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## Overview

## Appendix in SAFE report

- Full ESPs in 2017-2019
- Partial ESP in Nov 2020
- Report card in Nov 2021
- Simplified template allows for including current year data
- Some indicators missing due to cancellations, data timing
- 13 editors, 12 contributors

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## Traffic Light

## - Time series and Table

- Historical time series of indicators suite (~ starts 1977)
- Evaluate a given year 1 stdev from the long term mean
- High (H), low (L), neutral (N), color is relationship with stock
- Summary Score
- Score by category last 20 yrs
- Sum of H, L, N, color is -1,1



## Traffic Light Score

- Ecosystem (16 of 22 total)
- Physical < to average
- Lower trophic remains average
- Upper trophic > to above average
- Socioeconomic (7 of 8 total)
- Fishery performance > to average
- Economic lagged by one year and remains very low
- 7 indicators missing

$\rightarrow$ Physical
+ Fishery Performance
- Lower Trophic - Economic


## Importance



## Considerations

## - Management Summary

- Cooling overall in GOA, still warm in EBS, plankton average
- YOY growth average, juveniles high nearshore, avg offshore
- Survey condition avg or below avg, fishery condition poor
- BSAI pot CPUE \& incidental catch high, value \& price low
- Modeling Summary
- 2 potential covariates for sablefish recruitment
- Several potential research ecosystem models (life cycle model with IBM, temperature projection model, tag model)


# ALASKA SABLEFISH 

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## 8 OUTLINE

- Model Development and Comparisons
- Stock Assessment Overview
- Review Key Data Inputs
- Results and Model Fit
- Diagnostics

- Summary of Assessment and ABC
- Apportionment


## 9 BOTTOM LINE

- New model, same upward trends
- More consistent recruitment estimation allows use of max ABC projections
- 2022 Author's $A B C=$ Max $A B C=34,521$ t
- Apportionment based on 5-year average survey biomass proportions and year 2 (50\%) of SSC 4-year stair step

| Year | 2021 |  |  |  | 2022* |  | 2023* |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Region | OFL ${ }_{\text {w }}$ | $\mathrm{ABC}_{\mathrm{w}}$ | TAC | Catch** | OFL ${ }_{\text {w }}$ | $\mathrm{ABC}_{\mathrm{w}}{ }^{* * *}$ | OFL ${ }_{\text {w }}$ | $\mathrm{ABC}_{\mathrm{w}}{ }^{* * *}$ |
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| CGOA | -- | 9,527 | 8,056 | 5,868 | -- | 9,965 | - | 9,495 |
| ***WYAK | -- | 3,451 | 2,929 | 2,156 | -- | 3,437 | - | 3,159 |
| ***EY/SEO | -- | 5,273 | 4,579 | 3,286 | -- | 5,665 | - | 5,398 |
| Total | 60,426 | 29,588 | 26,105 | 17,945 | 40,432 | 34,521 | 42,520 | 36,318 |

## 102021 SAFE PROPOSED MODEL

- 21.12_Proposed_No_Skip_Spawn
- Same as 21.10_Proposed, but using an age-based GLM to estimate maturity without incorporating information on skipped spawning (using recent histological data)
- 2 time blocks for growth, updated with recent data
- 1 time block for weight, updated with recent data
- No catchability priors
- Recent time block (starting in 2016) for fishery catchability+selectivity and survey selectivity parameter estimation
- Francis reweighting


## 11 MODEL UPDATES RATIONALE

- Gear composition (>50\% catch from pots) and targeting (avoidance of small sablefish) clearly changing
- Impacts availability (catchability) and selectivity
- Indications that survey availability may be changing, but primarily for younger ages (smaller sizes)
- Impacts availability of certain ages, which is best accounted for through selectivity (not catchability)


## 12 LONGLINE SURVEY RPN BY LENGTH




Central GOA


## 13 FULL MODEL BUILDING RESULTS

Sablefish recruitment retrospective


Years since first estimated

- Summary:
- Survey time blocks have biggest impact
- Catchability changes scaling, selectivity impacts recent recruitment
- Fishery catchability allows better fit to CPUE data, while causing minor population rescaling
- Fishery selectivity reduces recruitment, but does not resolve retrospective patterns


## PT \& SSC CONCERNS - WEIGHT 14 BLOCKS \& SKIPPED SPAWNING

- Historic weight-at-age not realistic
- Skipped spawning has limited impact until recent years (due to young fish), but high uncertainty



## 15 DATA: CATCH




## 16 DATA: INDICES IN THE MODEL



10\% Increase

40\% Increase

10\% Increase
(in 2019; no 2020 data)

## 17 DATA: WHALE DEPREDATION

We are now getting whale observations in logbooks! But not yet incorporated due to short time series.

