

GROUND FISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL
MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

Draft April Agenda

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) expects it will hold a webinar to tackle some cross-fishery management plan and administrative items in advance of the April Council meeting since no groundfish items are scheduled for the April agenda.

Draft Year-at-a-Glance agenda

Pacific halibut: Referencing the [Draft Supplemental Year-at-a-Glance agenda](#), the GAP suggests scheduling an agenda item to analyze changes to the Pacific halibut non-tribal directed commercial fishery. As noted in our supplemental GAP statements under the Pacific halibut agenda item at this meeting ([Agenda Item G.1.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#); [Agenda Item G.2.a, Supplemental GAP Report 1](#)), fishermen would appreciate looking at changes to the season structures:

- extending the seasons beyond three days per opener; and
- making all or part of the Area 2a directed commercial halibut quota available to the incidental sablefish fishery potentially south of Pt. Chehalis.

Gear switching regulations deeming: The GAP recommends unshading this item for June 2025 so those changes can be implemented by Jan. 1, 2026.