered species. Please join us for a presentation at one of two initial public meetings listed above. Data and comments received at the meetings, through mail, via email, or over the phone will be summarized for a status review submitted to the Fish and Wildlife Commission. For more

information contact our representative, or visit
wdfw.wa.gov/conservation/pinto_abalone/



Upcoming Public Meetings:

December 4, 2018 6:00 p.m.
Northwest Maritime Center
431 Water Street, Port
Townsend, WA 98368

December 10, 2018 6:00 p.m.
Anacortes Public Library
1220 10th Street, Anacortes,
WA 98221

Please Submit Listing Proposal Comments and Questions to:

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