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Action Memo

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Eric Olson, Chairman
Chris Oliver, Executive Director

SUBJECT:
Observer Program Annual Report Outline

ESTIMATED TIME:
4 hours (all Observer Issues)

ACTION REQUIRED:
Review outline for the Observer Program Annual Report that is scheduled for presentation in June 2014.

BACKGROUND:
As part of the Council's final motion recommending the restructured Observer Program in October 2010, the Council requested that the agency provide an annual report on the observer program. The report, which is scheduled to be presented to the Council each June, is intended to analyze the performance of the prior year's annual deployment plan, provide detailed information on the financial aspects of the program, and identify how industry participants have adapted to and been able to accommodate the new program.

While a preliminary report was presented to the Council in June 2013, with only the first four months of data under the new program, June 2014 will be the first time that the full report is presented, with all elements, and assessing a full year of fishing (in 2013) under the new program. In preparation for the June annual report, the agency will present the draft outline at this meeting, and provide the Council with an opportunity to provide feedback. The draft outline will be available after January 31.