Council Motion
D-3 Universal Data Collection
October 10, 2022

The Council directs staff to provide an expanded discussion paper evaluating implementation of a universal data collection program to collect ADFG or CFEC crew license data; crew compensation; and number of crew positions on vessels operating in federal fisheries. Staff should evaluate the scale of data to be collected by fishery and area and outline a simple annual collection mechanism(s) and associated cost/burden. The paper should also evaluate the associated analytical value and ability of NMFS to collect quota lease costs as part of the annual quota applications administered by the NMFS Restricted Access Management Division, for those programs that currently do not report lease costs.