## Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP)

The GAP follows the PFMC rules and procedures; specifically, COP 2 governs the GAP operations.

## **Roles and Responsibilities**

The GAP has a chair and vice chair(s). Elections are held each March and the chair and vice chair(s) are in place for one year.

The GAP chair and vice-chair(s) assigns agenda item leads which are responsible for tasks such as drafting statements, leading discussions, and reading the statement on the Council floor.

## **Facilitating Discussions**

The GAP follows the <u>PFMC Advisory Ground Rules</u>. The GAP has at least one public comment period each day of their noticed meeting and may take public comment at the discretion of the chair/vice-chair(s).

## **Process for Finalizing Statements**

The agenda item lead(s) typically write up a draft statement which is discussed by the GAP in the meeting room. Finalization of the statement may occur via google docs or email. The chair, vice-chair(s), and the staff officer ensure that the statement is submitted to the Secretariat in a timely manner so that it may be posted and reviewed by the Council and public well in advance of the agenda item.