BIENNIAL HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS FOR 2021-2022 FISHERIES – FINAL ACTION

In September and November 2019, the Council adopted preliminary preferred and alternative 2021 and 2022 harvest specifications (overfishing limits [OFLs], acceptable biological catches [ABCs]), and annual catch limits [ACLs]) for the actively-managed groundfish stocks and stock complexes. Final preferred harvest specifications are to be decided under this agenda item. In March, the Council also received a briefing (Agenda Item H.4.a, Supplemental GMT Presentation 1) on selected analyses and predicted effects of alternative ACLs to inform decision-making under this agenda item. Materials informing this decision are provided in the excerpted sections of Chapters 2 and 4 in the draft Environmental Assessment pertaining to alternative harvest specifications and associated impact analyses (Attachment 1).

The Council will receive recommendations from Council advisory bodies (state, Federal, and tribal agencies) and the public to aid in making these decisions.

Council Action:

Adopt final preferred alternative 2021 and 2022 harvest specifications for groundfish stocks and stock complexes.

Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item G.4, Attachment 1: Excerpted Sections of the Pacific Coast Groundfish Fishery 2021-2022 Harvest Specifications and Management Measures Draft Environmental Assessment.
- 2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

- G.4 Biennial Harvest Specifications for 2021-2022 Fisheries Final Action John DeVore
 - a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action**: Adopt Final Preferred Harvest Specifications for 2021-2022 Fisheries

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