CONSIDERATION OF INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS

The Council set optimum yield (OY) levels and various management measures for the 2006 groundfish management season with the understanding these management measures will likely need to be adjusted periodically through the year with the goal of attaining, but not exceeding, the OYs.

Proposed inseason adjustments for Washington and Oregon recreational fisheries are outlined in Agenda Item(s) F.5.c., WDFW Report and ODFW Report, respectively. Agenda Item F.5.c, CDFG Report describes the proposed methodology for projecting impacts in the California recreational groundfish fishery. This methodology was reviewed and approved by the Groundfish Management Team in February. Specific proposals for inseason adjustments to the 2006 California recreational groundfish fishery are anticipated to be forthcoming at the March Council meeting. There may also be some proposed adjustments to ongoing commercial fisheries for Council consideration at this meeting.

Under this agenda item, the Council is to consider advisory body advice and public comment on the status of ongoing fisheries and adopt inseason adjustments to ongoing groundfish fisheries as necessary.

Council Action:

1. Consider information on the status of ongoing fisheries.
2. Consider and adopt inseason adjustments as necessary.

Reference Materials:

4. Agenda Item F.5.e, Public Comment.

Agenda Order:

a. Agenda Item Overview
b. Report of the Groundfish Management Team
c. Agency Comments
d. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
e. Public Comment
f. Council Action: Adopt Recommendations for Adjustments to 2006 Fisheries

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