

EFH Timeline (updated 6/25/2015)

Month/Year	Item/Issue
Aug 2015	Draft EFH GAM Descriptions and LEI results available. Models tested.
Sept 2015	Preliminary update to Groundfish Plan Teams on fishing effects results and EFH description methodology, draft habitat priorities questionnaire. Coordinate with Crab, Scallop, Salmon, and Arctic leads and assessment authors.
Oct 2015	Draft EFH GAM Descriptions and LEI results available. Models undergo testing. Oct Council Meeting. Update Council, as appropriate.
Nov-Dec 2015	Incorporate feedback and finalize subgroup recommendations for EFH description methodology, fishing effects, and non-fishing effects.
DEC 2015	Council Meeting Subgroup recommendations complete
Jan-Feb 2016	Stock assessment authors review EFH for target stocks under the 6 Council FMPs
March 2016	Assemble draft summary report
APR 2016	Draft Summary Report for Council review (Ecosystem Committee, SSC) Council may discuss HAPC priorities and initiate any call for HAPC proposals
Apr-May 2016	Revise report based on Council recommendations.
May 2016	Draft Report to BSAI Crab Plan Team
June 2016	Final Summary Report for Council Review. Council decision as to whether to initiate action based on report (e.g., initiate analysis of FMP amendments to implement EFH changes) If appropriate, initial screening of HAPC proposals for adherence to Council priorities; Council selects proposals to go forward for review
Jun - Sep 2016	If requested, staff prepare amendment analysis for EFH changes Staff and Plan Teams review HAPC proposals for ecological merit, and socioeconomic and enforcement issues
Oct 2016	Initial review draft of FMP amendments for EFH changes Council decision on whether to formulate HAPC proposals into an amendment analysis
TBD	Council final action on FMP amendments; as analysis dictates.
TBD	Initial review of HAPC amendment analysis; as analysis dictates.
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