

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON
MARINE PLANNING

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) has reviewed current materials on marine planning, including the Council analysis of the Four State Proposal on Marine Planning Workload ([Agenda Item C.4, Attachment 1](#)) and offers the following comments.

With respect to Council agenda scheduling and because the CPSMT does not regularly meet in March or September, the CPSMT would prefer marine planning scheduled for Council meetings in June and November, as well as March, in order to increase potential CPSMT participation. Regarding the four options proposed for the makeup of a Marine Planning advisory body, the CPSMT finds Option C, that relies on drawing members from outside the Habitat Committee and existing advisory bodies to be most effective at bringing in the necessary expertise, but the proposed number of participants may be both cost prohibitive and too large to operate optimally. The Council may wish to consider more broadly utilizing the liaison model to help reduce the number of members needed for Option C. Utilizing this model should result in a more cost-efficient and effective group with fewer members that have the ability to bring in additional expertise as needed. The proposed Option D may not be an effective approach due to workloads and prioritizations of the existing advisory bodies. The CPSMT also notes that the lists of proposed participants for Options C and D do not specify a tribal representative.

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