## GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON ANNUAL REPORT OF THE INTERNATIONAL PACIFIC HALIBUT COMMISSION

The Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) discussed the outcomes of the 101st Annual Meeting of the International Pacific Halibut Commission (IPHC) meeting and appreciates the Makah Tribe, other Washington Treaty Tribes and the U.S. Delegation's efforts to retain a status quo total exploitation yield (TCEY) of 1.65 million pounds, as delineated in <u>IPHC Proposal C3</u>. The GAP recognizes other areas under IPHC jurisdiction were subject to lower allocations and that the Area 2A allocation may change in the future. However, this status quo TCEY will provide some stability for fisheries in Area 2A in 2025. The GAP appreciates the successful contributions from everyone in the Area 2A delegation.

The GAP also appreciates the additional surveys proposed for this year off Washington and Oregon and recommends the continuation of surveys off the entire West Coast to support future management of Pacific halibut.

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