

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON INCIDENTAL CATCH
REGULATIONS FOR THE SALMON TROLL AND FIXED GEAR SABLEFISH FISHERIES

Mr. Brian Culver of the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) joined the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) for its discussion of this issue.

The GAP supports status quo management for the reasons provided in the GMT statement. In the sablefish fishery, the GAP agrees that a 100-pound incidental halibut catch per 1,000 pounds of sablefish provides for incidental catch. In the salmon troll fishery, the GAP has concerns that increasing the halibut to salmon ratio may increase impacts on yelloweye and canary rockfish.

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