

GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2017
PACIFIC WHITING FISHERY UNDER THE U.S./CANADA AGREEMENT

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) was briefed about the 2017 Total Allowable Catch (TAC) determination by the U.S./Canada Whiting Agreement Joint Management Committee (JMC). The JMC process addressed issues relevant to setting the 2017 TAC and reached a consensus recommendation that was forwarded to the parties for implementation. The GAP is pleased that once again, the JMC provided a consensus recommendation.

Council action is required to establish a set-aside amount for incidental catches of whiting in pink shrimp and other, non-directed fisheries and research surveys. The GAP recommends a 2017 set-aside amount of 1,500 metric tons. This is consistent with the recommendation in the [GMT Report](#) (Agenda Item I.4.b, GMT Report, March 2017).

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