COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
UPDATING THE LIST OF FISHERIES

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) reviewed the supplemental Ecosystem Plan Development Team (EDPT) reports addressing revisions to the Federal List of Fisheries and Gear (Agenda Item H.1.b, Supplemental EPDT Reports, June 2013), giving particular attention to Table 2, which outlines the proposed changes to the List.  A number of CPSAS members were also present during the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) discussion of the proposed changes to the list, which helped to resolved some of the CPSAS' questions on this list.

The CPSAS would like to commend the Ecosystem Plan Development Team for their work, not only in revising and refining the list of fisheries, but additionally in providing rationale for the proposed changes and making efforts to ensure existing fisheries were not inadvertently excluded from the list.  The CPSAS would, however, like to highlight two areas where the list may be further improved upon or where additional clarification may be necessary:

1.  Table 2 Section 3 (Coastal Pelagic Species Fisheries (FMP)): The CPSAS recommends the inclusion of a recreational category. This change is necessary to cover currently authorized recreational catch of mackerel and other CPS species, and would also cover the take of live bait by recreational anglers. The CPSAS recommends the following authorized gear types to be included under a CPS FMP recreational sub-section: hook-and-line, dip net, and cast net.

2.  Table 2 Section 10 (Squid, all spp. except market squid, and Octopus Fisheries (Non-FMP)): The CPSAS would also like to recommend inclusion of language in the heading of this section "and not otherwise prohibited."  This new heading would therefore read: "Squid (all species except market squid), octopus fisheries, and those not otherwise prohibited (non-FMP)."

Following resolution of these issues, the CPSAS recommends the updated List of Authorized Fisheries be circulated for public review and comment.

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