DRAFT Possible Regulation Amendment Process for Consideration of Electronic Monitoring

Time	**Process Considerations**	**Comments**
Apr 2013	• Consider results of 2012 PSMFC EM study • Consider results of EM workshop and recommendations • Provide comment on 2013 PSFMC EM study design • Adopt regulatory process plan • Adopt goals and objectives. • Provide guidance on development of scoping package. • Request *special studies*, as needed.	Consider whether any regulatory changes should be pursued, if the NMFS/PSMFC field project demonstrates potential feasibility (for just Whiting catcher vessels?)
Spring 2013	• NMFS/PSMFC finalize 2013 study design	
June 2013	• Full scoping session on EM.	
Summer 2013	• Execute at-sea and shoreside field studies	
Sept 2013	• Review results from *special studies* and provide guidance on alternative development (if necessary)	
Nov 2013	• Consider initial results of NMFS/PSFMC 2013 field season • Adopt alternatives for analysis	
June 2014	• Consider full analysis of alternative • Select preliminary preferred alternative	
Sept 2014	• Select final preferred alternative	

Sept 2014 through 2015	• Secretarial approval process and implementation, including
	  ○ Regulation drafting and paperwork reduction act submissions
	  ○ Securing contracts for video review
	  ○ Commercial installation and testing
	  ○ Observer program adjustments	