

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON  
PLANNING FOR BYCATCH AND  $B_0$ /MSY WORKSHOPS

The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) and Northwest Fisheries Science Center (NWFSC) will organize a three-day bycatch workshop in the last week of January in Seattle, Washington. The objectives of this workshop are to review the methodological aspects of the bycatch model currently developed by Dr. Jim Hastie and how the new observer data will be applied in the model. The chair of the SSC Economics Subcommittee will chair the workshop and coordinate with NWFSC to develop the terms of reference. The panel will include representatives from the SSC, Groundfish Management Team, and Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, as well as independent experts.

Considering time constraints, the SSC recommends deferring the  $B_0$ /MSY workshop to an "off" year under the future multi-year management process.

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