

WDFW Motion – I move that the Council:

1. Adopt the final Pacific Coast Fishery Ecosystem Plan, including the process described in Section 1.3, except that the Council would consider Ecosystem matters during its March mtg and provide flexibility to the Ecosystem Plan Development Team to consider and incorporate edits to the Plan as suggested by the Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel (pages 3-5), HMS Management Team, and CPS Management Team for chapters 3, 4 and 6 (pages 1-2)
2. Adopt the final Ecosystem Initiatives Appendix, and periodically revisit the Ecosystem Initiatives to revise, add to, or prioritize the list of initiatives in odd years, beginning with 2015.
3. Review and consider the List of Fisheries separately from the ecosystem Initiatives.
4. Move forward with Initiative 1, and form an ad hoc committee comprised of one representative from each of the following entities: NMFS Northwest Region; NMFS Southwest Region; coastal treaty tribes; states of California, Oregon, Washington, and Idaho. Representatives for this ad hoc committee could be forwarded to the Council Chair for appointment consideration.
5. Working from the flow chart on Figure A.1 on page A-8 and Table A.2 on page A-10 of the Ecosystem Initiatives Appendix, the charge of the ad hoc committee would be to use this preliminary summary of select lower trophic level species in the CCE as an initial starting point to address the first four questions, and the following:
 - a. Build on the assessment, started by the EPDT, of the likelihood of fisheries developing to harvest those unmanaged species on the preliminary list—for example, consider whether these species are harvested elsewhere or whether markets exist for them; and
 - b. Brainstorm on whether there are general gear restrictions or prohibitions that could be used to restrict harvest of these unmanaged species; and
 - c. Develop recommendations for a proposed Council process for moving forward with Initiative 1 and identify next steps
 - d. Ad hoc committee would report back to the Council later this year with a more definitive timeline to be discussed under future Council agenda planning and workload (Agenda Item B.7)
6. As the Council moves forward with development and consideration of Amendment 24 to the Groundfish FMP, request the SSC Ecosystem Subcommittee consider how we might build upon this effort to move forward on Initiative 9 as another Council priority.

Moved by: Michele Culver Seconded by: Gway Kirchner

Motion carried unanimously