# **Groundfish Workload Priorities**

# **2016 ACTIVE PROJECTS<sup>a/</sup>**

#### **EFH + RCA Modifications ESA Salmon Consultation**

Trawl Gear Regs Update I<sup>d/</sup>

Mid-water Sport Fishery

### 17-18 Spex and New MM<sup>b/</sup> **5-Year Trawl Rationalization Review**<sup>c/</sup>

Vessel Movement Monitoring

**Rebuilding Revision Rules Update** 

## **PROJECTS POSTPONED TO 2017**

Stock Complexes (36)<sup>c/</sup> Trawl Records Retention (42) Halibut Retention S. of Pt. Chehalis (58) Transfer of Rockfish from IFQ to MS  $(65)^{c/}$ Comm. Descending Device Rates (63) 60 Mile Bank Closure Long-term Non-Whiting Surplus Carryover Provision (49)

Rougheye Rockfish GCAs (37) Discard Credit Lingcod & Sablefish (53) 50 fm Depth Restriction (59) Seabird Avoidance Devices (41) RCA adjustments for Pot Vessels (75) Fishing in More Than One IFQ Area

EFP for Year Round Mid-water Trawl

a/ **Bolded** items are considered core MSA responsibility tasks.

b/ The 2017-2018 Spex and new Management Measures includes stock complexes (36), transfer of rockfish from IFQ to MS (65), EC species (61) and the following items from I9a, Supplemental GMT Report 5, November 2015: RCA changes in Calif (20), automatic inseason action for Calif. (21), at-sea trawl buyback movement (22), canary retention in fixed gear fisheries (23), Yelloweye RCAs in Calif (24), Cowcod Cons. Area modifications and hotspots (25), flatfish retention in closed areas for Oregon recreational (26), and The Nature Conservancy EFP.

c/ Consideration of the following has been postponed until after the 5-Year Trawl Rationalization Review: QS/QP Control Rule - Safe Harbor for Risk Pools (33); and Resolve Long-term Whiting Surplus Carryover Provision (34). d/ Compl;eted March 2016 except for management area boundry issue.

e/ See Agenda Item J.1.a, Attachment 1, June 2014 for a complete description of each measure.

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**Litigation Response** 

**Inseason Management** 

EM Whiting and Fixed Gear Regulations

EM for Bottom Trawl & Non-Whiting Mid-water Fisheries

Limited Entry Fixed Gear Sablefish Issues

Nearshore Management Issues

## **UNSCHEDULED PROJECTS**<sup>e/</sup>

Sablefish Conversion Factors (38) First Receiver Site Licenses (54) Ecosystem Component Species (61)<sup>c/</sup> Intersector Transfer OF'd Species. (71) Ecosystem Port Sampling Initiative White Paper and Proposal (Mr 2015 CM) Carryover when Management Units Change (50) Trawl Gear Regs Update II

Permit Size Endorsements (40) Adaptive Management Program (55) Multi-Year Average Catch Policy (62) Flatfish Gear Restrictions in CA (57) Rebuilding Revision Rules<sup>f/</sup> Year Round Whiting and 5% Cap Elim. (44) Trading of Previous Year Quota Pounds (51) EFP for Whiting Processing South of 42°

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