

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON PROPOSED
PROTOCOL FOR REVIEWING EFPS FOR HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES

The Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) reviewed the proposed interim and final protocols for reviewing highly migratory species exempted fishing permits (EFPs) and recommends they be accepted as presented by in Agenda Item J.2.a, Attachments 1 and 2.

The HMSAS also recommends that the Longline EFP submitted by Pete Dupuy in Agenda Item J.2.a, Supplemental Attachment 2, be adopted for public review. The HMSAS members agreed to provide questions or comments to the applicant and other members by mid-January to provide adequate time for the applicant to develop responses for discussion at the HMSAS meeting in March 2006. The HMSAS may request a phone conference call prior to the March meeting depending on the volume and nature of comments submitted on the Longline EFP.

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