GROUNDFISH ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON FUTURE COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA AND WORKLOAD PLANNING

Referencing the <u>Preliminary Year-at-a-Glance agenda</u> (Attachment 1), the Groundfish Advisory Subpanel (GAP) suggests:

• Prioritizing "Spex Flex" as soon as possible, based on the Council discussion at this meeting.

Referencing the Proposed September Agenda (Attachment 2), the GAP suggests:

• Add a Marine Planning item to the September agenda. The Marine Planning Committee tentatively plans to hold a meeting in August to receive updates on the draft Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for Aquaculture Opportunity Areas, transmission planning in California, the Oregon Offshore Wind Roundtable process, and more.

Lastly, as mentioned in our <u>Agenda Item E.8.a</u>, <u>2017-2018 Harvest Specifications Planning</u> statement, the GAP reiterates its concern about a virtual GAP meeting for September (and potentially for November). In-person meetings would facilitate discussion about the ramifications of incoming stock assessments and harvest specifications that simply cannot be held via remote options. The GAP considered a "skinny" GAP or reduced GAP concept of having one member of each sector attend the Council meeting and conduct a hybrid meeting with the rest of the GAP members and public remote. Ultimately, the GAP hopes that any cost savings of conducting *only* a remote GAP meeting in September may potentially afford allowing an in-person GAP meeting in November at Costa Mesa.

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