## **Groundfish Workload Priorities**

## 2017-2018 ACTIVE PROJECTS<sup>a/, b/</sup>

Litigation Response (10)	ESA Salmon & Seabird Consultation (20)	EFH + RCA Modifications (32)	Inseason Management (27)
5-Year Trawl Rationalization Review and Follow-On Actions (TBD) <sup>c/</sup> (34)	2019-2020 Biennial Harvest Specifications and Mgt. Measures	Stock Assessment and Assessment Methodology Review Planning	Mid-Bienium ACL Adj. (71)
Coastwide Nonwhiting Midwater Trawl EFP; Including Gear Modification EFP (57,58,59)	EM Halibut Discard Mortality Rate and Third Party Review	Flexibility in ACL Management Response <sup>d/</sup>	Cost Recovery Update
Off-Year Science Improvements	Whiting Treaty Implementation & Set-aside	Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs) for 2019-2020	Stock Assessment & Projection Methods Review (19) <sup>e/</sup>

## PROJECTS TENTATIVELY SCHEDULED FOR 2019 a/

Stock Assessment Review

## UNSCHEDULED PROJECTS a/

Nearshore Management Issues (37) Ecosystem
Rebuilding Revision Rules (43) 60 Mile
Stock Complexes (44) Roughe
Ecosystem Port Sampling Initiative - Sablefish
White Paper and Proposal (45) Permit

Initial Stock Assessment Plan & TORs

Ecosystem Component Species (46)
60 Mile Bank RCA Lines (48)
Rougheye Rockfish GCAs (49)
Sablefish Conversion Factors (50)
Permit Size Endorsements (51)
(52)

RCA adjustments for Pot Vessels (53)

Carryover when Management Units Change (61)

Trading of Previous Year Quota Pounds (62)

Recreational Discard Survival Rates (69)/

Lingcod S. of 40°10' Trawl/Non-Trawl Allocation

Halibut Retention S. of Pt. Chehalis (68)
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 pending funding.

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 (40) and develop criteria for distributing AMP QP (42).

d/ Includes a multi-year approach for determining overfishing and ABC/ACL carryover.

e/ 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. All items in the GMT report, except a projection method for yelloweye rockfish, have been analyzed, reviewed, and adopted by the Council for use in management. The GMT is expected to recommend a process for the yelloweye rockfish projection method at the September 2017 Council meeting.