

MOTION 7: If after the successful review of the PSC and approval by the treaty tribes and approval NMFS relative to the compatibility with the PS management plan, marked select fisheries thru-out Puget Sound....the Council will evaluate and make a determination as to whether the proposed fisheries impactand whether the concerns of the STT and SSC have been made or met.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 7 passed.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

MOTION 8: Adopt the draft HMS FMP.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 8 passed.

Seconded by: Roger Thomas

MOTION 9: Choose preferred alternatives in the HMS FMP. [The Council's final preferred alternative recommendations are detailed in the November 2002 edition of the Council Newsletter.]

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 9 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 10: Adopt the following modifications to the Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for the 2003 Oregon recreational fishery:

1. *Develop framework language allowing inseason action to transfer quotas between the Columbia River and Central Oregon Coast sport subareas.*
2. *Develop framework language allowing preseason transfer of quotas between the North Central and South Central Oregon coast sport subarea May (spring) seasons to meet the plan's objective of setting equal number of fixed fishing days for the two subareas.*
3. *Extend the recreational season for all subareas south of Cape Falcon from September 30 to October 31.*
4. *Change language defining the central Oregon recreational fisheries to spring and summer seasons rather than May and August seasons, and include the months of May to July in the spring season and the months of August to September (or October) in the summer season.*

Moved by: Burnie Bohn
Motion 10 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 11: Adopt the proposals contained in *Exhibit E.1.c, Supplemental Revised WDFW Proposal* for modifications to the Pacific Halibut Catch Sharing Plan for the 2003 Washington recreational fisheries.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 11 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 12: Adopt the proposals as shown in *Exhibit E.1.g, Supplemental Washington Motion*.

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 12 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 13: Change the halibut catch sharing plan section (f)(5)(i)(C) as follows:

If any of the sport fishery subareas north of Cape Falcon, OR are not projected to utilize their respective quotas by September 30, NMFS may take inseason action to transfer any projected unused quota to another Washington sport subarea ~~projected to have the fewest number of sport fishing days in the calendar year.~~

and change catch sharing plan (f)(5)(ii)(E) as follows: *Modification of subarea quotas north of Cape Falcon, OR consistent with the standards in section (f)(5)(i)(C) of this plan.*

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 13 passed.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

MOTION 14: Set the 2003 Pacific sardine harvest guideline at 110,908 mt.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 14 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 15: Have the Council draft a letter to NMFS stating the needs for research for sardine fishery on the West Coast and requesting the finding of dollars to fund that research as a high priority.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 15 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 16: Establish the STAR Panel and request funding for that panel (as described in the SSC statement).

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 16 withdrawn.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 17: Allow 45% of the total weight of the landed catch could be sardines in other CPS directed fisheries.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 17 passed. Ms. Vojkovich and Mr. Caito voted no.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 18: Direct the CPSMT to develop analysis for management alternatives that include:

The management alternatives are:

1. Status quo.
2. No allocation – institute a coastwide harvest guideline.
3. Move northern boundary of southern subarea from 35°40' to 39° N latitude, change reallocation date from October 1 to September 1 (or August 1), and provide for December 1 reallocation to a coastwide harvest guideline.

4. Change reallocation date from October 1 to September 1 or (August 1), and provide for December 1 reallocation to a coastwide harvest guideline.

The Council also requested sub-alternatives be analyzed for Alternatives 3 and 4. These sub-alternatives relate to the allocation percentages:

- a. 33% to the north, 66% to the south.
- b. 50% to the north, 50% to the south.

The analysis should also consider the allocation factors detailed at Section 2.1.4 in the CPS FMP. In addition, incidental catch (bycatch) among the various fisheries should be considered. The Council expressly gave discretion to the CPSMT to formulate other reasonable options, based on the information resulting from the analysis. For example, the analysis could reveal that an option for allocations among 3 subareas might be reasonable, e.g., U.S./Mexico border to 35° 40' N latitude, 35° 40' N latitude to 39° N latitude, and 39° N latitude to the U.S./Canada border.

