

COASTAL PELAGIC SPECIES ADVISORY SUBPANEL REPORT ON THE INTEGRATED
ECOSYSTEM ASSESSMENT IMPLEMENTATION REPORT

The Coastal Pelagic Species Advisory Subpanel (CPSAS) received a presentation on the Integrated Ecosystem Assessment (IEA) and proposed implementation schedule from Brian Wells and Phil Levin from the Southwest Fisheries Science Center. We appreciate efforts to include necessary biological data from the Southern California Bight and look forward to continued improvement in coordinating biological and oceanographic data from multiple sources to improve understanding of the California Current Ecosystem and fishery-ecosystem interactions and potential trade-offs.

We note that an IEA workshop is proposed around the same timeframe as the planned sardine harvest parameters workshop, and encourage coordination of the two workshops, as the invited participants are likely to be very similar. In that regard, we recommend that both workshops include the authors of the Amendment 8 harvest control rule: Drs. Richard Parrish, Alec MacCall, and Larry Jacobson, as scientists with deep experience in oceanographic cycles and coastal pelagic species.

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