

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT
ROCKFISH CONSERVATION AREA AMENDMENT, INFORMATIONAL UPDATE

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) received an overview of this agenda item from Mr. Kerry Griffin and offers the following comments.

The GAP believes that final action should be taken on this item as soon as possible. Action is tentatively scheduled for April 2018. The GAP does not want action to slip beyond that date. In particular, the GAP believes that reducing or eliminating the rockfish conservation areas would help improve efficiency and attainment, and ultimately help improve overall economic outcomes for the catch share program.

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