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

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) discussed Agenda Item C.9, Membership Appointments and Council Operating Procedures, during the June 2021 meeting. The CPSAS supports the existing makeup of our advisory subpanel and believes its current membership provides an effective knowledge base to aid the Council in well-informed decision making. We oppose term limits and believe they would be detrimental to the quality of input provided by the CPSAS. Further, finding candidates from the fishing industry to participate in the Council process is challenging enough without the restrictions that would be imposed by term limits.

Thank you for your consideration of these comments.

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