

## METHODOLOGY REVIEW – PRELIMINARY FISHERY IMPACT MODEL TOPICS

Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) Operating Procedure 25 ([COP 25](#)) specifies the Council process for reviewing proposed new methodologies to inform management decisions. Two types of methodologies are considered in COP 25, groundfish impact analyses and those proposed for use in groundfish stock assessments. The groundfish impact analyses in COP 25 specifies a focus on methodologies used to analyze and predict groundfish fishery impacts in the biennial specifications process (both biological and socioeconomic) in September of even years; therefore, such methodologies are the focus under this agenda item.

The Groundfish Management Team (GMT) or other entities may bring forward proposals for new impact projection models or other models to inform future management decisions, proposals for a review of models currently used to identify potential improvements, etc. The Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC), in conjunction with the GMT, will identify methodology issues which need documentation and/or merit a full review.

The Council should consider recommendations on any proposed groundfish methodology topics regarding impact analyses and adopt a tentative list for public review. The Council is scheduled to adopt a final list of topics and a review schedule for 2025 at their November 2024 meeting if any proposals are considered and forwarded at this meeting. The SSC would then review new methodologies proposed in the Council process.

### **Council Action:**

- 1. Identify preliminary priority topics for fishery impact model review in 2025.**

### **Reference Materials:**

1. If received, Public Comments are electronic only ([see e-portal](#)).

### **Agenda Order:**

- I.2 Methodology Review – Preliminary Fishery Impact Model Topics      Marlene A. Bellman
- a. Reports and Comments of Management Entities and Advisory Bodies
  - b. Public Comment
  - c. **Council Action:** Identify Preliminary Priority Topics for Fishery Impact Model Reviews