

DRAFT ACTION ITEM CHECKLIST: 2025-2026 HARVEST SPECIFICATIONS AND MANAGEMENT MEASURES

This table is the Action Item Checklist for the 2025-26 harvest specifications and management measure biennial process. Items noted with an arrow bullet indicate measures modified from previous biennia. The supporting analyses for these items are detailed analyses in [Agenda Item F.2, Attachment 2, April 2024](#).

#	Category	Sector	2025-26 Management Measures	GMT Rpt. #
Groundfish Conservation Area Coordinate Updates				
1	Area Management	All	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Consider modifications to the rockfish conservation area off of California proposed in F.5.a Supplemental CDFW Report 1, April 2024 	
Off-the-Top Deductions				
2	Off-the-top deductions	Research, EFP, IOA, and Recreational	Confirm: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ New methodology to calculate set-asides ➤ Set-aside values adopted in November 2023 (Agenda Item E.7.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, November 2023) ➤ Confirm increase to sablefish north of 36° N. lat. recreational set-aside 	
2025-26 Treaty Fisheries Management Measures				
3	Off-the-top deductions	Tribal	Confirm Treaty fisheries set-asides as detailed in Agenda Item F.5.a Supplemental Tribal Report 1, November 2024	
Annual Catch Targets				
4	ACT	All	Recommend annual catch targets (ACT), set below the fishery HG: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirm or modify yelloweye rockfish: non-trawl ACTs (2025 = 31.7 mt, 2026 = 32.3 mt) ● Confirm the California quillback rockfish stock statewide ACT is equal to the statewide ACL ➤ Consider <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Removing current California copper rockfish ACT (ACT equal to the ACL contributions for each management area) b. Establishing a recreational ACT for California copper rockfish south of 34° 27' N. lat. 	

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Allocations and Harvest Guidelines (HG)				
5	Two Year Allocations	Trawl/ Non-Trawl	<p>Adopt preliminary 2-year trawl/non-trawl allocations:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Big skate: – 95 percent trawl, 5 percent non-trawl • Bocaccio south of 40°10' N. lat. – 39 percent trawl, 61 percent non-trawl • Cowcod south of 40°10' N. lat. 36 percent trawl, 64 percent non-trawl • Lingcod south of 40°10' N. lat. – 40 percent trawl; 60 percent non-trawl • Longnose skate – 90 percent trawl, 10 percent non-trawl • Petrale sole – 30 mt non-trawl, remainder trawl • Shelf Rockfish north of 40°10' N. lat. – 60.2 percent trawl, 39.8 percent non-trawl • Shelf Rockfish south of 40°10' N. lat. – 12.2 percent trawl, 87.8 percent non-trawl • Slope Rockfish Complex south of 40° 10' N lat. including blackgill rockfish • Yelloweye rockfish – 8 percent trawl, 92 percent non-trawl <p>➤ Reconsider allocations for:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Canary rockfish b. Widow rockfish c. Petrale sole 	
6	Rebuilding/ Overfished Species Allocations	All	<p>Confirm yelloweye rockfish rebuilding allocations: 8 percent trawl, 92 percent non-trawl</p> <p>➤ Consider California quillback rockfish allocation, as appropriate</p>	
7	A21 Allocation Changes	Trawl/ Non-Trawl	<p>Adopt preliminary Amendment 21 (A21) species allocations, as appropriate</p> <p>➤ Consider changes to the Amendment 21 shortspine thornyhead allocation structure</p>	
8	HGs/State Shares for Stocks in a Complex	All	<p>Adopt HGs for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Blackgill rockfish (within the slope rockfish complex south of 40°10' N. lat.) <p>Adopt species-specific HGs, as appropriate, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Oregon Black/Blue/Deacon Rockfish Complex • OR and WA cabezon/kelp greenling complexes 	
Whiting Set-Asides, Within Trawl HGs, ACTs, and Shares				
9	Within trawl Set-aside	At-sea whiting	<p>Adopt preliminary at-sea whiting fishery 2025-2026 set-asides.</p> <p>➤ Evaluate need for adjustments to set-asides</p>	

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Within Trawl and/or Non-Trawl HGs and Shares (continued)				
10	Within non-trawl and trawl HGs, State Shares, etc.	LEFG/OA/Recreational	<p>Adopt 2-year within trawl and/or non-trawl HG or shares, as appropriate, for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Blackgill rockfish and slope rockfish south of 40°10' N. lat. ● Canary rockfish ● Cowcod south of 40°10' N. lat. ● Bocaccio south of 40°10' N. lat. ● Sablefish south of 36° N. lat. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ Consider a 10 mt sablefish south of 36° N. lat. set-aside for the recreational sector south from the non-trawl sector allocation ● Nearshore Rockfish Complex north of 40°10' N. lat. by state <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Consider Federal HGs for the area 42° to 40°10' N. lat. ○ Consider state-specified HGs for Washington and Oregon. ● Yelloweye rockfish 	
Trip Limits, Bag Limits, and Season Structures				
11	IFQ	Shorebased IFQ	Adopt preliminary IFQ based on allocations, trip limits for non-IFQ species	
12	Open Access (OA)	OA (north of 40°10' N. lat.)	Adopt preliminary adjustments to the non-trawl RCA configuration, trip limits, size limits:	
13		OA (south of 40°10' N. lat.)	Adopt preliminary adjustments to the non-trawl RCA configuration, trip limits, size limits	
14	Limited Entry Fixed Gear (LEFG)	LEFG (north of 40°10' N. lat.)	Adopt preliminary adjustments to the non-trawl RCA configuration, trip limits, size limits	
15		LEFG (south of 40°10' N. lat.)	Adopt preliminary adjustments to the non-trawl RCA configuration, trip limits, size limits	
16	Recreational	WA Recreational	Adopt preliminary adjustments to bag limits, season structure, size limits, etc.	
17		OR Rec	Adopt preliminary adjustments to bag limits, season structure, size limits, etc.	
18		CA Rec.	Adopt preliminary adjustments to bag limits, season structure, size limits, etc.	

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			New Management Measures¹	
19	New Management Measures	<i>Commercial and Recreational</i>	<p>Adopt preliminary new management measures:</p> <p>Commercial:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ a) Create Open Access Permit/Registration. ➤ b) Update electronic monitoring program discard and retention requirements regulations ➤ c) Create coastwide Federal sorting requirements for rockfish by processors (see F.5.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, April 2024) ➤ d) Shortspine thornyhead management changes (see F.5.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, April 2024) <p>Recreational:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ e) Require recreational anglers to possess a descending device aboard while fishing in Federal waters. ➤ f) Modify continuous vessel transit limitations for California recreational vessels in Federal waters <p>Other</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ➤ g) Change to scientific name of Pacific sand lance and common name of Pacific spiny dogfish in regulation 	
Quillback Rockfish Rebuilding Plan				
20	Quillback Rockfish Rebuilding Plan	<i>All</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ● Confirm removal of California quillback rockfish from the nearshore rockfish complexes ● Provide guidance on management measures, as appropriate ● Review proposed FMP language and changes (Agenda Item F.5, Attachment 3, April 2024) 	

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¹ These items were recommended by the Council based at the November 2024 meeting.