

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON REVIEW OF  
FISHERY ECOSYSTEM PLAN COORDINATED ECOSYSTEM INDICATOR REVIEW  
INITIATIVE

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) addressed the Council's request to evaluate specific ecosystem indicators relevant to the CPS Fishery Management Plan (FMP). The CPSMT acknowledges and appreciates the Ecosystem Workgroup's efforts on the California Current Ecosystem Status Report. The CPSMT identified the following near-term and long-term priorities for information and analyses for future annual ecosystem status reports:

- In the Human Activities chapter, the CPSMT suggests an additional figure that shows Coastal pelagic species with market squid removed, similar to the figure that provides Groundfish landings with no Pacific hake. As market squid landings are often much higher than finfish landings, this figure would provide a view of finfish landings over time.
- In the Regional Forage Availability section, provide clearer identification of life stages of species depicted in each of the figures; this would be useful to help delineate between both potential recruits to the population versus adults as well as type of forage available.
- Include maps generally depicting survey locations along with the figures for all surveys. For example, supplementary Figures F1 and F2 could be enhanced if it were made clear where these surveys were conducted.