Sperm whale


Depredation directly accounted for in assessment and projections.

## 18 MODEL 16.5: POOR FIT TO INDICES



Extreme year class strength informed by compositional data, which leads to overpredicting population growth from indices.



Aggregated observed compositions and predictions


## 19 MODEL 21.12: WHO DO YOU TRUST?




New parametrization with Francis reweighting better fits indices, but at cost of fitting age compositions.


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## 20 FIT TO FIXED GEAR FISHERY AGES



Overestimating cohort sizes as they age in fishery.

Overestimation of age-2 abundance. Good fit to cohort decay in fishery.

## 21 RECRUITMENT

## 16.5_Cont

21.12_Proposed_No_Skip_Spawn



Model.Year
2020 Model
2021 Model

Blue bars are the given model run with the 2020 SAFE data. Yellow bars are the given model run with the 2021 SAFE data.
Notice rescaling of recruitment magnitude between models.
Current recruitment appears to reflect similar pattern as late 1970s recruitment.

## 222018 RECRUITMENT UNCERTAINTY

Recruitment (Millions of Fish) Comparison


2018 recruitment based primarily on 2021 trawl survey.

LL survey lengths suggest more moderate year class size.

## 23 SPAWNING BIOMASS INCREASING



## 24 REDUCED RETROSPECTIVE PATTERNS <br> 16.5_Cont <br> 21.12_Proposed_No_Skip_Spawn

Sablefish recruitment retrospective


Sablefish recruitment retrospective


## 25 PROJECTION CONSISTENCY



## 26 APPROXIMATE DISTRIBUTION

Partitioned Biomass by Region


## 27 EBS TRAWL REMOVALS

| Year | Non- <br> pelagic | Pelagic | Total |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2010 | 29 | 1 | 30 |
| 2011 | 44 | 0 | 44 |
| 2012 | 93 | 0 | 93 |
| 2013 | 133 | 0 | 133 |
| 2014 | 34 | 0 | 34 |
| 2015 | 17 | 0 | 17 |
| 2016 | 239 | 18 | 257 |
| 2017 | 588 | 91 | 679 |
| 2018 | 623 | 395 | 1,018 |
| 2019 | 1,283 | 1,223 | 2,506 |
| 2020 | 1,071 | 3,397 | 4,468 |
| 2021 | 1,248 | 1,076 | 2,324 |

BS trawl catch decreased in 2021 along with \% of catch coming from the trawl fleet.

Relative impacts of BS trawl catch


Trawl removals in BS represent a small proportion of the total biomass for the most recent cohort estimated in the model (2018; assuming 32\% of biomass is in the BS, based on LL survey proportions).

## 28 ASSESSMENT SUMMARY

- Model tension when fitting indices and compositional data
- Model 16.5 is overfitting variability in compositional data
- Likely suffering from process error (overestimating cohort abundance or overestimating recruitment?)
- Model 21.12 emphasizes indices over compositions (due to reweighting)
- Assumes a change in availability/selectivity, which leads to smaller estimates of initial year class sizes and better fit to cohort decay in age data
- Recent year classes are large, but may not be unprecedented
- SSB increasing rapidly and should be above B40\% in 2022
- F is decreasing and well below M
- Reduced retrospective patterns from model 21.12



## 29 FUTURE CONSIDERATIONS

- Logbook data availability is uncertain, which is a key component of the CPUE index
- Uncertainty in biological sampling as EM coverage replaces observer coverage
- Updated whale depredation coefficients in 2022 (M. Williams)
- Refined CPUE index that accounts for pot gear transition
- Masters student at UAF has begun work
- Explore time-varying/non-parametric selectivity
- Explore time- or age-varying natural mortality and develop parsimonious parametrizations
- Further refine spatial modeling efforts
- Post-doc in process of being hired to develop tag-integrated spatial model
- Develop 'desktop' MSE to test robustness of NPFMC HCR to spasmodic recruitment dynamics of sablefish
- Post-doc being sought to develop MSE tool


## 30 RISK TABLE

- Assessment model: 1 -- Normal
- No data issues, retrospective patterns eliminated
- Population dynamics: 2 -- Increased Concern
- Contracted age structure, rapid change in abundance
- Ecosystem: 1 -- Normal
- Neutral to positive indicators, reduced competition
- Fishery Performance: 2 -- Increased Concern
- Rapid transition to pot gear, potential changes in targeting
- No recommended reduction in Max ABC