The Council expressed concern that the schedule developed by NMFS might be overly ambitious. Therefore, to provide information that could provide for more expeditious action during the 2003 fishing season, the Council requested the CPSMT to prioritize the analysis of changing the reallocation date from October 1 to an earlier date.

Moved by: Marija Vojkovich
Motion 38 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 19: Adopt the recommendations of the GMT as shown in Exhibit G.2.b, Supplemental GMT Report for 2002 management - with regards to the trawl fishery le north of 40 10 that we allow for a retention of 500 pounds of widow per month and 300 pounds of rockfish per month using small footrope; and part 2) off California - for exempted trawl that we allow for up to 100 pounds per day of flatfish with the presence of at least 1 California halibut and 100-300 pounds of flatfish provided flatfish poundage does not exceed California halibut poundage (with the use of trawl gear consistent with approved groundfish trawl gear. (Paragraph 4 of the GMT Report).

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 19 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 20: Pertaining to the recommendations given to NMFS regarding 2003 groundfish management, use the replacement language recommended by GMT (paragraph 5) - also to recommend amending the regulations for the CRCA as it pertains to gear exceptions for sanddabs that for both recreational and commercial to use up to 12 #2 hooks per line and for the recreational fishery up to two pounds of weight per line. Include in the motion the third sentence in paragraph 5.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 20 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 21: For 2003 groundfish management modify the groundfish closure for recreational fisheries previously described as "L" shaped to the "C" shaped closure as noted in the halibut catch sharing plan..

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 21 passed.

Seconded by: Mark Cedergreen

MOTION 22: Recommend that NMFS, in consultation with the Ad Hoc VMS Committee, prepare a proposed rule for a pilot VMS program for implementation at some point in 2003. The proposed rule should include:

1. Monitoring System and Declaration Requirements: The basic VMS transceiver and mobile communication system would be required equipment. A declaration for legal fishing incursions into Groundfish Conservation Areas (GCA) would be required for all federal groundfish limited entry, exempted trawl, and tribal trawl vessels; open-access line-gear would not be subject to the declaration requirements. Declarations would be required prior to leaving port and would remain in effect until the vessel changes its intent with another declaration.
2. Coverage: Federal groundfish limited entry vessels that actively fish on the West Coast are required to carry an operating VMS unit.
3. Expenditures: The council recommends that NMFS fully fund all VMS requirements, or, if that is not possible, any vessels which have incurred VMS expenses be eligible for reimbursement as federal funding becomes available.
4. Gear Type: Only one groundfish gear type can be onboard when fishing in a GCA and no active fishing inconsistent with the regulations of the GCA may occur on the trip.
5. Gear Stowage : When transiting a GCA, trawl gear must remain below deck or covered on the deck of a vessel, or the net must be disconnected from the trawl doors and the trawl doors hung on their stanchions.

Note: The motion did not specify a recommended date, subsequent to final rule making completion, that VMS equipment would be required to be on-board vessels and enforcement of the regulation provisions would begin.

Moved by: Bill Robinson
Motion 22 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 23: Forward the six EFPs to NMFS for final approval as shown in Exhibit G.6.c, Supplemental GMT Report. The motion also includes the bycatch numbers identified on the table as noted by the GMT. (With the removal of the California trawl EFP).

Moved by: Burnie Bohn
Motion 23 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 24: For groundfish multi-year management (Groundfish Amendment 17), adopt Alternative 3 as described in the EA Exhibit G.5, Attachment 1, including:

1. the mid-process best available science check in the Exhibit G.5.c, Revised Supplemental GMT Report,
2. including the two one-year OY recommendations as in Exhibit G.5.c, Revised Supplemental GMT Report, and
3. with the exception that whiting may be done on an annual basis.

