GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON COMMERCIAL-DIRECTED FISHERY REGULATIONS FOR 2022 – FINAL ACTION

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) discussed the documents under this agenda item and offers the following comments.

The GAP supports the directed commercial fishery season structure as outlined in the Situation Summary. That is:

A series of three-day openings, beginning at 8 a.m. on the fourth Tuesday in June and ending at 6 p.m. on the Thursday of that week. Additional three-day openings would occur every other week, Tuesday through Thursday, until the directed fishery allocation is obtained.

We also supported this in <u>September</u>, noting the positive comments from the fishermen about the more flexible fishery allowing them more opportune times to get ice and sell some of their fish directly to the public over the weekend.

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