North Pacific Fishery Management Council Motion E Staff Tasking - PSEIS October 11, 2022

The Council initiates a discussion paper for a roadmap and timeline for reevaluating the Programmatic Groundfish SEIS, in order to better address the impacts of climate change on our marine ecosystems and on the people who are dependent on those ecosystems. The discussion paper should include the following:

- Outline of the information relevant to understanding the impacts of groundfish fisheries that will be necessary for revising the PSEIS, such as a compilation of new assessments of the impacts of climate change.
- Assessment of how existing Council initiatives as well as other related efforts such as the ACLIM project will inform Council reevaluation of the PSEIS (e.g. Climate Change Taskforce work, SSC workshops)
- Primer on the 2004 PSEIS, its structure and alternatives; a summary of the findings from periodic reviews of the PSEIS; and guidelines for what would be required in a new evaluation
- Discussion of available and new opportunities to ensure robust tribal and stakeholder engagement in Council consideration of alternatives for a revised PSEIS
- A timeline for how to framework ongoing initiatives, staff work, and public input opportunities