

GROUND FISH STOCK ASSESSMENT PRIORITIES FOR 2000

Situation: The Council's stock assessment and review procedures (Attachment G.4.a.) direct the Council to specify its stock assessment priorities in June of the preceding year to allow sufficient time to begin data gathering for the species to be assessed. Ms. Cyreis Schmitt, Stock Assessment Coordinator, has developed a proposed list of species for assessment in 2000 and proposed revisions to the stock assessment and review procedures (Supplemental Attachment G.4.b.).

Council Action: Discuss priorities for groundfish stock assessments in 1999. Give guidance to the stock assessment coordinator in identifying and securing agency commitment to participate in the 2000 stock assessments and reviews.

Reference Materials:

1. Groundfish Stock Assessment and Review Procedures (Attachment G.4.a.).
2. Proposed list of assessments for the year 2000 (Supplemental Attachment G.4.b.).

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