

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON CLIMATE AND COMMUNITIES INITIATIVE

The Highly Migratory Species Management Team (HMSMT) reviewed and discussed the Climate and Communities Initiative (CCI) tasks and projects proposed for Inflation Reduction Act (IRA) funding. The HMSMT recommends the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council):

- Consult with the HMSMT for input on future development of IRA projects related to the HMS Roadmap, and
- Consider aligning the goals and actions of the HMS Roadmap ([Agenda Item I.3.a, HMSMT Report 1](#)) with relevant tasks from the CCI.

Given the time the HMSMT and the HMS Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) have invested in discussing a transition from the [Swordfish Management and Monitoring Plan](#) to an HMS Roadmap, the HMSMT requests to be included in the development of the related IRA project focused on “*Climate-Ready fisheries methods that mitigate bycatch of non-target species in a changing ecosystem*” ([Agenda Item C.2: Overview of Inflation Reduction Act Proposals](#)).

The HMSMT reviewed Appendix A of the Ecosystem Work Group report ([Agenda Item H.3.a, EWG Report 1](#)) and identified several tasks that have a nexus with the HMS Roadmap, the Roadmap workshop, and the IRA funding proposals (Council Process items 9, 10, 11, and 12c and Support of the Council Process item 1c). The HMSMT recommends that the Council align the goals and actions that the HMSMT has developed for the HMS Roadmap with these items.

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