

NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT ON  
 RECENTLY PUBLISHED GROUND FISH RULEMAKINGS & WORKLOAD

|  | <i>Proposed rule/notice of availability publication</i>                       | <i>Comment period end date</i>                              | <i>Final rule publication</i>                     | <i>Effective date</i>                  |
|--|---|---|---|--|
| <b>Inseason</b>                                | N/A   | N/A   | August 7, 2023<br>( <a href="#">88 FR 52046</a> ) | August 7, 2023                         |
| <b>Electronic monitoring program revisions</b> | July 26, 2023<br>( <a href="#">88 FR 48180</a> )                              | August 25, 2023   | Expected October 2023                             | 30 days after publication <sup>1</sup> |
| <b>Amendment 32, non-trawl area management</b> | NOA (August 2, 2023; <a href="#">88 FR 50830</a> ); PR (Expected August 2023) | NOA – October 1, 2023<br><br>PR – 30 days after publication | Expected November/December 2023                   | Expected January 1, 2024               |
| <b>Amendment 31, stock definitions phase 1</b> | August 23, 2023 ( <a href="#">88 FR 57400</a> )                               | October 22, 2023  | Notice of decision expected November 2023         | Expected November 2023                 |

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<sup>1</sup> does not change overall effective date of the program

| Action  | Category               | GF Branch Staff | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Jan '24 | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul |
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| 2025-26 groundfish specs & implementation                 | Harvest specifications | Massey/Moyer    |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Whiting treaty administration & specifications            | Treaty                 | Sayre           |     |     |     |     |     |         |     | PR  |     | FR  |     |     |
| Gear marking/entanglement mitigation measures             | ESA                    | Hanshew         |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| On-going requirements for all GF BiOps                    |                        | All             |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Amendment 31: stock and stock complex definitions phase 1 | MSA                    | Hanshew         | NOA |     |     | NOD |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Stock and stock complex definitions phase 2               |                        | Moyer           |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Trawl Rationalization Program Catch Share Review          |                        | Sommer/Moyer    |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Inseason management of groundfish fishery                 | Inseason management    | Matson          |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Groundfish Management Team participation                  |                        | Moyer/Massey    |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| EM follow-on actions                                      | Monitoring             | Moyer           |     |     | FR  |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| EM EFPs   |                        | Kavanaugh       |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Non-trawl EFP administration                              | EFPs                   | Massey          |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Trawl EFP administration                                  |                        | Massey/Moyer    |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Rec EFP administration                                    |                        | Moyer           |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Non-trawl area management                                 | Other                  | Massey          | PR  |     |     | FR  |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| Sablefish gear switching                                  |                        | Unassigned      |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |
| LEFG Follow-on  |                        | Hanshew         |     |     |     |     |     |         |     |     |     |     |     |     |