Further the GMT will be tasked to work with the Council advisory bodies to come up with the thresholds for determining whether mid-process changes are necessary.

Moved by: Bob Alverson
Motion 24 passed.

Seconded by: Phil Anderson

MOTION 25: For amendment 16 rebuilding plans for groundfish, adopt items 1c, 2b, 3e, and 4a, as shown in Exhibit G.10, Attachment 1.

Moved by: Burnie Bohn
Motion 25 passed.

Seconded by: Ralph Brown

MOTION 26: Have Council staff incorporate into A16 for the Council's consideration and public review following the April meeting the observer program as mandatory and as a standard part of the groundfish FMP's bycatch accounting methodology.

Moved by: Bill Robinson
Motion 26 passed.

Seconded by: Burnie Bohn

MOTION 27: Support the bycatch workshop, but have a discussion in March or April to determine when or if the B₀ workshop takes place.

Moved by: Burnie Bohn
Motion 27 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Harp

MOTION 28: Send the letter as shown in Exhibit B.1., Supplemental Attachment 4 as presented with a request that on the last page with the bullets that we indicate which department would be responsible. The first two bullets the responsibility would be with the DOI and the DOC. The rest of the bullets responsibility would be for the DOI. Give Council staff authorization to edit and spell check the letter as necessary. Also include on the "cc" list, Mr. Greg Waldon (Klamath Falls area).

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 28 passed. Mr. Robinson abstained from the vote.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 29: Adopt the Legislative Committee report as shown in Exhibit H.1.b, Supplemental Legislative Committee Report.

Moved by: Ralph Brown
Motion 29 passed.

Seconded by: Burnie Bohn

MOTION 30: Adopt the report of the Budget Committee as shown in Exhibit H.2.a, Supplemental Budget Committee Report.

Moved by: Don Hansen
Motion 30 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 31: For the Washington Coastal tribes, appoint Calvin S. Frank to serve on the Salmon Advisory Subpanel for the time period between January 1, 2003 and December 31, 2003. Mr. Frank has been nominated by the Quinault Indian Nation for this position.

Moved by: Jim Harp
Motion 31 passed.

Seconded by: Burnie Bohn

MOTION 32: For the SAS Klamath River Basin federally recognized tribal position and HC, have the Council leave Dave Hillemeier as the SAS member until the term ends December 31, 2003; I further recommend that Mike Orcutt continue to serve on the Council Habitat Committee (HC) for the timeframe ending on December 31, 2003.

At the appropriate time the Council should advertise for both positions to be filled effective January 1, 2004 from nominations of eligible persons that must be affiliated with a federally recognized tribe and must be knowledgeable about tribal anadromous fishery (SAS) or tribal anadromous habitat issues (HC).

The Council received a proposal from the Hoopa Valley tribe on Friday, October 25, 2002 that proposed addition additional seats to both the SAS and the HC. After review of this proposal, the Council opted to not increase the composition of either the SAS or the HC.

Moved by: Jim Harp
Motion 32 passed.

Seconded by: Burnie Bohn

MOTION 33: Appoint Mr. Michael Osmond of the WWF to fill the conservation position of the Hc for the completion of the 2001-2003 term. Motion 33 passed.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 33 passed.

Seconded by: Jim Caito

MOTION 34: Fill the vacancies on the GAP that we advertise those sector positions for nominations for the remainder of the 2001-2003 terms; have the Council take up the matter of GAP composition prior to advertising the positions for the terms beginning in 2004.

Moved by: LB Boydston
Motion 34 passed.

Seconded by: Don Hansen

MOTION 35: Instruct the Council staff to put out requests for nominations for the HMS northern processor position.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 35 passed.

Seconded by: Bob Alverson

MOTION 36: Appoint Mr. Donald Hansen as Vice-Chair and Dr. Hans Radtke as Chairman for another one-year term.

Moved by: Phil Anderson
Motion 36 passed.

Seconded by: Burnie Bohn