WORKLOAD AND NEW MANAGEMENT MEASURE PRIORITIES

Under this agenda item, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) is scheduled to discuss the 2023 groundfish workload, new management measure proposals, and prioritize measures for development, as appropriate. An updated list of the potential groundfish management measure proposals has been provided for Council review in Agenda Item F.8.a, GMT Report 1.

There are multiple objectives for this agenda item. First, it is a dedicated time for stakeholders, agencies, and Council members to propose new groundfish management measures for the Council to consider including in the management measure list. Second, the Council should review the existing list of proposed groundfish management measures and revise it to reflect any changes or new requests, as appropriate. Third, the Council could prioritize development of management measures for work in the coming year, but should do so in light of the current 2023 groundfish workload. It is important to note, however, that the Council is not bound to prioritize any new management measures if it determines the current groundfish workload is sufficient for the year. Agenda Item F.8, Attachment 1 provides a diagram which summarizes this process.

The National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) has provided a report to the Council relative to items on the proposed groundfish management measure list, including recommendations for the Council to consider (Agenda Item F.8.a, NMFS Report 1).

Council Action:

- 1. Review Current List of Proposed Groundfish Management Measures.
- 2. Consider Additional New Groundfish Management Measure Proposals.
- 3. Consider Overall Groundfish Workload.
- 4. Provide Guidance on Groundfish Management Priorities and Schedules.

Reference Materials:

- 1. Agenda Item F.8, Attachment 1: Conceptual Design of Groundfish New Management Measure Prioritization Process, March 2023.
- 2. Agenda Item F.8.a, NMFS Report 1: NMFS Report on Select Items in Groundfish Workload and New Management Measures List.
- 3. Agenda Item F.8.a, GMT Report 1: Groundfish Management Team Report on Workload and New Management Measures Update, March 2023.
- 4. If Received, Public Comments are Electronic Only (see e-portal).

Agenda Order:

F.8 Workload and New Management Measure Priorities

- **Todd Phillips**
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
- b. Public Comment
- Council Action: Review the List of Proposed New Management Measures;
 Consider Overall Workload and Provide Guidance on Priorities and Schedules

PFMC 02/10/23