

SCIENTIFIC AND STATISTICAL COMMITTEE REPORT ON  
FINAL ACTION TO ADOPT MANAGEMENT MEASURES FOR 2017-2018 FISHERIES

The Scientific and Statistical (SSC) reviewed the proposed changes to Chapter 4 of the Groundfish Fishery Management Plan (highlighted in Agenda Item G.4, Attachment 6). Mr. John DeVore was present to answer questions regarding the proposed changes. No major issues were identified with those changes. A number of minor changes were suggested by the SSC, including the following:

- The default approach to project future recruitments in rebuilding analyses is to draw them off of the stock-recruitment curve (as opposed to using recent average recruitments, as currently stated in the FMP).
- Although options for 25% and 50% buffers remain in the FMP, since implementation of Amendment 23, only the P\* approach has been used.

The SSC provided Council Staff with other clarifying edits to Chapter 4.

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