

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON GROUND FISH MANAGEMENT

Situation: The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) will report on its regulatory activities and developments relevant to groundfish fisheries. Specific items for discussion include an update on 2003 regulations and progress made in the rulemaking process, a briefing on recent negotiations with Canada concerning whiting allocation and management, and other issues of interest to the Council.

Council Task:

1. Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. None.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agendum Overview (Including Update on 2003 Regulations and U.S./Canada Whiting Meeting)
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- c. Public Comment
- d. Council Discussion

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Groundfish Fishery Strategic Plan (GFSP) Consistency Analysis

This agenda item is not expected to require Council decision making that raises issues of consistency with the GFSP.

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