REVIEW OF MANAGEMENT CATEGORIES

At its November 2018 meeting, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) stated its intent to consider a process to remove the Active and Monitored Coastal Pelagic Species (CPS) management categories, and consider characterizing CPS management unit species as being 'in the fishery,' 'ecosystem component,' or 'prohibited.' The Council directed the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) to develop a process and timeline, to provide feedback on a draft purpose and need statement, and to develop options for Council consideration, should the Council opt to move forward with amending the current description of CPS FMP management categories.

At this meeting the Council will consider options for amending CPS Fishery Management Plan management categories, described in Agenda Item F.4.a, CPSMT Report 1, and provide guidance on whether and how to proceed.

Council Action:

- **1.** Consider options for a process to revise or remove management categories for CPS stocks.
- 2. Consider process, timeline, and workload associated with revising or removing management categories.
- **3.** Provide guidance as necessary.

Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item F.4.a, CPSMT Report 1.
- 2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

F.4 Review of Management Categories

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- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. **Council Action:** Review Existing Management Categories, the Draft Purpose and Need Statement, a Proposed Process and Timeline, and the Workload Associated with Revising Management Categories

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