

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON
GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT

National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) Northwest Region will briefly report on recent regulatory developments relevant to groundfish fisheries and issues of interest to the Council.

NMFS Northwest Fisheries Science Center will also briefly report on groundfish-related science and research activities.

Council Task:

Discussion.

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item H.1.a, Attachment 1: Proposed Rule to Implement Additional Permit Stacking Regulations for the Limited Entry Fixed Gear Sablefish Fleet (Amendment 14, Second Rule Set).
2. Agenda Item H.1.a, Attachment 2: Letter of October 12, 2005 to Mr. Hansen from Dr. Freese regarding September inseason management recommendations.
3. Agenda Item H.1.a, Supplemental Attachment 3: Informational Report on a Program to Monitor a Maximized Retention Program in the Shore-Based Whiting Fishery (Draft Environmental Assessment Chapters 1-3).

Agenda Order:

- a. Regulatory Activities
- b. Science Center Activities
- c. Reports and Comments of Advisory Bodies
- d. Public Comment
- e. Council Discussion

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