Omnibus Workload Planning Process: Background

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Overview

• Background: Process Revision
• Council Operating Procedure 9
• Omnibus
• Council Action
Background:
Groundfish Management Process Revision

- 2005: Change from annual to biennial management
- 2010: Identified biennial process needed revision
- Process Improvements Committee (PIC) convened
  - Develop optimal management activities cycle
  - Explore long-term solutions to groundfish management process
- PIC recommendations
  - Streamline workload via dividing management activity process
  - Define what are new and routine management measures
  - Create a better project prioritization process
Council Operating Procedure (COP) 9
Management Activity Cycle: Groundfish

• Designed for January implementation of biennial harvest specifications
• Divides Council groundfish management activity timeline
  • On-year for routine & critical new management measures
  • Off-year for other new management measures
• Includes Omnibus process
COP 9 Biennial Management Activity Cycle

“On” Year Routine & Critical New Management Measures

“Off-year” Work on New Management Measures

Off-year work may continue into on-year
Off-Year Management Activities

- FPA Management Measures
- Final Action EFPs
- Omnibus Prioritization Process

Off-year Priority Projects

- Pacific Whiting Management Measures
  Recommendations

• Off-year Priorities Projects

Off-year prioritized work completed (or continued as appropriate)

On-year Process Begins
It is a ROUTINE measure.

Has it been:
- Previously analyzed?
- Defined in regulation?

It is a ROUTINE measure.

It is a NEW measure.

Is it necessary for:
- ACL management, protected species, and/or habitat issues?

On-year: Implement in SPEX process (or inseason)

Limited Analysis

Detailed Analysis

Off-Year: Measure forwarded for prioritization

Omnibus

On or Off-Year?
Omnibus Prioritization Process

• **Opportunity for Council:**
  • Prioritize new groundfish issues for investigation
  • Adopt schedule for Council decision process
  • Manage workload, in the context of all groundfish related work
Previous Omnibus Considerations

### Actions In Implementation Phase
- 19-20 Spex
- Other Past Council Actions to be Implemented
- Law Suits
- Ongoing EFP Work

### Existing PFMC Commitment
- Inseason Mgmt
- Pacific Halibut CSP & Regs
- EFH Review and RCAs
- ESA Issues
- Ecosystem Issues (FEP & CA Current)
- Harvest Policy Deliberations
- Stock Assess Meth & Work
- Whiting Spex & Set Asides
- Completion of Past New Mgmt Measure Priorities: Cost Recovery, EM, etc.

### Sectors Needs
- LE Fixed Gear
- Trawl – Shore IFQ
- Trawl – MS Co-op
- Trawl – CP Co-op
- Open Access
- Recreational
- Tribal

### OMNIBUS
COP 9
Biennial Management Activity Cycle

“On” Year

“Off-year”

Omnibus
Council Action:

• Discuss omnibus planning process in the context of existing workload commitments, and provide guidance on next steps.

Potential questions to consider
• Is omnibus prioritization working?
• Are refinements needed?
• What are the workload concerns?
• How does Council want to proceed for the coming cycle?
QUESTIONS?
On-year Management Activities

- **JUNE**: Complete Off-year or continue as appropriate
  - On-year Process Begins
- **SEPT**: Modeling methods, stock assessments, OFLs... adopted
  - Council provides guidance on SPEX development measures
- **NOV**: Rebuilding analyses, stock assessments, preliminary ACLs, etc. adopted
  - 2-year allocations adopted
  - Final range of management measures for SPEX analysis adopted
- **MARCH**: Harvest Specifications
  - Management measures can be added for analysis
- **APRIL**: Management Measures
  - Omnibus Prioritization Process
- **JUNE**: Complete Off-year or continue as appropriate
  - On-year Process Begins

**Timeline**
- JUNE
- SEPT
- NOV
- MARCH
- APRIL
- JUNE