

Additional Slides

Groundfish

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2018 Priorities Discussion

Draft List of Potential 2018 Priorities

- Final Committee Recommendations at the November Meeting
- Council sets 2018 priorities in December
- **For Today: Are there items to add to the draft list?**

<i>Legal/Regulatory Requirement</i>
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set ABCs/ACLs for US/CA stocks
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Revise rebuilding plans as needed (ocean pout, GB winter flounder, witch flounder, northern windowpane)
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Address Status Determination Criteria issue when analytic assessments fail
<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Related: TRAC/TMGC

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Ongoing

- Develop alternative strategies for setting catch advice for stability in ACLs
- Groundfish Monitoring/A23
- Process for review of groundfish catch in other fisheries
- Cod Stock Structure Working Group

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Others

Specify allocation review triggers

Adjust exemption areas as necessary (GenCat sea scallop, whiting, etc; or better addressed by other Committees)

Develop limited access program for the party/charter fishery

Possible recreational sub-ACL for GB cod

Address allocation issues if raised by new MRIP data

Electronic reporting for party/charter vessels

Additional guidance on adjustment/penalties as a result of sector overages

Modify the GF control rule for stocks without analytical models – i.e., empirical and index-based (SSC)

Consider requirement for eVTRs in the party/charter recreational fishery

Get input on different ways to manage recreational fishery in light of highly variable catch estimates

Sector five-year review



Discuss Executive Orders (EOs) related to Reducing Regulation

Background

- **EO 13771 – Reducing Regulation and Controlling Regulatory Costs (“2 for 1 Executive Order”)**

Goal: Eliminate two existing regs for each new significant reg that imposes costs. Desire to control regulatory costs on society.

The new regulation must be significant – most fisheries regulations are not. Routine MSA actions are exempt (i.e. specs).

The regs removed do not have to be significant.

Total cost must be less than 0.

- **EO 13777 – Establishes task force at each agency to ensure implementation of EO 13771**

Evaluating existing regulations for repeal or modification, seek input from affected entities.



Background (cont.)

- CCC presentation in May 2017.
- NMFS still working on how to address these EOs.
- Two for one trade applied at the Agency level – within DOC.
- Several existing regulatory review processes in place:
 - MSA/Council process routinely reviews regulations.
 - Some statutory requirements for periodic reviews (catch share/LAPPs, SBRM rule, allocation policy, etc.).
 - Council sets work priorities annually
- Currently there is no streamlined way to remove regulations; full MSA/NEPA/APA process still required.
This process not expected to be fast.



Initial discussion - Groundfish FMP only

Agenda Item

1. Initial step to get ideas from the public on evaluating existing regulations.
2. Council will keep track of these ideas and may consider addressing them in future actions.
3. This meeting specific to the Groundfish FMP; are there any regulations in the Groundfish FMP that could be eliminated, improved, or streamlined?
4. Other committees will discuss the same topic; input will be forwarded to the Council.

