The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) had a lengthy discussion regarding the November meeting workload and schedule and has the following comments and requests:

1. Exempted fishing permit packages must be completed and available in the advanced November Council briefing book or the GAP will not consider them.
2. The scorecard should be accurate and up-to-date on Sunday for the start of the GAP meeting.
3. Open Access limitation should be delayed until an early 2008 meeting.
4. Any documents associated with the trawl rationalization and intersector allocation programs should be sent to the GAP on paper – not CD.
5. All GAP members are encouraged to attend the November meeting and if they are unable to attend, they should name an alternate.

The GAP’s top priority for the November meeting is the Trawl Rationalization and the Intersector Allocation programs. The GAP’s lowest priority for the November meeting is limiting open access. The GAP would like to begin at 10:00 am on Sunday and we would prefer a catered lunch brought in so that we may work through the noon hour.

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