

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
COP FOR REVIEWING AND INCORPORATING PROPOSED CHANGES TO
GROUND FISH ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT (EFH)

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) considered Agenda Item B.4.a, Attachment 1.

The GAP agrees with the document as presented. The panel members did wish to provide comments regarding emphasis. It is recommended that two areas receive primary focus.

1. The makeup of the EFH Oversight Committee with regard to fishing sectors be represented. It is felt that the committee make up should remain flexible in order to provide representation for any sector potentially affected by any given proposal.
2. Input from affected fishermen, communities and other directly affected parties shall be consulted for their input to any proposed area closures or other restrictions involving fishing or harvest.

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