## 31 BOTTOM LINE

- New model, same upward trends
- More consistent recruitment estimation allows use of max $A B C$ projections
- 2022 Author's ABC $=$ Max ABC $=34,521 \mathrm{t}$
- +18\% from 2021 ABC
- Would represent an ~tripling of quota since 2016 (11,795 t)
- Apportionment based on 5 -year average survey biomass proportions and year 2 (50\%) of SSC 4-year stair step


## 32 IMMATURE SABLEFISH

Contribution to 2022 SSB by Year Class


Abundance of older fish on LL survey


SSB relies heavily on these recent year classes (>50\% of SSB), which are not fully mature.

## 33 FOOD FOR THOUGHT

- $A B C$ would be highest catch since late 1980s and early 1970s
- Both periods were associated with subsequent, protracted population declines
- IF recruitment reverts back to a low productivity regime, high catches could lead to faster than projected population declines
- Capped management procedures and/or alternate SSB metrics could help rebuild age structure and improve population resilience



## 34 APPORTIONMENT



- 5-year average of regional survey biomass proportions
- Addresses biological concerns (avoids localized depletion)
- This is NOT a static apportionment, the proportions will change yearly based on changing distributions and updated survey biomass
- High BS longline survey catch in 2021 (~32\% of LL survey biomass) resulted in increased apportionment to BS region
- Continuation of the SSC 4 -year stair step approach
- 50\% step in 2022 (but SSC decision)


## 35 WHALE ADJUSTED AUTHOR ABC

- Assumes 5-year average of regional survey biomass proportions
- 50\% step from 2020 Fixed apportionment to 2021 5year survey average apportionment

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| Total | 60,426 | 29,588 | 26,105 | 17,945 | 40,432 | 34,521 | 42,520 | 36,318 |

*Based on model 21.12_Proposed_No_Skip_Spawn and assuming a 50\% stair step from fixed apportionment towards author recommended 5-year average survey apportionment.
**As of October 28, 2021 Alaska Fisheries Information Network, (www.akfin.org).
***After 95:5 trawl split and after whale depredation adjustments.

## 36 QUESTIONS?



## 37 SUMMARY TABLE

| Quantity/Status | As estimated or specified last year for (model 16.5): |  | As estimated or recommended this year for (model 21.12): |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2021* | 2022* | 2022* | 2023* |
| $M$ (natural mortality rate) | 0.098 | 0.098 | 0.100 | 0.100 |
| Tier | 3a | 3a | 3a | 3a |
| Projected total (age 2+) biomass (t) | 753,110 | 789,584 | 574,599 | 582,536 |
| Projected female spawning biomass (t) | 134,401 | 191,503 | 128,789 | 153,820 |
| $B_{100 \%}$ | 317,096 | 317,096 | 295,351 | 295,351 |
| $B_{40 \%}$ | 126,389 | 126,839 | 118,140 | 118,140 |
| B $35 \%$ | 110,984 | 110,984 | 103,373 | 103,373 |
| FOFL | 0.117 | 0.117 | 0.094 | 0.094 |
| $\max _{\text {A }}$ ABC | 0.100 | 0.100 | 0.080 | 0.080 |
| $F_{A B C}$ | 0.042 | 0.048 | 0.080 | 0.080 |
| OFL (t) | 61,319 | 71,756 | 40,839 | 42,948 |
| $\mathrm{OFL}_{\mathrm{w}}(\mathrm{t})^{* *}$ | 60,426 | 70,710 | 40,432 | 42,520 |
| $\max A B C$ (t) | 52,427 | 61,393 | 34,863 | 36,670 |
| $\mathrm{ABC}(\mathrm{t})$ | 22,551 | 29,723 | 34,863 | 36,670 |
| $\mathrm{ABC}_{\mathrm{w}}(\mathrm{t})^{* *}$ | 22,237 | 29,309 | 34,521 | 36,318 |
| Status | As determined last year for: |  | As determined this year for: |  |
|  | 2019 | 2020 | 2020 | 2021 |
| Overfishing | No | n/a | No | n/a |
| Overfished | n/a | No | n/a | No |
| Approaching overfished | n/a | No | n/a | No |

