

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL  
MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) presented the Council with several options for revising the management categories in the CPS Fishery Management Plan (Agenda Item F.4.a, CPSMT Report 1). The Council chose to remove the management categories and retain the current harvest management policies and approaches for each individual species, which is consistent with Option 3. The CPSMT Report 1 indicated that Option 3 would take one year to prepare, with three additional months (15 total months) necessary for the housekeeping work requested by the CPSMT and approved by the Council. This timeframe is an estimate. The CPSMT may be able to have a draft available for review as early as the June 2020 Council meeting. However, it is possible that additional time will be required. It is also unclear what workload will be entailed with a rebuilding plan for Pacific sardine. The CPSMT will provide an update on workload planning at the November 2019 meeting.

The California Department of Fish and Wildlife - California Wetfish Producers Association aerial CPS survey may be considered as part of the nearshore estimation methodologies agenda item of the workshop tentatively scheduled for early October (Agenda Item D.10.a, Supplemental SSC Report 1). The CPSMT supports the inclusion of the survey in the workshop and the potential to facilitate the readiness of these data as part of the discussion for the 2020 sardine assessment review panel meeting.

PFMC  
06/25/19