## FUTURE WORKLOAD PLANNING: GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT TEAM PARTICIPATION ON THE GEAR REGULATIONS PACKAGE ANALYSIS

Since April, members of the Groundfish Management Team (GMT) have been working with Mr. Dan Erickson, National Marine Fisheries Service contractor, on analyses to inform the trawl gear regulations package Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). To date, members of the GMT have provided new analyses regarding spatial patterns of eulachon bycatch and the use of multiple trawl gear types by vessels. These are in addition to previous analyses that are being utilized (e.g., influence of selective flatfish trawls). These analyses were presented to the entire GMT on our August 2 webinar. Members of the GMT may be providing additional information to inform the EIS in the coming months.

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