NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES REGULATORY ACTIVITIES

Recent publications:

Amendment 18 to the Coastal Pelagic Species Fishery Management Plan - Pacific Sardine Rebuilding Plan: The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) published a Notice of Decision on June 24, 2021 (86 FR 33142).

2021-2022 Pacific Sardine Harvest Specifications: NMFS published the proposed rule <u>86 FR</u> <u>28325</u> and final rule <u>86 FR 36237</u> implementing the Council's recommendations from the April 2021 meeting.

2021-2022 and **2022-2023** Pacific Mackerel Harvest Specifications: NMFS published the proposed rule <u>86 FR 48969</u> and final rule <u>86 FR 64825</u> implementing the Council's recommendations from the June 2021 meeting.

Expected future regulatory activities in 2022:

2022-2023 Pacific Sardine Harvest Specifications: The Council is slated to make recommendations to NMFS after reviewing the sardine assessment at the April 2022 meeting. As such, NMFS expects to subsequently publish a proposed rule in May 2022 and a final rule in June 2022.

2022-2023 Exempted Fishing Permits: The Council is slated to make recommendations to NMFS after reviewing the three EFP applications at the April 2022 meeting. As such, NMFS would subsequently review and potentially issue any EFPs in summer of 2022.

2022-2023 Central Subpopulation of Northern Anchovy Harvest Specifications: The Council is slated to potentially make recommendations to NMFS after reviewing the CSNA assessment and employing the CNSA management framework at the June 2022 meeting. As such, NMFS could subsequently publish a proposed and final rule in the fall/winter of 2022.