

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON THE CALIFORNIA
CURRENT ECOSYSTEM INTEGRATED REPORT

Members of the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) attended the Briefing on the 2022-2023 California Current Ecosystem Status Report (ESR) webinar presented by Drs. Chris Harvey, Northwest Fisheries Science Center, and Andrew Leising, Southwest Fisheries Science Center, and offers the following comments.

As in previous years, the ESR resonated with GAP members as entirely reflective of their on-the-water observations. The depth and breadth of this compendium of recent scientific observations and analyses is impressive.

Many attendees complemented the month-by-month nature of the presentation of physical oceanographic analyses. We look forward to this informative report each year, as it provides needed context for all the fisheries issues we work with throughout the management season. It's surely a highpoint not to be missed and we thank the agencies, scientists and crews involved in performing and presenting this work.

The geographic analysis of where fishing happens in the potential offshore wind energy areas is a really helpful addition to understanding the likely regions of highest conflict.

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