COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) reviewed the Draft Proposed Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Meeting Agenda, March 2022 (<u>Agenda Item C.10</u>, <u>Attachment 2</u>), the April 2022 (<u>Agenda Item C.10</u>, <u>Attachment 3</u>), as well as the Pacific Council Workload Planning: Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance (YAG) Summary (<u>Agenda Item C.10</u>, <u>Attachment 1</u>). The CPSMT offers the following for Council consideration.

CPSMT Winter Meeting

The CPSMT will hold a winter meeting from January 24-26, 2023 to discuss Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) action. Additional future Council agenda items, including the Fishery Management Plan (FMP) housekeeping amendment, may be taken up at the winter meeting.

Sardine Methodology Review

The CPSMT looks forward to this workshop, currently scheduled for February 21-23, 2023, and recommends it be available to remote participants.

February-March 2023 Webinar

The CPSMT will schedule a February or March webinar to discuss Ecosystem agenda items and other topics scheduled for the March 2023 Council meeting as needed.

April 2023 Council Meeting

- The CPSMT recommends the CPS EFH range of alternatives (ROA/preliminary preferred alternative agenda (PPA) item be unshaded.
- The CPSMT notes that the FMP Housekeeping Amendment is not currently included as an agenda item for future meetings in the YAG, and recommends it be scheduled for the April 2023 Council meeting.
- The CPSMT recommends renaming the April 2023 agenda item "Sardine Assessment and Management Measures" to "Sardine Research and Management Measures", given the current schedule of a research workshop in November 2022 and methodology review in February 2023. No Pacific sardine stock assessment is planned for 2023.
- The CPSMT may require a webinar prior to the April meeting.

Hybrid meeting format

Council staff provided a link for CPS portions of the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) discussions at this meeting to allow CPSMT members not attending in person to remotely join the SSC meeting. Unfortunately, the hybrid format presented significant challenges in that it was difficult or impossible to hear all the dialogue and thus follow the discussion. As the Council considers utilizing the hybrid format in advisory body meetings as part of its meeting and process efficiencies discussion, improvements in technology and/or process will be necessary for successful implementation of hybrid meetings on an ongoing basis.

COP 9 Revisions

The CPSMT recommends changes be made to Council Operating Procedure (COP) 9, as described in <u>Agenda Item I.5.a</u>, <u>Supplemental CPSMT Report 1</u>, at a near future Council meeting.

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