

## CURRENT HABITAT ISSUES

The Habitat Committee (HC) met on Tuesday, October 25, 2005, to develop recommendations on the following Council agenda items:

- Agenda Item D.2 Alternatives Analysis for Krill Management
- Agenda Item I.1 Channel Islands National Marine Sanctuary
- Agenda Item H.7 Amendment 19 (Essential Fish Habitat)

In addition, the HC discussed (1) a response letter to the Department of Interior regarding the Council's April 25, 2005 letter on the effects of Klamath River flows on salmon essential fish habitat (EFH), and (2) a review of South Atlantic Fishery Management Council's document, "Policies for the Protection and Restoration of Essential Fish Habitats from Energy Exploration, Development Transportation and Hydropower Re-Licensing" (Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 1). The Habitat Committee also heard a presentation by Mr. Scott Foott of U.S. Fish and Wildlife Service on disease sampling in the Klamath River basin.

### **Council Action:**

**Consider comments and recommendations developed by the HC at its October meeting.**

### **Reference Materials:**

1. Agenda Item F.1, Attachment 1: *Policies for the Protection and Restoration of Essential Fish Habitats from Energy Exploration, Development Transportation and Hydropower Re-Licensing* (South Atlantic Fishery Management Council).

### **Agenda Order:**

- a. Agenda Item Overview
- b. Report of the HC
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. **Council Action:** Consider HC Recommendations

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