

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON COASTAL PELAGIC
SPECIES ESSENTIAL FISH HABITAT AMENDMENT- FINAL ACTION

At its April 2023 meeting, the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) considered a Range of Alternatives and adopted a Preliminary Preferred Alternative that updates and consolidates Coastal Pelagic Species (CPS) Essential Fish Habitat (EFH) information into a single document.

The CPS Management Team (CPSMT) received a presentation from Mr. Kerry Griffin at this meeting in a joint session with the Habitat Committee and the CPS Advisory Subpanel. The CPSMT has reviewed the current EFH Alternatives Document ([G.3, Attachment 1](#)), the revised EFH Appendix ([G.3, Attachment 2](#)) and the proposed Fishery Management Plan amendment text ([G.3, Attachment 3](#)), and supports the adoption of Alternative 1b as the Final Preferred Alternative by the Council.

The CPSMT again thanks Dr. Emmanis Dorval (National Marine Fisheries Service [NMFS] Southwest Fisheries Science Center), Mr. Kerry Griffin (Council staff), Mr. Eric Chavez (NMFS West Coast Region), and Ms. Stephani Onisko (NMFS West Coast Region) for their efforts, and recognizes the input of other advisory bodies in helping to revise the CPS EFH appendix.

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