

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON  
EXEMPTED FISHING PERMIT PROCESS

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) recommends that the Council adopt the revised Council Operating Procedure (COP) 23, as presented by the Coastal Pelagic Species Management Team (CPSMT), to establish an official process for CPS-related Exempted Fishing Permits (EFPs). This COP has been slightly modified from the draft COP the Council adopted for public review during the September 2012 meeting. These revisions are intended to reduce administrative time and costs, as well as the number of meetings required to review EFP proposals. This COP also better aligns procedures for approving CPS EFPs with processes currently utilized to assess EFPs under the Council's other FMPs.

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