

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS) WHITE PAPER ON
BEST SCIENTIFIC INFORMATION AVAILABLE (BSIA)

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is soliciting comments on a white paper entitled, “Framework for Determining that Fishery Management Decisions are Based on the Best Scientific Information Available” (Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 1). Dr. Richard Methot, NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center, will brief the Council on the Best Scientific Information Available (BSIA) white paper.

The Council task is to review the draft BSIA white paper, consider the advice from the Scientific and Statistical Committee and other advisory bodies, and provide comments on the plan to NMFS.

Council Action:

Review and comment on the NMFS White Paper on Best Scientific Information Available.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item C.6, Attachment 1: Framework for Determining that Fishery Management Decisions are Based on the Best Scientific Information Available.

Agenda Order:

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| C.6 | National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) White Paper on Best Scientific Information Available (BSIA) | John DeVore |
| a. | NMFS Report | Rick Methot |
| b. | Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities | |
| c. | Public Comment | |
| d. | Council Action: Review and Comment on the NMFS BSIA White Paper | |