

Agenda Item I-2 December, 1979

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 7, 1979

TO:

Council Members, Scientific & Statistical Committee and

Advisory Panel

FROM:

Jim H. Branson

SUBJECT:

The Applicability of Limited Entry for the Halibut Fishery off

Alaska . . . A Request for Proposal

ACTION REQUIRED

Approval to release the RFP to bidders and to designate funding.

BACKGROUND

In August Bruce Hart prepared a draft RFP to gather information which would assist the Council in deciding whether to apply limited entry to the halibut fishery off Alaska. Since that time his RFP has been reviewed by the SSC and AP and has been approved by both for distribution. The RFP has also been reviewed by the IPHC and been assigned SSC and AP subgroup monitors; Ed Miles and Rich Marasco (SSC) and Al Otness and Bob Alverson (AP).

The Limited Entry Working Group met in Juneau on December 5th to discuss the direction and objectives of the RFP. That working group recommended the RFP be released as written with the major objective of the proposed study to gather information to help decide whether to apply limited entry to the halibut fishery.

If this RFP is approved, the call for proposals would go out in mid-December with the request deadline mid to late January, 1980. A contractor could be selected at the next Council meeting.

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