

PART II OF MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR 2011-2012 FISHERIES

This is the final step at this meeting in the process to adopt a range of 2011-2012 groundfish alternatives, rebuilding plans for at least two species (canary rockfish and Pacific ocean perch), and a new rebuilding plan for petrale sole, which will be fully analyzed in a Draft Environmental Impact Statement (DEIS). The adopted process and schedule for finalizing 2011-2012 alternatives and rebuilding plans calls for a preliminary DEIS to be distributed in the June briefing book for public review and used to base final Council decision-making at the June Council meeting.

The Council is scheduled to take incremental steps earlier in this meeting towards completion of this Agenda Item under I.4. The states, tribes, advisory bodies, and public are expected to have recommended alternatives and rebuilding plans to be analyzed in the DEIS. The objective of these alternatives is to meet, but not exceed the overfished species harvest levels contained within these alternatives and the preferred harvest levels for non-overfished species decided under Agenda Item I.2. The objective of the rebuilding plans is to take into account the status and biology of the stock while taking into consideration the needs of the fishing community. The Council is expected to give guidance to the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) and Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) on Wednesday, April 14 during Council action under Agenda Item I.4 for further refinement and analysis of proposed 2011-2012 alternatives and rebuilding plans.

The Council task under this agenda item is to adopt rebuilding plans and a refined range of 2011-2012 alternatives and, if possible, a tentative preferred alternative for formal analysis and public review.

Council Action:

- 1. Adopt preliminary preferred revised rebuilding plans for at least two overfished species (canary rockfish and Pacific ocean perch), including a rebuilding SPR harvest rate (basis for the ACLs) and target rebuilding time (T_{TARGET}).**
- 2. Adopt a preliminary preferred rebuilding plan for petrale sole, including a rebuilding SPR harvest rate, target rebuilding time (T_{TARGET}), and a rebuilding strategy.**
- 3. Adopt a preliminary range of refined alternatives including overfished species ACLs and management measures for 2011-2012 fisheries, and if possible, a preliminary preferred alternative for public review.**

Reference Materials:

None.

Agenda Order:

- a. Agenda Item Overview **Kelly Ames and John DeVore**
- b. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies and Management Entities
- c. Public Comment
- d. **Council Action:** Adopt a Refined Range of Alternatives including Overfished Species Annual Catch Limits and Management Measures and, if Possible, a Preferred Alternative for Public Review

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