IMPLEMENTATION OF THE 2019 PACIFIC WHITING FISHERY UNDER THE U.S./CANADA AGREEMENT

A new stock assessment for Pacific whiting has been conducted and, by the start of this Council agenda item, will be reviewed, and possibly recommended for decision-making in the international whiting treaty process (the assessment review is scheduled for February 19-22, 2019). The Joint Management Committee (JMC) will meet March 4-5, 2019 to formalize their recommendations on the 2019 coastwide total allowable catch for Pacific whiting. Mr. Phil Anderson or Mr. Frank Lockhart will brief the Council on the JMC’s recommendations.

The Council should consider advisory body and public comment before deciding on any actions necessary regarding the 2019 U.S. annual catch limit for Pacific whiting and other associated issues.

Council Action:

1. Consider any other necessary action for implementation of the 2019 Pacific whiting fishery.

Reference Materials:

None.

Agenda Order:

G.6 Implementation of the 2019 Pacific Whiting Fishery Under the U.S./Canada Agreement

John DeVore

a. Joint Management Committee Report

Frank Lockhart/Phil Anderson

b. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies

c. Public Comment

d. Council Action: Consider Necessary Actions for Implementing the 2019 Pacific Whiting Fishery