

June 1, 2016 Herring Advisory Panel meeting DRAFT Motions

Industry-Funded Monitoring

Motion #1: O'Neill/Calomo. The AP reaffirms its motions from the March 15 AP meeting regarding preferred alternatives for the IFM Amendment.

Rationale: The updated information and analysis has not altered the opinion of the AP. It is not necessary to have >25% video review and its associated costs that have to be borne by the industry.

The motion **carried** on a show of hands (7/1/1).

Georges Bank Haddock - Herring Action

Consensus Statement #1: The AP has no revisions to the draft action plan to recommend.

Consensus Statement #2: For Alternative 2.1.3, revise to include a minimum cap percentage of 1%.

Rationale: Continued bycatch of GB haddock is expected. A cap of 0.2% is too low. A cap of 1% is more workable and the increase took substantial effort.

Consensus Statement #3: Alternative 2.3.4 (seasonal split) should not be selected without also selecting an increase in the cap.

Rationale: With a 1% cap, there would not be enough haddock available for a seasonal split to be viable for the fishery.

Consensus Statement #4: The AP does not support the development of Alternative 2.3.2.

Rationale: Depending on which alternative gets chosen, you run the risk of lowering or having no cap in subsequent years.

Consensus Statement #5: On Alternative 2.3.3, modify to be in-season only.

Rationale: Depending on which alternative gets chosen, you run the risk of lowering or having no cap in subsequent years. Also, if the cap had been tied to the CV in 2015, the fishery would not have been shut down.

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Consensus Statement #6: The AP did not have any revisions to workshop recommendations regarding the MSE, but anticipates a lively AP discussion in August on localized depletion.

GB haddock action cont.

Consensus Statement #7: The AP does not support the development of alternatives in Section 2.4: development of a required bycatch avoidance program and a proactive seasonal closure.

Rationale: The AP supports developing the other options in the document; the industry is already taking proactive steps to avoid bycatch.