

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL STATEMENT ON
UPDATE ON RECREATIONAL FISHERY INFORMATION NETWORK

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) received a report on changes being made to California's marine recreational fisheries sampling program.

In general, the GAP is pleased to see the program is being re-focused on collecting information from actual anglers, rather than relying on random telephone surveys and expanded responses which have led to serious questions about data validity, not to mention, huge sampling errors. We hope these changes will result in better and more timely information being made available for fisheries management.

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