## FISHERY MANAGEMENT PLAN MANAGEMENT CATEGORIES

The Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) is exploring the possibility of eliminating the distinction between the Active and Monitored management categories in the Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan (CPS FMP) to clarify management intent while preserving the flexibility embedded in the CPS FMP and maintaining consistency with National Standards. The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) has spent a substantial amount of time working on language that retains the management, harvest control rules, and reference points for all stocks in the FMP while also removing the labels of categories, including Active, Monitored, and Prohibited. A CPSMT report (Agenda Item I.2.a, CPSMT Report 1) includes more background information and underline/strikethrough proposed FMP text.

The Council is scheduled to consider and adopt for public review the proposed FMP text, and provide guidance on completing the FMP amendment process.

## **Council Action:**

Adopt Preliminary Fishery Management Plan Amendatory Language. Provide Guidance as Appropriate.

## Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item I.2.a, CPSMT Report 1.
- 2. If received, Public Comments are electronic only (see e-portal).

## Agenda Order:

I.2 Fishery Management Plan Management Categories

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- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- c. Council Action: Adopt Preliminary Fishery Management Plan Amendatory Language for Public Review

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