GROUNDFISH MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES

The Groundfish Management Team discussed the current vacant Southwest Fisheries Science Center (Science Center) seat that has been unfilled since January 2021. We understand that this is because of capacity limitations at the Science Center, but we request that the Council consider filling that seat. We also note that the team has been without an economist or social scientist, and feels the lack of that expertise in our discussions and statements, particularly on economically impactful items like gear switching.

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