

STATUS OF COUNCIL TASKING

January 29, 1996

| <u>ACTION</u> | <u>STATUS</u> | <u>TASKING</u> |
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| REPORTS: | | |
| 1 Halibut Charter Management | Review RFP for analysis in January 1996 Initial analysis in Sept 1996 | Council |
| 2 Improved Retention/Utilization | Report in January 1996 Analysis in June 1996 | Region/Council/Center |
| 3 Sablefish/Halibut IFQ Fisheries | Implementation Team report in January 1996 | State/RAM Division |
| 4 Sablefish/Halibut IFQ Fisheries Analysis | Report in April 1996 | State/RAM Division |
| 5 Modified Observer Program | Report/Action in April 1996 | Region/Council/OOC |
| 6 Individual Bycatch Quotas (IBQs) | Report in January 1996 Analysis in April 1996 | Center/Council/Region |
| 7 Salmon Foundation Report | Report in January 1996 | Salmon Foundation |
| 8 Moratorium Implementation | Report in January 1996 | NMFS/RAM Division/Region |
| 9 Scale Weight Measurement | Report in January 1996 | NMFS |
| 10 Council/BOF Meeting | Report in January 1996 | Council/BOF |
| 11 State management of groundfish | Report in January 1996 | ADF&G |
| REGULATORY AMENDMENTS: | | |
| 1 Seamount Restrictions | Proposed Rule in preparation | Region |
| 2 Halibut Grid Sorting | Final action in January 1996 | Council/IPHC |
| 3 Electronic Reporting Requirements | Proposed Rule on August 31 Comments until Sept 29 | Region |
| 4 AI extended sablefish season | Proposed Rule in preparation | Council/Region |

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| 5 Allow IFQ fishing in multiple areas (interim Final Rule) | Effective August 25, 1995 Final Rule pending | Region |
| 6 Mesh Size Reg. Amendment | Proposed Rule pending | Council/Region |
| 7 GOA Pollock Trimester allocations | Initial action in Dec 1995 Final action in Jan 1996 | Region/Council |
| 8 Overhaul of Recordkeeping & Reporting requirements | Proposed Rule on Sept 8 Comments by Oct 20 | Region |
| 9 Pollock 'B' Season delay | Analysis in preparation Decision in April 1996 | Council |
| 10 'C' Season for fixed gear cod | Decision in April 1996 | Region/Council |
| 11 Directed Fishing Standards adjustments | Initiated in December 1995 In preparation | Region |

PLAN AMENDMENTS:

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| 1 Moratorium | Final Rule on August 10 Effective January 1, 1996 | Council/Region |
| 2a Halibut/Sablefish IFQ Buydown | Initial Review in Dec 1995 Final Action in January 1996 | Council/Region |
| 2b Halibut/Sablefish IFQ Sweep-up | Initial Review in January 1996 | Council/Region |
| 3 Salmon Retention/Delivery | EFP extended through 1996 pollock 'A' season | Region |
| 4 Chinook Salmon /Bycatch Closure Areas (Am 21b) | SOC approved Nov 20, 1995 Effective January 1, 1996 | Region |
| 5 Comp. Rationalization Plan (a) License Limitation (b) IFQ Program for BSAI pollock (c) IBQ/VBA program | (a) PR in preparation (b) Discuss in Jan 1996 (c) Discuss in Jan 1996 | Council |
| 6 Scallop FMP/Amendment 1 | FMP Final on Aug 29, 1995 Am 1 PR in preparation | Region/Council |
| 7 Total Weight Measurement in Groundfish Fisheries | Advance Notice of Proposed Rulemaking pending | Region |

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| 8 Inshore/offshore continuation and Pollock CDQ program | Approved by SOC Final Rule on Dec 12 | Council |
| 9 CDQ Compensation exemption & one-time transfer (32/36) | Proposed Rule on Oct 13 Comments due November 24 | Council/Region |
| 10 Allow freezing of non-IFQ species/prohibit halibut catcher QS use on FLs | Proposed Rule in preparation | Council/Region |
| 11 Bristol Bay Red King Crab Trawl Closure Area | Final Action in Sept 1995 Implemented by in-season authority through March 1996 | Council/ADFG |
| 12 Distribute halibut PSC savings | On hold pending other actions. | Council |
| 13 Demersal Shelf Rockfish License Limitation Program | Report in January 1996 | ADFG |
| 14 Amend Overfishing Definitions | Initial review April 1996 | Center/Council/Region |
| 15 Forage Fish Prohibition | Initial review in April 1996 | Region |
| 16 Amend POP Rebuilding Plan | Final review in Dec 1995 PR in preparation | Council/Region |
| 17 Crab PSC Cap Analysis | Analysis in preparation | Council/ADFG/Center |
| 18 Northeast Bristol Bay Closure | Analysis in preparation | Council/ADFG/Region |
| 19 Inseason flexibility to adjust Tanner crab PSCs | Review in January 1996 | Region/Council |
| 20 BSAI cod gear allocations | Report in January 1996 (Expires in December '96) Analysis due April 1996 | Council |
| 21 Halibut Area 4 Catch Sharing Plan | Final action December 1995 | Council/IPHC |

OTHER ACTIONS:

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| 1 April 24, 1994 Scallop Control Date | Published on June 15, 1994 | Region |
| 2 Halibut Charter Control Date | Never published in F.R. | Region |

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| 3 | Skipper License Program | On hold pending other priorities | Council/Region |
| 4 | Council Operations | Discuss in January 1996 | Council |