*2020 projections for biomass and SSB were based on approximate estimated catches of $21,100 \mathrm{t}$ and $23,600 \mathrm{t}$ (based on the ratio of estimated catch to $\max A B C$ in 2020) used in place of maximum permissible $A B C$ for 2021 and 2022. The same approach was utilized for the 2021 projections with specified catches of $23,700 \mathrm{t}$ in 2022 and $24,400 \mathrm{t}$ in 2023 (a yield ratio of 0.68 was assumed based on a 2021 estimated catch of $20,120 t$ and an ABC of $29,588 \mathrm{t}$ ). Similarly, the 2023 ABC is based on removals equivalent to the 2022 specified catch. This was done in response to management requests for a more accurate two-year projection. SSB and biomass are slightly less than presented when the full ABC is removed.
${ }^{* *} \mathrm{ABC}$ w and OFLw are the final author recommended ABCs and OFLs after accounting for whale depredation. They are also based on a $50 \%$ stair step from fixed apportionment towards author recommended 5-year average survey apportionment in 2022 and a $75 \%$ stair step in 2023 (i.e., following SSC recommendations from 2020).

## 38 APPORTIONMENT OPTIONS

| Method | Area |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | AI | BS | WG | CG | WY* | EY* | ABC |
| 2021 ABC+ | 4,727 | 3,420 | 3,253 | 9,644 | 3,471 | 5,326 | 29,841 |
| Status Quo <br> (Fixed at Current) ${ }^{* *}$ | 5,558 | 4,001 | 3,799 | 11,226 | 4,066 | 6,213 | 34,863 |
| 2020 5-year Survey Avg. | 8,231 | 5,742 | 4,296 | 8,945 | 2,990 | 4,660 | 34,863 |
| Fixed ${ }^{* * *}$ | 4,601 | 3,402 | 3,761 | 11,892 | 4,000 | 7,207 | 34,863 |
| 25\% Stair Step | 5,543 | 4,353 | 3,791 | 10,950 | 3,590 | 6,635 | 34,863 |
| 50\% Stair Step*** | 6,486 | 5,305 | 3,821 | 10,008 | 3,179 | 6,064 | 34,863 |
| 75\% Stair Step | 7,428 | 6,256 | 3,852 | 9,066 | 2,768 | 5,493 | 34,863 |
| 5-year Survey Avg. ${ }^{\wedge}$ | 8,371 | 7,207 | 3,882 | 8,124 | 2,357 | 4,922 | 34,863 |
| 50\% Stair Step from 2021* | 6,964 | 5,604 | 3,840 | 9,675 | 3,212 | 5,568 | 34,863 |

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${ }^{\wedge}$ The 5 -year survey average is the biologically recommended long-term apportionment strategy. This approach does not utilize a stair step (i.e., it represents a $100 \%$ step).
\#The $50 \%$ stair step from the 2020 SAFE apportionment values to the 20215 -year survey average apportionment is an alternative to a $50 \%$ stair step from the fixed apportionment.

## APPORTIONMENT \% CHANGE 39 FROM 2021

| Method | Area |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | AI | BS | WG | CG | WY* | EY* | ABC |
| 2021 ABC ${ }^{+}$ | 4,727 | 3,420 | 3,253 | 9,644 | 3,471 | 5,326 | 29,841 |
| Status Quo (Fixed at Current) | 18\% | 17\% | 17\% | 16\% | 17\% | 17\% | 17\% |
| 2020 5-year Survey Avg. | 74\% | 68\% | 32\% | -7\% | -14\% | -13\% | 17\% |
| Fixed | -3\% | -1\% | 16\% | 23\% | 15\% | 35\% | 17\% |
| 25\% Stair Step | 17\% | 27\% | 17\% | 14\% | 3\% | 25\% | 17\% |
| 50\% Stair Step | 37\% | 55\% | 17\% | 4\% | -8\% | 14\% | 17\% |
| 75\% Stair Step | 57\% | 83\% | 18\% | -6\% | -20\% | 3\% | 17\% |
| 5-year Survey Avg. | 77\% | 111\% | 19\% | -16\% | -32\% | -8\% | 17\% |
| 50\% Stair Step from 2021 | 47\% | 64\% | 18\% | 0\% | -7\% | 5\% | 17\% |

