

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON MEMBERSHIP APPOINTMENTS
AND COUNCIL OPERATING PROCEDURES – INCLUDING 2025-27 ADVISORY BODY
APPOINTMENTS

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) discussed the proposed formation of an ad hoc National Standard (NS) Guidelines Committee on NS 4, 8, and 9 updates as described in [Attachment 2](#) under this agenda item.

The GAP supports formation of this ad hoc committee as these NS guideline changes could have significant impacts to our fisheries and coastal communities. It is vital the Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) provides input on these.

If the Council decides to form this ad hoc Committee, then the GAP recommends adding another GAP position for a total of four (instead of three) to fully cover the geographical scope and various fleets that participate in the groundfish fishery.

With that in mind, the GAP suggests the following members of the GAP be appointed to the ad hoc committee:

- **Mr. Bob Alverson** (fixed gear)
- **Mr. Merit McCrea** (recreational)
- **Ms. Sarah Nayani** (at sea)
- **Mr. Jeff Lackey** (trawl)

Additionally, the GAP recommends **Mr. Shems Jud** for one of the three Conservation seats.

The GAP has full confidence in each of these members representing GAP and conservation views regarding these National Standards.