

MEMORANDUM

TO: Council, SSC and AP Members

FROM: Chris Oliver
Executive Director



ESTIMATED TIME 2 HOURS

DATE: March 27, 2013

SUBJECT: Scallop Management

ACTION REQUIRED

Review Scallop SAFE report and approve catch specifications

BACKGROUND

The Scallop Plan Team met in Kodiak on February 19-20, 2013 to review the status of the weathervane scallop stocks in Alaska, to prepare the Stock Assessment and Fishery Evaluation (SAFE) report and to recommend an acceptable biological catch (ABC) level to meet Annual Catch Limit (ACL) requirements. The SAFE report was mailed to you on March 12th. The report from the Scallop Plan Team meeting is attached as Item C-4(a). The SAFE report provides an overview of scallop management, scallop harvests and the status of the regional weathervane scallop stocks. Scallop stocks are neither overfished nor approaching an overfished condition.