

HABITAT COMMITTEE REPORT ON  
REVIEW OF OREGON OCEAN POLICY ADVISORY COUNCIL (OPAC) REPORT

The Habitat Committee (HC) discussed the OPAC report and possible Council comments on the report. The HC felt that the Council would be best served by moving forward with ecosystem-based fisheries management, which may guide the Council more effectively in dealing with future proposals that affect fishing in Oregon or elsewhere. An ecosystem-based fishery management approach may offer the Council more control in addressing controversies such as regulatory authority over fishing in the water column (as noted by Mr. Frank Warrens on page 8 of the OPAC report), and non-fishing impacts such as liquefied natural gas, alternative energy proposals, etc.

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