

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON 2014
EXEMPTED FISHING PERMIT (EFP) NOTICE OF INTENT

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) reviewed the Letter of Intent submitted by the Northwest Sardine Survey for an Exempted Fishing Permit (EFP) in 2014. The proponent, Mr. Jerry Thon, representing the Northwest Sardine Survey LLC, was present to discuss progress and problems encountered during their summer 2013 survey. The survey conducted in summer 2013 encountered significant delays due to fog and was not completed.

The CPSMT supports Council adoption of this survey for public review. The CPSMT notes that a specific EFP tonnage has not yet been specified by the requestor, we expect the amount to be presented when setting harvest specifications in April 2014.

Finally, the CPSMT notes that Council Operating Procedure 23 for EFP requests may need to be revised to accommodate the new sardine management cycle.

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