

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES REPORT

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) offers the following comments/suggestions. The GAP recommends that the option for paper form of the non-trawl logbook in California and Washington not be extended to a second year. The electronic logbook is working well compared to paper logbooks.

Relative to the hook-and-line survey, the GAP continues to express interest in extending the survey range north of Pt. Conception and to nearshore areas because it would provide sorely needed fishery-independent data to improve stock assessments and fishery management. It is also evident that Oregon and Washington would benefit from an expanded hook-and-line survey because the trawl survey does not cover the primary habitat for many rockfish; this includes nearshore rockfish and canary rockfish among others.

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