

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON GROUND FISH  
RULEMAKINGS AND OTHER ACTIVITIES

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) provides the attached spreadsheet to update the Pacific Fishery Management Council and the public on the current rulemakings and activities underway by the NMFS' Groundfish and Permits branches.

Action	Category	Council Staff	Primary NMFS Staff	PPA	FPA	PR	FR	Target implementation	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
2021-22 groundfish harvest specifications and management measures	Harvest specifications	DeVore/Phillips	Palmigiano	Sep-19, Nov-19	Nov-19, Jun-20	Sep-20	Dec-20	Jan 1-2021									PPA		PPA/FPA	
2019 whiting specifications & Tribal allocation*		N/A	Ushio			Mar-19	May-19	May 15-2019			PR		FR							
2019 halibut catch sharing plan*		Ehlke	Kent/Blair			Mar-19	Apr-19	May 1-2019			PR	FR								
Salmon bycatch mitigation measures*	ESA obligations	Phillips	B. Hooper	Jun-19	Sep-19	Jan-20	Apr-20	May 1-2020				ROA		PPA			FPA			
Seabird streamer line requirement		Dahl	Kent	Apr-19	Jun-19	Sep-19	Dec-19	Jan 1-2020				PPA		FPA			PR			FR
Humpback whale ESA consultation*		N/A	TBD	TBD																
ESA workgroup*		Phillips	B. Hooper	Late April/early May; Council report at June meeting																
IPHC process administration	Treaty obligations	N/A	Kent/Blair				ongoing													
Whiting treaty administration		N/A	Ushio				ongoing													
Inseason management of groundfish fishery	Inseason management	Phillips	Palmigiano				ongoing				FRN	FRN		FRN			FRN		FRN	
Inseason management of halibut fishery		Ehlke	Blair				ongoing													
Groundfish Management Team participation		Phillips	Palmigiano & Harley				ongoing													
Trawl logbooks**	Other	N/A	Kent			Mar-19	Jun-19	Jul 1-2019			PR		FR							
Amendment 28: EFH/RCA*		Griffin	Hanshew		Apr-18	Jul-19	Nov-19	Jan 1-2020							PR				FR	
VMM rule*		Wiedoff	Penna			May-19	Aug-19	Jan 1-2020					PR			FR				
Trawl Rationalization Follow-on Actions		Seger	Sayre	Sep-18	Nov-18	May-19	Sep-19	Jan 1-2020					PR				FR			
Amendment 26: Blackgill Rockfish Reallocation		DeVore	B. Hooper			May-19	Sep-19	Jan 1-2020					PR				FR			
Sablefish Management and Trawl Allocation Committee (SaMTAAC)**		Seger	Ames/Sayre	TBD									MTG							
Electronic monitoring non-whiting midwater and bottom trawl		Wiedoff	M. Hooper/Palmigiano			Dec-18	Mar-19	Aug 1-2019			FR									
2019 Non-trawl EFP monitoring	Research	Seger	Massey				ongoing													
2019 Trawl EFPs monitoring		Seger	Massey				ongoing													
Scientific research permitting and letters of authorization		N/A	Massey				ongoing													

\*Timelines for actions with one asterik were adjusted due to the partial government shutdown.

\*\*Actions with two asteriks were added since the last time NMFS presented this spreadsheet in November 2018