

G.5 Sablefish Gear Switching –Check-in and Refine the Range of Alternatives

Council Action:

1. Refine range of alternatives.
2. Discuss and provide guidance on the process for reaching a PPA.

DRAFT - NOT FOR ADMINISTRATIVE PURPOSES

I move to instruct staff to discontinue work on this action.

Moved by Corey Ridings

Seconded by Christa M. Svensson

Roll call vote. 4 yes, 8 no. Ms. Sommer abstained.

Motion failed.

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I move the Council add an option to Alternative 1 that drops all qualification criteria but would involve maintaining sablefish North QP as eligible to fish with any gear throughout the year until 29 percent of the sablefish North QP is taken or is projected to be taken by fixed gear vessels. This does not involve the quota conversion step but would only require inseason prohibition of fixed gear use of Northern, sablefish Northern QP.

Moved by: Christa M. Svensson

Seconded by: Corey Ridings

Roll call vote: Motion passed, 8 yes, 5 no.

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I move that the gear-specific QP alternative that was removed from the ROA last November be restored in a simplified form, as follows:

Individual permit owners who qualify as legacy participants would be designated as legacy participants and their control date holdings identified. The qualifying criteria would be as specified in the current version of Alternative 2. Annually, QP issued to QS accounts owned by legacy participants would be issued as any-gear QP for QS in amounts up to what the legacy participant owned as of the control date. For QS in excess of a legacy participant's control date holdings, trawl-only QP and any-gear QP would be issued in the same proportions as for accounts not owned by legacy participants.

QP's issued annually for the remainder of the QS accounts would be designated as any-gear and trawl-only QP's in a proportion such that the total any-gear QPs issued each year would be 29 percent of the trawl allocation.

All QS and QP would remain fully transferable.

Moved by Phil Anderson

Second by Butch Smith

Motion passed. Ms. Yaremko voted no.

I move that the Council:

1. Make the following refinements and clarifications to Alternative 1:
 - Drop the Fishermen's Collective Marketing Act aspect of how registered co-ops could qualify under the Gear-Switching Participant Criteria.
 - Change the First Receiver suboption, Gear-Switching Participant Criteria to require that the first receiver must have made the majority of its purchases from the IFQ fishery from fixed gear vessels (based on exvessel revenue).
 - Clarify that the ownership-in-common requirement between a First Receiver and a Quota Share Account owning entity should be the same as that for a Vessel Account owner and Quota Share Account owning entity.
2. Make those refinements and clarifications recognizing that it would likely be best to defer close attention to the details of how they would be implemented until the Council identifies Alternative 1 as a PPA or determines that better understanding of the details would benefit the choice of a PPA.
3. In that same recognition about the relative value of implementation details to the Council's main policy deliberations, request that the analysis:
 - Continue to consider the individual and collective approaches.
 - Consider how to preserve the Council's option to issue Adaptive Management Program (AMP) quota as any gear eligible under Alternative 1 if the Council chooses to develop the AMP in the future.

Moved by Corey Niles Seconded by Corey Ridings

Motion passed. Ms. Yaremko, Mr. Dooley, Mr. Pettinger voted no.

I move the following:

- 1) Add to Alternative 2 a sub-option to qualify as a legacy participant you must have landed 30,000 pounds in each of three years prior to the control date, owned QS as of and since the control date, and owned a vessel that gear switched as of and since the control date.
- 2) Add to Alternative 2 a sub-option that provides for the expiration of any gear quota share upon the transfer to a new owner or owner added.
- 3) Suspend further analytical work on Alternative Three

Moved by Phil Anderson

Second by Bob Dooley

Motion passed. Ms. Yaremko voted no.