

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON
FISHERY ECOSYSTEM PLAN INITIATIVES APPENDIX AND NEW INITIATIVES

The Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) sees value in the Ecosystem Advisory Subpanel's Initiative 2.10, as it combines important components of three initiatives (Initiatives 2.1, 2.6, and 2.8) relevant to HMS fisheries management. However, after reviewing the Ecosystem Work Group's (EWG) Supplemental Report 2, the HMSMT understands how Initiative 2.10 may be intractable from a workload perspective. The HMSMT supports the EWG's recommendation of prioritizing Initiative 2.1, with subsequent evaluation of Initiatives 2.6 and 2.8, and appreciates the EWG's work to set out a clearly defined work plan. This approach is inclusive of HMSMT's recommendations expressed during the March 2022 meeting and allows for flexibility in scheduling to coordinate with the EWG on Initiatives 2.6 and 2.8.

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