GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT

In March 2019, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) adopted the Groundfish Management Team's (GMT) proposed groundfish workload prioritization process. Attachment 1 shows our workload matrix to help the Council better understand the progress on ongoing and scheduled projects, in context with the current work of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) as shown under Agenda Item I.1.a. The shaded blocks represent the GMT's anticipated timeline for direct involvement with the issue (e.g., through the Council's final action), noting that some GMT members may have additional workload to assist NMFS and Council staff in developing the final regulatory documents. Attachment 2 shows the most recent groundfish workload prioritization list. Progress has not changed since the April Council meeting.

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Attachment 1: GMT Workload Matrix

Action	Catamami	CMT I and Amelium(a)	2019								2020									2021								
Action	Category	GMT Lead Analyst(s)	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oc	t No	v De	c Ja	lan F	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	
2021-2022 Groundfish Harvest Specifications		All																					***					
2021-2022 Groundfish Management Measures		All																					***					
Inseason Monitoring and Management	2021-2022 SPEX	2021-2022 SPEX	All																									
P* Considerations and Phased in ABC			Patrick, Abby																									
Stock Assessment Updates and Panels		Jessi, Patrick, Mel																										
2021-2022 EFP Applications		Heather, Lynn																					***					
ESA Salmon Mitigation Measures		Patrick, Jessi, Karen													***													
ESA Seabird Mitigation Measures	ESA	Caroline, Lynn								***	t i																	
Non-Salmon ESA workgroup		Caroline, Patrick																										
Sablefish Management and Trawl Allocation Committee (SAMTAAC)	Individual Items	Jessi, Patrick, Abby, Mel																										
Non-Trawl RCA Adjustments (Including CCA Revisions)		Patrick, Mel, Jessi, Caroline																										
A-21 Trawl/Non-Trawl Allocations	Council Identified Priorities	Patrick, Mel, Jessi TBD																										
Mothership Sector Utilization		Jessi, Patrick, Abby TBD																										
Emley Platt EFP into Regulation	Caroline, Mel TBD																											
Ecosystem Items	Ecosystem	Andrew, Heather																										
Climate and Communities	Loosystem	TBD																										
Halibut CSP Process	Halibut	Heather, Lynn, Caroline																										
Directed Commercial Halibut Fishery	Hanbut	Heather, Lynn, Jessi																										

*** notes when regulations are expected to be final

Item #	Sector	Short Title	Category	Analytical Workload (H, M, L)	Primary Analysts	Progress to Date		
1	Trawl, Non- Trawl	Clarify Catch Accounting Rules for Amendment 21	Catch Accounting	L	Council/ NMFS staff	None		
2	Trawl IFQ	Removal of Selective Flatfish Trawl (SFFT) requirement between 40° 10' and 42° N. lat	Gear	Unknown	NMFS	Ongoing EFP (Year 2 of 3 needed per Salmon ITS)		
3	LE FG	LEFG Permit Price Reporting	Permitting	L (if any)	NWFSC	None		
4	Trawl, Non- Trawl, Rec	Create 60-Mile Bank RCA Lines	Area Management	М	CDFW staff	None		
5	Trawl, Non- Trawl	New Dressed to Round Conversion Factors for Sablefish	Catch Accounting	L	Patrick/ Jessi	Preliminary discussions held at PacFIN meeting		
6	Trawl, Non- Trawl	Non-Trawl RCA Modifications	Area Management	Н	Patrick/ Jessi/ Mel	None		
7	Trawl IFQ	Remove Certain Time and Area-Management Restrictions for Midwater Trawl Gear Targeting Nonwhiting	Area Management	Н	NMFS staff/ Patrick/ Jessi	Ongoing EFP (Year 2 of 3 needed per Salmon ITS)		
8	Trawl IFQ	Carryover when Management Units Change	Catch Accounting	М	NMFS/ Council staff	None		
9	Rec	Discard Mortality Rates for the Recreational Fisheries	Catch Accounting	М	Heather, Lynn, Caroline, Patrick	Research ongoing		
10	IFQ	Gear Switching and Trawl Sablefish Area Management	Allocation	Very H	NMFS/ Council staff/ Jessi/ Patrick/ Mel	Ongoing		
11	IFQ	Increasing IFQ Carryover from 10 Percent	Harvest Specifications	No change from current	Jessi	None		
12	IFQ	Aggregate Non-whiting QS Control Limits and Individual Species Weighting	Accumulation Limits	М	NWFSC / Council Staff	Pending research		
13	Trawl, Non- Trawl	Trawl/Nontrawl Amendment 21 Allocations	Allocation	M/H	depends on species chosen	Intersector Allocation Review completed in June 2017		
14	MS	Mothership Sector Utilization	Accumulation Limits	M/H	Jessi/ Patrick/ NMFS/ Council staff	None		
15	Fixed Gear	Moving Emley/Platt EFP into Regulations	Gear	М	Mel/ Caroline	Ongoing EFP		
16	All	Sablefish Harvest Specification Change- Managing with ACTs	Allocation	L	Jessi/Patrick/NMFS/Council staff	Preliminary scoping		
17	Rec	Permitting Commercial Sale of Recreational Fish Waste	Permitting	None	NMFS/EC staff	None		

Attachment 2: Groundfish Workload Prioritization List