

J.1 Fishery Management Plan Amendment: Management Provisions for the Revised Sardine Stock

Council Tasks:

1. Adopt a Range of Alternatives for Actions 2 and 3 of the Pacific Sardine FMP Amendment.
2. Adopt a Preliminary Preferred Alternative for Actions 2 and 3, as appropriate.

With the goal of maintaining the current harvest approach and adapting it to the new science on stock structure, and expecting a

benchmark assessment and workload planning discussions in 2028, I move that the Council:

- Adopt the Range of Alternatives for Actions 2 and 3 of the Pacific Sardine FMP Amendment reflected in Agenda Item J.1 Attachment 3 with the following additions:
 - Modify Action 2, Alternative 1 based on the recommendations in Agenda Item J.1.a Supplemental SSC Report 1
 - A static approach to MSST, including a range between 65,000 mt and a higher value of 150,000 mt;
 - A formulaic approach to MSST that reflects the SSC's recommendations;
 - Analyze a higher (314,400 mt) and lower (50,000 mt) CUTOFF value as part of Action 3, as recommended in Agenda Item J.1.a Supplemental CPSAS Report 1.
- Adopt the following as the Preliminary Preferred Alternatives:
 - **Action 2** (Pacific Sardine Status Determination Criteria and Related Reference Points and Control Rules)
 - Alternative 1 Section 2.3.1 Option 2 - Formulaic Overfished Status Determination Criteria, where MSST is set to a value between B10% and B30%, or a or reasonable proxy based on BSIA, as described in Agenda Item J.1.a Supplemental SSC Report 1;

- Section 2.3.2 Overfishing Status Determination Criteria and Control Rules

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- **Action 3** (Harvest Control Rules for Pacific Sardine)
 - Alternative 1 (Stock specific HCRs) with values described in Agenda Item J.1.a Supplemental CPSMT Report 1
- Request that NOAA Fisheries increase its efforts with other federal government agencies, Tribal partners, and state governments where applicable, to improve scientific capacity for Pacific sardine in Mexico.
- Conduct additional analyses, a Management Strategy Evaluation or similar process, as indicated by the results of the assessment.

Moved by Aja Szumylo

Seconded by Pete Hassemer

Motion passes with Briana Brady voting no

Amendment to the Motion: Briana Brady

I amend to remove the selection of a PPA.

Seconded by Corey Ridings

Amendment to the Motion fails

Svensson, Sones, Kiefer, Szumylo, Lackey, Diamond,

Hassemer Voted No

Josh Lindsay Abstained

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