

## PRODUCTS DESIRED FROM APRIL POLICY MEETING

At this policy meeting, the Council will consider a host of questions that could have far reaching ramifications on how we do business and improve our overall decision-making system. The types of questions asked in the supporting materials hopefully will lead to in-depth discussions and concrete recommendations on which the staff can follow up. At the minimum, we hope to get the following products from these three days of meetings:

<u>Agenda Item</u>	<u>Desired Products</u>
II. Improving the Council Decision Process	
A. Management Objectives	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Assign workgroups for each FMP.</li><li>- Directions to review FMP and fisheries and develop short- and long-range objectives.</li><li>- Set tight guidelines and schedule for this review.</li></ul>
B. Procedures and Documentation	
1. Proposals: Gathering and Processing	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Develop and approve explicit policy statement for questions a-e.</li></ul>
2. Decision Documents	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Develop and approve explicit policy statement for questions a &amp; b.</li><li>- Develop and approve explicit policy for questions c, e-h.</li><li>- Set up group to work with BOF on screening and analyzing proposals of mutual concern.</li></ul>
C. Task Assignments and Interagency Relationships	
1. Plan Teams	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Review role and current policy.</li><li>- Draft new policy with explicit instructions for membership and role.</li></ul>
2-3. Staff and Agencies	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Written agreement on agency/Council roles in drafting documents, etc.</li></ul>
D. Annual Management Cycles	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>- Set annual management and meeting cycles with definite action points.</li></ul>

III. Beyond the Council and Regional Level

A. Budget Process

- Set schedule for budget review and input to NMFS budget process.
- Draft written agreement with NOAA.
- Confirm or change programmatic funding policy.

IV. Council Policy Considerations

- Review, change or confirm current practices and policies on AP, SSC and Council.

V. Draft Recommendations for the Future of Fisheries Mgmt.

- Review, confirm or change draft, and approve.

VII. Inter-Council Communication

- Review and recommend any desired changes.

VIII. May and July Agendas

- Recommended additions or deletions.