

VOTING LOG
Pacific Fishery Management Council
September 11-15, 2000

MOTION 1: Approve the agenda (no changes).

Moved by: Jim Harp
Motion 1 passed.

Seconded by: LB Boydston

MOTION 2: Approve the April and June 2000 minutes with the following corrections:

For the April minutes, page 24, item D.12.f., fourth paragraph states that Mr. Brown did not support the motion, but he in fact did. On page 41, under Agenda Item C.4.c. Mr. Harp noted the paragraph which states "Tulalip tribes met with the...." should be reworded to say "the Tulalip tribes hosted a meeting of the tribal and states managers". Also, in the April voting log, the second sentence in motion 29 should read "May 1 thru June 30, and a 5,500 chinook subquota.....".

For the June minutes, page 27 says Mr. Brown disagreed with Mr. Anderson, but he did agree with Mr. Anderson on the issue. Mr. Robinson noted that on page 56, it reads "Mr. Fougner directed the CPSMT to review..." the word "directed" should be changed to say "requested".

Moved by: Jim Harp
Motion 2 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 3: Include marine reserves as a management tool for West Coast groundfish fisheries.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 3 passed.

Seconded by: Patty Wolf

MOTION 4: Request a report from a derivative from HSG and the ad-hoc marine reserves committee and in that report identify the work tasks required to carry out the tasks and if the Council adopts the strategic plan, and forms an implementation committee, have those two groups come together to put together an "assessment report" with the appropriate priorities identified. Mr. Anderson seconded the motion.

Moved by: Neal Coenen
Motion 4 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 5: Send the proposed letter concerning research in the Heceta Bank area with some minor editing by Chairman Lone.

Moved by: Ralph Brown
Motion 5 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 6: Relative to the Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan, adopt for public review the recommendations of WDFW as presented in Exhibit D.3.b, Supplemental WDFW Report, September 2000.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 6 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 7: Approve the Draft Research and Data Needs document incorporating additional comments as provided by the SSC and the Draft West Coast Ecomic Analysis for public review.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 7 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 8: Adopt the Groundfish Strategic Plan with the following revisions:

*Rename committee as the "Implementation Oversight Committee"

*Section III.A.1.(b.) - p. 67, Add after number 2:

3. At its discretion, the Implementation Oversight Committee may establish small implementation development teams to develop specific alternative(s) for implementing the elements of the Strategic Plan. The implementation development teams will be comprised of subpanel members from the GMT, GAP, SSC, EC, and members of the public as deemed necessary by the Implementation Oversight Committee.

*Include changes proposed by the Habitat Steering Group in the Pacific Groundfish Habitat section recommendation number 2, and add recommendations as proposed (see Exhibit G.2.d, Supplemental HSG Report). Do not include the last recommendation the HSG made on their report.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 8 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 9: Adopt the transmittal to Secretary of Commerce Mineta for the Strategic Plan Document as shown in Exhibit G.2.f, Draft Council Adoption Letter.

Moved by: Ralph Brown
Motion 9 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 10: Preliminarily adopt the canary rockfish analysis based on scenario one, with the resampling recruits per spawner as indicated on the bottom row of scenario one on page 14 Exhibit G.4, Attachment 3, (47% rebuilding probability estimate) includes an annual catch of 40 mt plus 10 mt for the southern area (20% of the coastwide total).

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 10 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 11: Adopt for preliminary review the cowcod rebuilding plan developed by Tom Barnes and John Butler with the specific rebuilding target shown on page 8, under median 1998 biomass and assuming an F level of .01 and also add to the document the management measures that are likely needed to affect that rebuilding:

1. area closures

2. harvest of associated species
3. apply incidental or zero retention of the species through out the rebuilding period.

Include a footnote in the document that they will have a baseline study done of the Conception area to the U.S./Mexico Border.

Moved by: LB Boydston Seconded by: Jim Caito
Motion 11 passed.

MOTION 12: Reconsider Motion 10.

Moved by: LB Boydston Seconded by: Phil Anderson
Motion passed.

MOTION 13: Amend Motion 10 using Exhibit G.4. to set 40 mt as the guideline for the northern portion of the stock and 20 mt for the southern portion, but to operate under a coastwide total of 60 mt. There would be no range. (Motion 13)

Moved by: LB Boydston Seconded by: Don Hansen
Motion passed.

MOTION 14: For public review, adopt the ABCs and OYs, as indicated in Supplemental Revised Attachment 1, with the following amendments:

Lingcod – OY 611 mt
POP – OY would be 626 mt (in place of the range)
Widow – leave as a range
Canary – 60 mt OY
Chilipepper – ABC total would be 2,700 mt
Longspine – ABC and OY would be 2,461 mt
Cowcod – OY 2.4 mt
Darkblotched – OY would be 95 mt
Dover Sole, English Sole, and the other flatfish, the bolded numbers of 7,677 mt, 2,693 mt, 2,567 mt, 5,046 mt; and 6,699 mt would be the ABCs for these species.

Moved by: Phil Anderson Seconded by: Jim Harp
Motion 14 passed.

MOTION 15: For Tribal groundfish fisheries other than Pacific whiting and halibut, adopt for public review the proposed limits as outlined in the Tribal proposal G.6.c. for the 2001 fisheries.

Moved by: Jim Harp Seconded by: Phil Anderson
Motion 15 passed.

MOTION 16: For tribal Pacific whiting fisheries, adopt for public review a tribal set aside of 32,500 metric tons for the 2001 fisheries.

Moved by: Jim Harp Seconded by: Phil Anderson
Mr. Neal Coenen abstained from the vote.

