

NEFMC Groundfish Oversight Committee Meeting

Providence, RI

March 28, 2014

DRAFT Motions and Consensus Statements

AMENDMENT 18 (A18)

OTHER TOPICS FROM PUBLIC SCOPING

1. Motion (Pierce/Goethel)

Move that a sunset provision be included in A18 requiring that non-fishing interests (i.e., lease only PSC holders) to relinquish their PSC(s) unless they become active in the groundfish fishery by that time (date?) as a “frameworkable” item.

The motion **failed** on a show of hands (2/8/1).

HA FISHERY

2. Motion (Kendall/ Alexander)

To recommend to the Council to o move the Handgear A fishery alternatives (Section 4.4) to the “Considered but Rejected” section of Amendment 18.

2a. Motion to substitute (Pierce/McKenzie)

Move to adopt the following options within the Handgear A fishery Alternative 2 (Section 4.4.2), include Option A, sub-option B (voluntary); Option B, sub-option A; Option D,; Option E; Option F; Option G; and Option H.

The motion to substitute **failed** on a show of hands (2/7/2).

2b. Motion to substitute (Dempsey/Balzano)

To substitute that within the Handgear A fishery Alternative 2 (Section 4.4.2), to recommend that the Council adopt Option F (removal of March 1-20 closure) and Option H (removal of standard tote requirement), and consider adding VMS exemption for Handgear A permits to the list of possible sector exemptions.

The motion to substitute **carried** on a show of hands (10/0/1).

The main motion **carried** on a show of hands (10/0/1).

3. Consensus Statement

The Committee agreed by unanimous consent to move all other options within the Handgear A fishery measures Alternative 2 (Section 4.4.2) to “Considered but Rejected,” besides those included in the prior motion.

U.S./CA TRADING

4. Motion (Alexander/Balzano)

To recommend to the Council to include in A18 within the U.S./CA trading measures (section 4.3) section 4.3.2 (in-season trades for U.S./CA stocks) with Alternative 2 option B as preferred (allow in-season trades of sector ACE).

The motion **carried** on a show of hands (8/0/0).

ACCUMULATION LIMITS

5. Motion (T. Alexander/Dempsey)

To add an additional alternative within the accumulation limit measures (Section 4.1) that would limit GB cod PSC to an accumulation limit of 30%, GOM cod at 15%, and pollock at 20% [*This would be an option within Alternative 4*].

The motion **carried** on a show of hands (5/3/2).

6. Motion (Kendall/Dempsey)

To add an alternative within the accumulation limit measures (Section 4.1) that would limit PSC at 20% for all stocks, except GB winter flounder at 30% [*This would add an Alternative 5*].

The motion **carried** on a show of hands (5/3/2).

PERMIT BANKS

7. Consensus statement

The Committee agreed by unanimous consent to discuss permit banks at the next OSC meeting (April 4).

FRAMEWORK ADJUSTMENT 52 (FW52)

7. Motion (T. Alexander/Goethel):

To include in FW52 as an alternative the use of the Mixed Stock Exception for management of windowpane flounder.

7a. Motion to table (Dempsey):

To table the previous motion to the next OSC meeting (April 4).

The motion to table **carried** on a show of hands (8/0/0).

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