

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON  
RECENTLY PUBLISHED RULEMAKINGS & WORKLOAD

**Amendment 29; 2021-2022 Groundfish Harvest Specifications and Management Measures**

- [Final Rule](#) published on December 11, 2020
- [Correction Notice](#) published on December 31, 2020, Effective January 1, 2021
- [Compliance guide](#) explaining measures in plain language
- [Correcting Amendment](#) published on March 16, 2021

**Paperwork Reduction Act Renewals - 60 day comment period**

- [Vessel Monitoring System \(VMS\)](#) [OMB Control Number 0648-0573]
  - Comment period has ended, PRA package in process of submission.
- [Vessel marking requirements](#) [OMB Control Number 0648-0355]
  - Comment period has ended, PRA package in process of submission.
- [Gear marking requirements](#) [OMB Control Number 0648-0352]
  - Comment period has ended, PRA package in process of submission.

**Emergency Action to Temporarily Extend the Primary Sablefish Fishery Season**

- [Correction](#) published on March 18, 2021

Action	Category	NMFS Lead	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	Jan
At-sea whiting emergency rule	Pandemic	Warpinski/Sayre										
2023-24 groundfish specifications and implementation	Harvest specifications	Hanshew/B.Hooper										
Whiting specifications & Tribal allocation & reapportionment		Miller										
Whiting treaty administration	Treaty	Miller										
Salmon bycatch minimization measures rulemaking & implementation	ESA	B.Hooper										
Humpback whale ESA consultation followup		Kent										
Non-trawl logbooks development, rulemaking, and implementation		Palmigiano										
ESA Workgroup		Hooper										
On-going requirements for all GF BiOps		All										
Sablefish Tier Program Catch Share Review	MSA	TBD										
PRA renewals (0573, 0352, 0355)	Other legal requirements	Moyer										
Inseason management of groundfish fishery	Inseason management	Rotating										
Groundfish Management Team participation		Hanshew, Studt										
Trawl Allocation utilization (SaMTAAC)	Council initiatives	Kent										
Whiting mothership utilization		Miller/Warpinski										
Non-trawl RCA; Emley-Platt		TBD										
Trawl and Non-trawl EFPs administration	EFPs	Massey										
Rec EFP development and administration		Moyer										
Bottom trawl/non-whiting midwater trawl EM rulemaking & implementation	Monitoring	Sayre/Palmigiano										
VMM correction (pink shrimp exemption)		TBD										
EM EFPs		Kavanaugh										
Scientific research permitting and letters of authorization	Research	Massey										

