THE GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON TRAILING ACTIONS
SCOPING, PROCESS, AND PRIORITIZATION

The Groundfish Management Team (GMT) would like to thank Mr. Jim Seger and Ms. Jamie Goen for providing an overview of this agenda item. The GMT had a very limited time to discuss the issues under the trawl trailing actions agenda item. In the overview the GMT heard that there may be some consideration of maintaining the current trawl rationalization trailing actions process or merging it with a general groundfish management approach. The general groundfish management approach—being pursued under Amendment 24—would take a more holistic approach to all issues that come up in the groundfish fisheries. The GMT is supportive of anything that helps streamline processes, prevents duplication of efforts, and maximizes efficiencies.

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