

HIGHLY MIGRATORY SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON
NATIONAL MARINE FISHERIES SERVICE REPORT

The Highly Migratory Species Advisory Subpanel (HMSAS) offers the following comments on the I.1.a, Supplemental NMFS Report 3.

The HMSAS was surprised by announcement of the National Marine Fisheries Service (NMFS) presentation on the options for Preliminary Analysis: Increased Monitoring of the California/Oregon Large-Mesh Drift Gillnet Fishery. We note the last bullet point on the Powerpoint Presentation requests Council guidance before June Pacific Council. Due to the posting of these materials to the Briefing Book earlier today, the HMSAS has not had a chance to review the report with sufficient detail. We ask the Council withhold any guidance until the June meeting when the advisory bodies (HMSAS and Highly Migratory Species Management Team) and public will have had an opportunity to review the materials and offer thoughtful comments.

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