

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES MANAGEMENT TEAM REPORT ON  
STOCK ASSESSMENT PLANNING FOR MANAGEMENT SPECIFICATIONS  
IN THE 2015-2016 FISHERIES

The Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT) and the Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) held a joint teleconference on February 28, 2012 to review the draft Terms of Reference (TOR) documents for both the Stock Assessment Review (STAR) and Methodology Review processes. Previous TORs dealt with CPS and groundfish separately. The two TOR documents now incorporate the CPS and groundfish review processes together. The CPSMT suggests no changes for the draft Methodology TOR. However, the CPSMT recommends that some changes need to be incorporated into the draft STAR TOR before final Council Approval.

The CPSMT found that the draft Stock Assessment Review TOR had some inconsistencies and inaccurate characterizations of CPS terminology and descriptions, in particular Amendment 13 terms and the management of CPS. The CPSMT recommends that the Scientific and Statistical Committee work with the appropriate entities (i.e. CPSMT, NMFS, and Council Staff) to correct the document, before final consideration and approval by the Council in June, 2012.

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