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## 40 APPORTIONMENT HARVEST RATE

|  | Area |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | ---: |
| Method | AI | BS | WG | CG | WY $^{\star}$ | EY $^{\star}$ | ABC |
| Status Quo | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.14 | 0.10 | 0.06 |
| (Fixed at Current) |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2020 5-year Survey Avg. | 0.05 | 0.04 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.08 | 0.06 |
| Fixed*** | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.06 |
| 25\% Stair Step | 0.03 | 0.03 | 0.06 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.06 |
| 50\% Stair Step | **** | $\mathbf{0 . 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 4}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 6}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 0 9}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1 1}$ | $\mathbf{0 . 1 0}$ |
| 75\% Stair Step | 0.04 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.06 |
| 5-year Survey Avg. |  | 0.05 | 0.05 | 0.07 | 0.07 | 0.08 | 0.08 |
| 50\% Stair Step from 2021\# | 0.04 | 0.04 | 0.06 | 0.09 | 0.11 | 0.09 | 0.06 |

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## 41 LL SURVEY BIOMASS PROPORTIONS BY REGION

| Year | BS | AI | WG | CG | WY | EY |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1990 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.11 | 0.30 | 0.12 | 0.20 |
| 1991 | 0.07 | 0.13 | 0.09 | 0.29 | 0.13 | 0.29 |
| 1992 | 0.07 | 0.10 | 0.05 | 0.31 | 0.17 | 0.30 |
| 1993 | 0.03 | 0.12 | 0.12 | 0.32 | 0.14 | 0.27 |
| 1994 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.09 | 0.30 | 0.13 | 0.27 |
| 1995 | 0.10 | 0.12 | 0.11 | 0.32 | 0.12 | 0.24 |
| 1996 | 0.10 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.37 | 0.11 | 0.22 |
| 1997 | 0.09 | 0.09 | 0.10 | 0.37 | 0.11 | 0.23 |
| 1998 | 0.08 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 0.29 | 0.10 | 0.23 |
| 1999 | 0.07 | 0.18 | 0.10 | 0.33 | 0.09 | 0.22 |
| 2000 | 0.08 | 0.17 | 0.15 | 0.30 | 0.08 | 0.22 |
| 2001 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.30 | 0.06 | 0.18 |
| 2002 | 0.14 | 0.15 | 0.13 | 0.33 | 0.08 | 0.17 |
| 2003 | 0.13 | 0.15 | 0.15 | 0.33 | 0.08 | 0.16 |
| 2004 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.10 | 0.37 | 0.10 | 0.17 |
| 2005 | 0.16 | 0.11 | 0.16 | 0.28 | 0.07 | 0.22 |
| 2006 | 0.16 | 0.14 | 0.12 | 0.31 | 0.09 | 0.18 |
| 2007 | 0.18 | 0.12 | 0.08 | 0.29 | 0.10 | 0.22 |
| 2008 | 0.19 | 0.14 | 0.11 | 0.31 | 0.08 | 0.17 |
| 2009 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.16 | 0.33 | 0.09 | 0.22 |
| 2010 | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.10 | 0.31 | 0.15 | 0.28 |
| 2011 | 0.05 | 0.11 | 0.12 | 0.40 | 0.10 | 0.22 |
| 2012 | 0.05 | 0.15 | 0.11 | 0.35 | 0.09 | 0.25 |
| 2013 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 0.08 | 0.30 | 0.08 | 0.22 |
| 2014 | 0.20 | 0.13 | 0.11 | 0.26 | 0.09 | 0.21 |
| 2015 | 0.11 | 0.14 | 0.08 | 0.30 | 0.14 | 0.22 |
| 2016 | 0.10 | 0.22 | 0.13 | 0.26 | 0.12 | 0.18 |
| 2017 | 0.13 | 0.21 | 0.10 | 0.29 | 0.10 | 0.17 |
| 2018 | 0.12 | 0.27 | 0.15 | 0.25 | 0.06 | 0.15 |
| 2019 | 0.24 | 0.23 | 0.10 | 0.20 | 0.07 | 0.16 |
| 2020 | 0.23 | 0.26 | 0.11 | 0.23 | 0.05 | 0.13 |
|  | 0.32 | 0.23 | 0.10 | 0.19 | 0.05 | 0.11 |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 2021 | 0.10 |  |  |  |  |  |

