

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON  
EXEMPTED FISHING PERMITS: UPDATE AND NEW PROPOSALS

Exempted fishing permits (EFPs) allow fishing activities that would otherwise be prohibited. The SSC notes that EFPs should be consistent with the goals and objectives of the Groundfish Strategic Plan. The Council has discussed the possibility of the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) developing guidelines for EFP applications. If the GMT develops guidelines for evaluating EFPs, the SSC is willing to help the GMT to define the scientific aspects of these guidelines.

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