

ENFORCEMENT CONSULTANTS REPORT ON TRACKING AND MONITORING FOR
TRAWL RATIONALIZATION PROGRAM

The Enforcement Consultants (EC) has evaluated Agenda Item F.6.b, Supplemental Tracking and Monitoring Draft Revisions, March 2008, Draft Revisions to Tracking and Monitoring Program Alternatives and have the following comments.

The EC believes Alternatives 1 and 2, as proposed meet the objectives stated on page 1 and endorses moving these alternatives forward for analysis.

The EC recommends changing one of The Objective of Tracking and Monitoring Program.

”For State and Federal enforcement agreements that allow the exchange of relevant data to ensure compliance with IQ quotas”

changed to read

“For State and Federal enforcement officers to have access to all data relating to IQ quotas for enforcement purposes.”

The EC wants to ensure State enforcement officers have the same access to all confidential individual quota (IQ) information as Federal enforcement officers. All three states have confidentiality agreements with NOAA already in place or in the works through the Joint Enforcement Agreement program.

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