

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) would appreciate the Council's consideration and action to include the following items:

As part of the Fall 2019 central subpopulation of northern anchovy workshop that the Council requested in April 2019, we request inclusion of follow-up to the California Department of Fish and Wildlife/California Wetfish Producers Association (CWPA) aerial survey methodology review that occurred in April 2017. This follow-up should include the bias adjustments for aerial survey spotter vs. point sets, variance estimates for minimum estimates of abundance for direct observations, and methods for expansion of estimates to unsampled areas for Pacific sardine from the aerial survey. The intent is to refine the method for inclusion in the sardine stock assessment.

Inclusion of the sardine estimates in the nearshore workshop is essential to provide necessary review of the methods prior to use in the assessment. Having the methods reviewed at the nearshore workshop will provide time for any needed refinements and help meet the bar of methodology review indicated as necessary in the aerial survey review.

With respect to workload planning for the September meeting, we would greatly appreciate consideration of the recommendations from the CPSAS under Agenda Item B.1 to be included on the meeting agenda.

Thank you for your consideration.

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