COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON THE NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) appreciates the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) willingness to coordinate its efforts and planning with industry regarding the proposed integrated survey and NMFS's receptiveness to industry's technical and expert input on performance of trawl systems and fish behavior. We believe the continued collaboration is critical to successful development of the integrated survey and has the potential to provide improvement relative to current survey performance. The CPSAS also continues to support extending surveys into Canadian and Mexican waters and collaboration with those jurisdictions.

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