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Action Memo

File Number: Crab 15-002

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Dan Hull, Chairman Chris Oliver, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Norton Sound Red King Crab OFL/ABC

ESTIMATED TIME:

2 hours

ACTION REQUIRED:

Establish OFL and ABC for Norton Sound red king crab stock.

BACKGROUND:

The Crab Plan Team convened a one-day meeting January 16, 2015 to review the assessment for the Norton Sound red king crab stock and provide their recommended OFL and ABC. The review of this stock is now scheduled for this time period outside of the spring/fall specifications cycle in order to accommodate the potential timing of the May CDQ fishery opening. The Crab Plan Team minutes are attached as are the assessment itself and the introduction section of the Crab SAFE report for this stock. This introduction section summarizes the recommended specifications for this stock. This summary will also be included in the final 2015 Crab SAFE.