## EQUITY AND ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE COMMITTEE REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

The Equity and Environmental Justice Committee (EEJC) met in person on June 7, 2024 and reviewed the Council meeting Year at Glance (<u>Agenda Item C.7</u>, <u>Attachment 1</u>). The EEJC proposes to add an additional item to the Cross Fishery Management Plan (FMP) agenda topic in September 2024 to discuss the National Marine Fisheries Service Regional Implementation Plan. The Regional Implementation Plan is expected to be available later this month, and the EEJC would hold a pre-Council meeting webinar in late July or early August to discuss its contents and develop advice for Council consideration.

The EEJC also proposes an additional in-person meeting in Costa Mesa, CA prior to the November Council meeting and additional agenda item under FMP to continue Council evaluations of its operations and decision making with respect to EEJ issues, taking into account the Regional Implementation Plan and National Academy of Sciences, Engineering, and Medicine report (Agenda Item H.2, Attachment 1). The EEJC requests this meeting be scheduled to avoid or minimize conflicting times with other pre-Council meetings. The June 2024 EEJC meeting overlapped with the Highly Migratory Species workshop, and meetings of the Budget Committee, the Scientific and Statistical Committee, the Habitat Committee, the Enforcement Consultants, the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel, and the Groundfish Management Team.

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