

ADVISORY PANEL REPORT

C2 & C3



C2 MOTION 1 - BSAI GROUND FISH SPECS

- The AP recommends the Council approve the attached Table 1, the proposed 2021 and 2022 BSAI OFLs and ABCs as recommended by the SSC, and a rollover of the 2021 TACs with the recognition of a correction for Northern Rock Sole and that adjustments will be made to accommodate the state waters cod fishery.
- The AP also recommends the Council approve Tables 7, 8, 9, 10, 11, and 12; attached.
- *Motion Passed 21-0*



C2 MOTION 2 - GOA GROUND FISH SPECS

- The AP recommends the Council:
- 1) Set the 2021 and 2022 proposed annual and seasonal Pacific halibut PSC limits and apportionments in the Gulf of Alaska as shown in the action memo (Tables 9 – 11).
- 2) Adopt the proposed 2021 and 2022 halibut discard mortality rates (DMRs) for the Gulf of Alaska as shown in Table 12 of the action memo.
- 3) Adopt the proposed 2021 and 2022 Gulf of Alaska groundfish specifications for OFLs and ABCs as recommended by the SSC and set TACs as shown in the handout. The TACs for both Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod and Pollock have been adjusted to account for the State water GHL fisheries. The Gulf of Alaska Pacific cod adjustments are shown in table 2 of the action memo. The TAC for Pacific cod has been further reduced by 40% to address conservation concerns and match the Council's 2021 specifications that were set in December of 2019.
- *Motion passed 21-0*



C2 MOTION 3 - SABLEFISH APPORTIONMENT

- The AP recommends the Council request the Plan Team and SSC discuss the ~~1reasonableness of continuing with the fixed~~ apportionment strategy for sablefish in 2021. Included in this discussion should be specific consideration of using the previously approved NPFMC 5-year ~~1exponentially weighted~~ apportionment strategy in 2021 until a new apportionment strategy can be analyzed, reviewed, and adopted, which will more accurately represent the current distribution of sablefish while also providing fishery stability. **2The AP recommends the SSC also consider identifying the apportionment strategy that protects juvenile sablefish 3not already accounted for in the stock assessment model.**
- *Amendment¹ passed 21-1*
- *Amendment² passed 18-4*
- *Amendment³ passed 18-4*
- *Motion as amended passed 14-8*



C3 SCULPIN/SQUID

- The AP recommends the Council adopt Alternative 2 as its final preferred alternative.
- *Motion passed 22-0.*

