

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE (NMFS) REPORT ON  
A DEEP SET BUOY GEAR (DSBG) RANGE OF ALTERNATIVES (ROA)

On April 17, 2017, NMFS hosted a listening session in La Jolla, California, to gather input from interested stakeholders on an ROA for an authorized DSBG fishery. Participants discussed various management measures listed in the Council's March 2016 [Preliminary Draft Motion in Writing](#) and included members of the drift gillnet fleet, current DSBG exempted fishing permit holders, and non-governmental organizations. The meeting was held in advance of the Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) meeting, and notes taken during the listening session were distributed to the HMSMT to inform their discussion on this agenda item.