

D1 Salmon Bycatch

- The SSC **appreciates** the tremendous advances that have been made in our ability to accurately quantify impacts of salmon bycatch on particular stocks of origin that may be of management concern.
- The SSC **supports** additional analyses to evaluate whether the current management structure is effective in reducing bycatch of Western Alaska Chinook stocks.
- The SSC **suggests** that the management of salmon bycatch could benefit from clearly laying out the major possibilities inherent in the data and developing a clear set of management objectives that could be addressed to make optimum use of the data in the future.
- The SSC **supports** updating the age-length key for Chinook salmon to improve Adult Equivalency (AEQ) models for BSAI Chinook salmon, and the development of an AEQ model for Chinook salmon in the GOA.