## TRAFFIC LIGHT TABLE

| Indicator category | Indicator | 2017 <br> Status | 2018 <br> Status | 2019 <br> Status | $2020$ <br> Status | $2021$ <br> Status |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Physical | Annual Heatwave GOA Model | neutral | neutral | high | neutral | neutral |
|  | Spring Temperature Surface EGOA Satellite | neutral | neutral | high | neutral | neutral |
|  | Spring Temperature Surface SEBS Satellite | neutral | high | high | high | neutral |
|  | Summer Temperature 250m GOA Survey | neutral | neutral | neutral | neutral | neutral |
| Lower Trophic | Spring Chlorophyll a Biomass EGOA Satellite | neutral | neutral | neutral | low | neutral |
|  | Spring Chlorophyll a Biomass SEBS Satellite | low | neutral | low | neutral | neutral |
|  | Spring Chlorophyll a Peak EGOA Satellite | neutral | low | neutral | low | neutral |
|  | Spring Chlorophyll a Peak SEBS Satellite | low | high | neutral | neutral | neutral |
|  | Annual Copepod Community Size EGOA Survey | neutral | low | low | neutral | NA |
|  | Annual Copepod Community Size WGOA Survey | neutral | low | high | neutral | NA |
|  | Summer Euphausiid Abundance Kodiak Survey | low | NA | neutral | NA | NA |
|  | Annual Sablefish Growth YOY Middleton Survey | neutral | neutral | high | neutral | neutral |
| Upper <br> Trophic | Summer Sablefish CPUE Juvenile Nearshore GOAAI Survey | neutral | high | high | high | high |
|  | Summer Sablefish Age-1 GOA Survey | high | NA | neutral | NA | neutral |
|  | Annual Sablefish Mean Age Female Adult Model | neutral | neutral | low | low | NA |
|  | Annual Sablefish Age Evenness Female Adult Model | low | low | low | low | NA |
|  | Summer Sablefish Condition Female Age4 GOA Survey | low | neutral | low | neutral | NA |
|  | Annual Arrowtooth Biomass GOA Model | neutral | neutral | neutral | neutral | NA |
|  | Annual Sablefish Incidental Catch ATF Target GOA Fishery | high | high | high | neutral | neutral |
|  | Summer Sablefish Condition Female Adult GOA Survey | low | neutral | neutral | neutral | neutral |

## TRAFFIC LIGHT TABLE

| Indicator category | Indicator | 2017 <br> Status | 2018 <br> Status | 2019 <br> Status | 2020 <br> Status | 2021 <br> Status |
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| Fishery Performance | Annual Sablefish Longline CPUE GOA Fishery | low | low | low | neutral | neutral |
|  | Annual Sablefish Pot CPUE EBS Fishery | neutral | neutral | high | high | high |
|  | Annual Sablefish Incidental Catch GOA Fishery | neutral | high | high | high | low |
|  | Annual Sablefish Incidental Catch BSAI Fishery | neutral | neutral | high | high | high |
|  | Annual Sablefish Condition Female Adult GOA Fishery | neutral | neutral | neutral | high | low |
|  | Annual Sablefish Condition Female Adult BSAI Fishery | NA | NA | NA | NA | NA |
| Economic | Annual Sablefish Real Exvessel Value Fishery | neutral | neutral | low | low | NA |
|  | Annual Sablefish Real Exvessel Price Fishery | high | neutral | low | low | NA |

## 44 FISHERY CPUE BY AREA

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## 45 WHALE DEPREDATION

Survey Corrections



## Area Depredation Fishery



Bering Sea


Western Gulf of Alaska


West Yakutat


Aleutian Islands


Central Gulf


Southeast


## 46 MATURITY CURVE COMPARISONS

Maturity Curves


——Williams\&Rodgveller Age-Based GLM No Skipped Spawning (21.2_Mat_Age_GLM_No_SS)
Williams\&Rodgveller Age-Based GAM (21.3_Mat_Age_GAM)
_Williams\&Rodgveller Age-Length GAM (Pre-1996; 21.4_Mat_AL_GAM \& 21.5_Upd_Bio_AL_Mat)
_Williams\&Rodgveller Age-Length GAM (Post-1996; 21.4_Mat_AL_GAM)
—Williams\&Rodgveller Age-Length GAM (Post-1996; 21.5_Upd_Bio_AL-Mat)

## 47 ESTIMATED SELECTIVITY

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## 48 DECREASING FISHING MORTALITY












## 49 MODEL 16.5_CONT FIT TO AGES



Decent fit to high LL survey age comps for recent cohorts, but underestimates age-3 and age-4 abundance. Overestimating cohort sizes as they age in fishery.

## 50 MODEL 21.12 FIT TO AGES



Overestimation of age-2 abundance. Underestimation of age-3+age-4 abundance. Good fit to cohort decay in fishery.

## 51 RETROSPECTIVE BIAS, RESOLVED?


21.12_Proposed_No_Skip_Spawn


## HISTORICAL ASSESSMENT RETRO 52 (MODEL 16.5_CONT)



SSB (kt) Comparison


