

## SWORDFISH MANAGEMENT AND MONITORING PLAN

In [September 2018](#), the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) revisited and revised the draft Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan (SMMP) (Agenda Item I.5, Attachment 1) with the suggested edits by the Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT), ([Agenda Item H.6.a, Supplemental HMSMT Report 1, September 2018](#)) and recommended holding the SMMP in draft form until it was ready to schedule further revisions or adoption of the plan. At its June 2022 Council meeting in Vancouver, WA, the Council scheduled a discussion of the draft SMMP for this meeting to consider further development.

Council staff prepared a discussion paper to assist in Council deliberations on next steps for the draft SMMP (Agenda Item I.5, Attachment 2) which draws correlations between the SMMP and the Highly Migratory Species Fishery Management Plan ([HMS FMP](#)) and highlights outstanding policy questions proposed by the Council's HMSMT in 2018. Council staff also pose questions and potential pathways regarding the optimum utilization of the SMMP within the context of the HMS FMP.

### **Council Action:**

#### **Scope Changes to the Draft Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan and Provide Guidance on Future Work and Direction.**

#### Reference Materials:

1. Agenda Item I.5, Attachment 1 – Draft Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan.
2. Agenda Item I.5, Attachment 2 – Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan Discussion paper.
3. If received, Public Comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

#### Agenda Order:

- I.5 Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan Brett Wiedoff
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
  - b. Public Comment
  - c. **Council Action:** Scope Changes to the Draft Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan and Provide Guidance on Future Work and Direction