

INSEASON ADJUSTMENTS INCLUDING PACIFIC WHITING SET-ASIDES FOR 2022 –
FINAL ACTION

Management measures for groundfish are set by the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) with the general understanding that these measures will likely need to be adjusted within the biennium to attain, but not exceed, the annual catch limits. This agenda item will consider progress to date of the groundfish fisheries, including activities under exempted fishing permits, as well as routine inseason adjustments to remaining 2021 fisheries and 2022 fisheries. Potential inseason adjustments include adjustments to catch limits, season structure, and other items relevant to inseason management of the fishery. Adjustments are, in part, based on recent landings and the latest information from the West Coast Groundfish Observer Program.

Pacific Whiting Yield Set-Asides

Under this agenda item, the Council is also scheduled to adopt yield set-asides to accommodate the incidental mortality of Pacific whiting in 2022 research activities and in the pink shrimp fishery. Attachment 1 (Agenda Item E.7, Attachment 1: Historical Mortality of Pacific Whiting in Research and Pink Shrimp, 2011-2020) contains information on the historical mortality of Pacific whiting in research and pink shrimp fisheries from 2011 to 2020 for Council review.

Council Action:

- 1. Adopt final inseason adjustments for 2021 and 2022 as necessary, to achieve, but not exceed, annual catch limits and other management objectives.**
- 2. Adopt Pacific whiting yield set-asides for 2022.**

Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item E.7, Attachment 1: Historical Mortality of Pacific Whiting in Research and Pink Shrimp, 2011-2020.
2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

Agenda Order:

- E.7 Inseason Adjustments Including Pacific Whiting Set-Asides
for 2022 – Final Action Todd Phillips
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
 - b. Public Comment
 - c. **Council Action:** Adopt Final Inseason Adjustments for 2021, as Necessary, to Achieve but Not Exceed Annual Catch Limits and Other Management Objectives and Adopt Pacific Whiting Yield Set-Asides for 2022