## GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON COMMERCIAL FISHERY TRANSITION PLANNING

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) received an overview of this agenda item from Council Staff Officer Robin Ehlke and International Pacific Halibut Commission Assistant Director Steve Keith.

The GAP supports all three options as outlined in <u>NMFS Report 1</u>. However, the GAP suggests having an optional paper permit that may make it easier for enforcement to check the accuracy of permitted vessels and also easier for first receivers, especially those in remote areas with intermittent internet connections, to verify vessels landing halibut are indeed permitted vessels.

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