ELECTRONIC MONITORING: IMPLEMENTATION UPDATE

During the March 2019 Council meeting, the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) West Coast Region (WCR) announced a delay in the implementation of the electronic monitoring program for groundfish catch share fisheries. NMFS will provide an update regarding plans for rulemaking, the process for implementation of the program, and potential changes to the final rule for the midwater trawl whiting and fixed gear catch share fisheries. NMFS will also provide an update regarding the Regional Electronic Technology Implementation Plan.

Council Action:

Discussion and Guidance on Program Implementation and Development.

Reference Materials:

1. If Received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

G.6 Electronic Monitoring: Implementation Update

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- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action**: Review Progress on Program Implementation Including Regulatory Activities and Provide Guidance on Future Program Development

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