

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON CLIMATE AND  
COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE REVIEW AND PRIORITIZE TASKS

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) considered the Ecosystem Workgroup (EWG) [Report](#) on this agenda item (H.3.a, EWG Report 1) and in general supports the suggested tasks from the Climate and Communities Initiative listed in Appendix A. The CPSMT prioritizes the following tasks.

The items listed under Science sections 1a-1d for Shifting Stock Distribution can greatly improve understanding CPS stock dynamics and fisheries as related to environmental changes. These fall under Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding proposals 1, 2, and potentially 3. Item 2a under Effects of Fisheries Management will help better prepare fishing communities for changing marine ecosystems and is part of IRA funding proposal 2. The CPSMT notes that the information in Appendix A was put forward several years ago and that some tasks under Science in support of the Council process have since moved forward as part of the [Future Seas Project](#).

Review and implementation of items 12a-12e of Council Processes can assist with achieving greater flexibility in responding to a dynamic ocean environment, as per IRA funding proposal 1. The CPSMT notes that these items will be taken up under the Council Operations and Priorities agenda item at the April and June 2024 Council meetings.

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