

Agenda Item G.3 ESA Mitigation Measures for Salmon Council Action:

- 1. Review Salmon Mitigation Measures for Salmon Interactions in Groundfish Fisheries Pursuant to the 2017 NMFS Biological Opinion that were not addressed through the 2019-2020 Biennial Management Process and Adopt a Range of Alternatives and Preliminary Preferred Alternative, as Appropriate.**
- 2. Consider a Purpose and Need for the Action.**

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I move that the Council adopt the Purpose and Need statement and range of alternatives recommended in Agenda Item G.3.a Supplemental GMT Report 3 April 2019 for further review, with the following modifications:

- Include the alternatives for **Automatic Authority to Close the Trawl Sectors and Preserve 500 Chinook Salmon for Fixed Gear and Recreational Fisheries** as described in G.3.a Supplemental GMT Report 2 April 2019 and shown here:
 - No Action: The Council would not develop an action which would preserve 500 Chinook salmon for the fixed gear and recreational sectors. Instead, the only automatic action authority in regulation would be the one which would close. One or both of the whiting or non-whiting sectors of the groundfish fishery would close upon that sector having exceeded its annual Chinook salmon bycatch guideline and the reserve.
 - Alternative 1: Develop an automatic action authority that would close the trawl sectors as follows:
 1. Close bottom and mid-water trawl upon attainment of 8,500 Chinook salmon
 2. Close the whiting trawl sectors upon attainment of 14,000 Chinook salmon
 3. Close all trawl fisheries upon attainment of 19,500 Chinook salmon
- Instead of the alternatives under **Development of Reserve Rule Provision** in G.3.a Supplemental GMT Report 3 April 2019, use the following action alternative:

A sector may only access the reserve if the Council or NMFS has taken action to minimize Chinook salmon bycatch in that sector prior to reaching its Chinook salmon bycatch guideline.

Moved by Maggie Sommer; 2nd by Brad Pettinger

Amendment (Marci Yaremko/2nd by Louis Zimm) Add a bullet that reads:

- Regarding the BAC Tool, include in the Range of Alternatives and supporting analysis the ability to allow extension of any BAC seaward to the western boundary of the EEZ, rather than the 250-fathom waypoint line. Amendment carried unan.

Main motion as amended passed unan.

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