

REVIEW OF WEST COAST MARINE RESERVES EFFORTS

Situation: On the West Coast, a number of efforts have been initiated pertaining to the development of marine reserves. As the Council embarks on Phase II of its consideration of marine reserves (the development of specific marine reserve options), its activities will need to be coordinated with efforts undertaken by other entities with various jurisdictions. This coordination will be necessary whether the Council takes a lead role in the siting of marine reserves or implements fishery regulations in federal waters to establish marine reserves initiated at state or local levels.

Under this agenda item, staff will review current efforts to develop marine reserves on the West Coast. Discussion and guidance on Council involvement in the marine reserve process will occur under implementation of the groundfish strategic plan (Agendum C.9).

Council Action: Discussion.

Reference Materials:

- ✓ 1. Status of Efforts to Consider Marine Reserves on the West Coast (Supplemental Exhibit E.1.a, Agendum Overview). *Received 6-11-01*

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2. *Exhibit E.1.b, Supplemental GAP Report.*
3. *Exhibit E.1.c, Public Comment.*