MOTION 17: Set the joint venture processing and total allowable level of foreign fishing to zero.

Moved by: Bill Robinson
Motion 17 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 18: Approve the options and analysis for public review as shown in Exhibit G.7, Attachment 1 with the following additions, page 1, bottom paragraph, second line "larger producer" should say "as to allow producer" – strike word larger; and on page 2 under primary objectives for permit stacking there should be one that addresses National standards 1, 2, and 3 for the primary objectives; and on page 4, update section 1.3.3 to reflect the recent Council action and what is stated in the strategic plan relative to fixed gear sablefish; page 6 Provision 7 – drop "7c"; page 6 – drop Provision "8"; page 5 – under Provision 3 add a provision to look at ownership restrictions – the five percent that the GAP suggested; permits on page 14 – clarification of the discussion of what an owner is – based on Seger's comments; page 21 the Section 3.3.x, risk of foreign control, add a provision that requires the owner to be a U.S. citizen. Then add a new provision under enforcement that would require a 6-hour prior notice of landing of a stacked quota and a requirement that permits that are stacked must notify NMFS in 2001 by June 30 and there after by January 15 that stacking is going to take place. Under the at-sea processing, adopt a provision by the GAP to grandfather people in as at-sea processors based on 1998, 1999 and 2000 landings (see gap statement). Under provision 4, drop option "4b".

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 18 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 19: Adopt for public review and consideration Exhibit G.10.b, CDFG report, with the following clarifications: the proposed closed periods would apply to fixed gear fisheries but not groundfish trawl and exempted trawl, and recreational and commercial fishing from shore would be allowed during the closure periods. With regard to the large area closures in southern California, there may be a provision to allow retention of slope rockfish by fixed gear sablefish fisherman by either depth fishing restrictions or time/area closures. The status quo regulations are understood to be part of the package, this is additional regulation considerations. Also include the proposals put forth by WDFW and ODFW for the recreational fisheries.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 19 passed.

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

MOTION 20: Adopt the alternative ways to credit discards in the sablefish fixed gear and trawl fisheries in Exhibit G.10, Supplemental GMT Report 2 dated September 2000: options 2001b, 2001c, and 2001d. Include a report of the chronological actions the Council has taken in sablefish trawl and fixed gear.

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 20 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 21: Referring to the Allocation Committee Report G.4. and the GAP Report Exhibit G.10.b., send out the following measures for 2001 for public review and analysis. Working from the Allocation Committee Report, page 3, each limited entry vessel may be allowed to harvest groundfish during 2 two-month periods during the fishing year – a period will consist of two consecutive calendar months. One period must be selected during the first six months of the year, and one during the second five months of the year. The two month period starts when the vessel makes a landing in any given month. Additional opportunities will be in December, which will be a default period of the entire limited entry fleet. Option 2 would be to pick 3 months in the first 6 months, then 2 months for the next 5, and December. The open access

fishery would be open from April through September (a six month fishing period). In addition to those two alternatives, working from GAP report, divide the season into two cumulative limit periods. The status quo is to be analyzed by the GMT to show reductions and trip limits necessary to achieve the 2001 OY targets. Also include in the motion a recommendation to the states that they require fish excluders.

Moved by Phil Anderson
Motion 21 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 22: Initiate a regulatory amendment to modify the permit transfer regulations as included in the Supplemental GAP Report G.8 and the three recommendations by NMFS.

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 22 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 23: For limited entry fixed gear fisheries south of Pt. Conception have an option similar to limited entry fixed gear to the north but a year-round opportunity for slope groundfish, specifically under this option the fishery for shelf and nearshore species would be closed during January, February, November and December, or corresponding to the recreational closures in that area; have a primary fishery for shelf and nearshore April through September and a small nearshore during the remaining months of 500 pounds. For slope groundfish (rockfish and sablefish), there would be a year-round opportunity. Include in the option a footnote to the recreational options adopted, that if 2000 recreational landings of canary rockfish are excessive, further restrictions need to be applied.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 23 passed.

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

MOTION 24: Adopt Exhibit G.11, Supplemental GMT report, September 2000 with the following modifications: for limited entry, fixed gear for minor nearshore rockfish south, instead of 6,000 pounds for two months – change it to 9,000 pounds for September-October. For November -December, change it from 6,000 pounds to zero or 3,000 pounds depending on closure in the recreational fishery in that area for rockfish and lingcod. For open access minor nearshore, where it says proposed for September -October, 4,000 pounds– change it to 6,000 pounds and then for November -December. Make it zero or 2,000 pounds, depending on closure in the recreational fishery in that area for rockfish and lingcod. Those changes would correspond to changes in regulations for recreational fisheries south of Conception. No recreational closure is anticipated between Conception and Cape Mendocino.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 24 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 25: Send another letter to the California Fish and Game Commission to take action at its next meeting to control the recreational catch of lingcod (use same letter as last time, but enclose data used at this meeting).

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 25 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 34: Abolish the north and south habitat panels.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 34 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 35: Expand the membership of the GAP by adding one open access position, bringing the total open access positions to two. These positions require one person north of Cape Medocino and one person south of Cape Mendocino.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 36: Add a seat for a tribal fisherman to the GAP.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 36 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 37: In order to balance the representation on the HMSAS between the commercial and recreation sectors convert one of four commercial at-large positions to an at-large recreational seat.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 37 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 38: The Council agreed to modify page 2 of COP 2 under "Alternates" to allow an alternate to be paid expenses once each year as long as prior notification is provided in writing to the executive director.

Moved by: Burnie Bohn
Motion 38 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 39: Approve the Budget Committee Report.

Moved by: Hans Radtke
Motion 39 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown