COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) attended a joint webinar with the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) to discuss the proposed revisions to Council Operating Procedure 26, which incorporates language to include a process for initiating reviews of existing as well as new methodologies.

The CPSAS welcomes the additional proposed language as it now provides clarity on requesting a review of existing methods, such as our September 2020 <u>recommendation</u> for a methodology review of the sardine habitat model and our April 2020 <u>recommendations</u> on research needs related to Pacific sardine stock structure. The CPSAS supports the CPSMT strikethrough version of Council Operating Procedure 26 (Agenda Item H.4.a, CPSMT Report 1). The one suggestion we have is to clarify the term "proponents" in the scheduled September activity box, i.e. is proponent defined as the requestor, or the entity whose method is proposed for review.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

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