

STATUS OF APPROVAL OF FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN

Situation: The Council submitted the *Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan* to the U.S. Secretary of Commerce for review in December 1998. The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) is expected to make an approval or disapproval decision by June 11, 1999. NMFS will report to the Council on this decision.

NMFS also issued proposed regulations to implement the plan in the *Federal Register* on May 25 (Attachment B.1.a.). The end of the public comment period on the regulations is July 9, 1999.

Council Action: None.

Reference Materials:

1. NMFS Proposed regulations implementing the *Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan* (Attachment B.1.a.).
2. Written Public Comments (Public Comment B.1.).

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