GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL STATEMENT ON
CONSIDERATION OF INDIVIDUAL QUOTA PROGRAMS

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) listened to several presentations on individual quota programs and work being done to develop individual quota (IQ) systems. The GAP wants to express its appreciation to representatives of the Canadian fishing industry and the Canadian government for providing us with information on the Canadian quota system.

The GAP recommends the Council form a committee to develop a draft IQ system for groundfish species harvested by the limited entry trawl fleet. The committee should include those sectors affected. The Council should devote necessary resources to accomplish this.

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