F.8 Harvest Specifications and Management Measures for 2027-28 (Part 2)

Council Action:

1. Adopt remaining harvest specifications, as necessary.
2. Adopt ACL deductions, at-sea set-asides for the Pacific whiting at-sea fishery, and annual catch targets for analysis, as appropriate.
3. Adopt preliminary two-year allocations for analysis, as appropriate.
4. Provide guidance and adopt a range of management measures for more detailed analysis.

F.8 Tribal Motion:

I move the Council adopt the preliminary 2027 and 2028 Tribal management measures and set-asides as outlined in F.8.a Supplemental Tribal Report 1, November 2025.

Moved by David Sones
Seconded by Lynn Mattes
Motion passes unanimously

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Agenda Item F.8 CDFW Motion 1:

I move the Council adopt the following alternatives in the range considered for the 2027-2028 Groundfish Management Measure Process. Following the Action Item Checklist numbering from Agenda Item F.8., Attachment 1 November 2025.

Action Item #2 Area Management

Rockfish Conservation Areas – status quo

Remove from regulations the following Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Areas off California – Point St. George, South Reef, Reading Rock, Point Delgada (North) and Point Delgada (South)

Action Item #5 Annual Catch Targets

Copper Rockfish South of Pt. Conception – status quo

Shortspine Thornyhead Non-trawl North of Pt. Conception – status quo

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Action Item #7 Further Allocations

Within Non-Trawl south of 40° 10’ N. latitude for Cowcod – status quo

Within Non-Trawl south of 40° 10’ N. latitude for Bocaccio – status quo

Action Item #19 California Recreational Fishery

Analyze routine adjustments to bag limits, bag limit structure, season structures, size limits, sub-bag limits, and depth limits as appropriate based on harvest specifications, including limited retention of cowcod.

Moved by Caroline McKnight
Seconded by Heather Hall
Motion passes unanimously

Agenda Item F.8. ODFW Motion 1:

I move the Council adopt the following alternatives for inclusion in the range considered for groundfish management measures in 2027-28:

(Numbers from Agenda Item F.8., Attachment 1 November 2025, the DRAFT Action Item Checklist)

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Action Item #2 Area Management

Removing from regulations the Yelloweye Rockfish Conservation Areas (YRCAs) off Oregon that have never been implemented, which are the Tillamook, Newport, Stonewall Bank expansions 1 and 2, Florence.

Action Item #3 Off-the-top Deductions

Adopt the following preliminary off-the-top deductions from the ACLs for 2027 and 2028, as shown in Appendix 1 and Appendix 2 of Agenda Item F.8.a, Supplemental GMT Report 1, November 2025 and the corrections in Appendix 1 of Agenda Item F.8.a Supplemental GMT Report 4, November 2025:

- Research: use the rolling 5-year median of research mortality to set research set-asides in 2027-28, except for yelloweye rockfish use 2.92 mt for the research set-aside, based on anticipated research projects.
- Incidental Open Access: use the rolling 5-year average mortality to set IOA set-asides in 2027-28
- Exempted Fishing Permits: no set-asides requested for 2027-28

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Action Item #6 Biennial Trawl/Non-Trawl Sector allocation percentages

Adopt the status quo biennial trawl/non-trawl allocations for all stocks, except slope rockfish south of 40° 10' N lat. and widow rockfish, as recommended by the GAP in Agenda Item F.8.a, Supplemental GAP Report 2, November 2025 and GMT in Agenda Item F.8.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, November 2025:

Stock	Option	Trawl Allocation	Non-Trawl Allocation
Slope rockfish south of 40° 10' N lat.	Opt. 1. SQ	63%	37%
	Opt. 2	"Blackgill Math" methodology	
	Opt. 3	52%	48%
Widow rockfish	Opt. 1 SQ	Remainder to trawl	300 mt
	Opt. 2	Remainder to trawl	150 mt

Action Item #8 Sablefish Allocations

Sablefish north of 36° N lat.

- Research—use rolling 5-year median as recommended by the GMT and GAP
- EFPs-none requested for 2027-2028

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- Recreational: explore an increase from 30 mt

Sablefish south of 36° N lat.

- Research- use rolling 5-year median as recommended by the GMT and GAP
- IOA-use rolling 5-year average as recommended by the GMT and GAP
- EFPs-none requested for 2027-2028
- Recreational- status quo of 10 mt
- Within non-trawl shares- status quo shares for LE and OA fixed gear

Action Item #9 Yelloweye Rockfish Allocations

Maintain status quo biennial allocations for yelloweye rockfish

- Status quo trawl/non-trawl sharing: 8% trawl, 92% non-trawl
- Status quo within non-trawl sharing percentages, and

Explore removing the non-trawl ACTs and allowing limited retention in non-trawl fisheries

Action Item #18 Oregon Recreational Fishery

ODFW and the GMT, as needed, will analyze routine measures such as bag limits, season structures, depth limits, and length limits, etc., that keep catch from exceeding harvest targets for the Oregon recreational fishery,

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including exploring allowing lingcod retention in the longleader gear (Holloway Gear) fishery.

Moved by Lynn Mattes
Seconded by Caroline McKnight
Motion passes unanimously

Agenda Item F.8. WDFW Motion 1:

I move the Council adopt the following alternatives for inclusion in the range considered for groundfish management measures in 2027-28:

(Numbers from Agenda Item F.8., Attachment 1 November 2025, the DRAFT Action Item Checklist)

Action Item #10 Canary Rockfish Allocations

- Retain the status quo Trawl/Non-Trawl allocations
- Analyze the WDFW proposal described in F.8.a Supplemental WDFW Report 1, November 2025

Action Item #11 Within trawl Set-aside

- Analyze the 2027-2028 at-sea set asides as described in F.8.a, Supplemental GMT Report 2, November 2025,

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Table 4., and an option to analyze a 200 mt set aside for widow rockfish

Action Item # 12 Shore Based IFQ

Adopt the status quo IFQ trip limits for non-IFQ species

Action Item #13 - #16 (OA and LEFG North and South of 40°10' N. lat,)

As recommended by the GMT (F.8.a, Supplemental GMT Report 3, November 2025) analyze trip limits and items to reduce regulatory complexity (e.g., Lasuen Knoll and non-trawl trip limit tables).

Action Item #17 Washington Recreational Fishery

WDFW and the GMT, as needed, will analyze routine measures such as bag limits, season structures, depth limits, and length limits, etc., that keep catch from exceeding harvest targets for the Washington recreational fishery.

Moved by Heather Hall
Seconded by Lynn Mattes
Motion passes unanimously

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