## **Groundfish Workload Priorities**

## 2017 ACTIVE PROJECTS<sup>a/, b/</sup>

Litigation Response (10)	ESA Salmon Consultation (20)	EFH + RCA Modifications (32)	5-Year Trawl Rationalization and Intersector Allocation Review <sup>c/</sup> (34)
Inseason Management (27)	2019-2020 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Mgt. Measures	Sablefish/Lingcod IFQ Discard Credit (63) <sup>d/</sup>	Mid-Bienium ACL Adj. and Rebuilding- Harvest Rate Adj. (71)
Year-Round Coastwide Nonwhiting Midwater Trawl Fishery EFP (57, 58, 59)	Stock Assessment & Projection Methods Review (19)	Multi year Average Catch Policy (47) Long- term Non Whiting Surplus Carryover- Provision (60)	California 125fm RCA Line Update
Trawl Gear Modification Exempted Fishing Permit	EM Halibut Discard Mortality Rate and Third Party Review	Flexibility in ACL Management Response  NS1G Carryover Provision	Electronic Ticket Reporting Timeframe Requirements

## PROJECTS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 2018 a/

**TBD** 

## UNSCHEDULED PROJECTS a/

Nearshore Management Issues (37)
Rebuilding Revision Rules (43)
Stock Complexes (44)
Ecosystem Port Sampling Initiative White Paper and Proposal (45)

Ecosystem Component Species (46) 60 Mile Bank RCA Lines (48) Rougheye Rockfish GCAs (49) Sablefish Conversion Factors (50)

Permit Size Endorsements (51) Seabird Avoidance Devices, Vessels <55 feet (52) RCA adjustments for Pot Vessels (53)

Carryover when Management Units Change (61)

Trading of Previous Year Quota Pounds (62)

Commercial Discard Survival Rates (66)

Recreational Discard Survival Rates (69)/

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50 fm Depth Restriction (70)
Allow Between Sector Trading of Quota Pounds
(all quota species except whiting) (54, 55)
LE Fixed Gear Sablefish Issues (38)

a/ Numbers in parentheses reference items identified via Omnibus Workload Planning. See Agenda Item G.6.a, Attachment 2, June 2016 for a complete description of each measure. b/ **Bolded** items are considered core MSA responsibility tasks. Shaded items are projects planned for work in 2017 pending funding.

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d/ At the September 2016 meeting, the Council adopted for public review the matters in Agenda Item F.2.a, Supplemental SSC Report and Agenda Item F.2.a, Supplemental GMT Report, which include an exploration of #63 Sablefish and Lingcod Discard Mortality Rates (completed March 2017) and #66 Commercial Discard Mortality Rates (limited exploration).