Advisory Panel C1 Motion - BSAI Crab October 2024

## ADVISORY PANEL Motions and Rationale October 1-3, 2024 - Anchorage, AK

## C1 BSAI Crab

## Motion

The AP recommends the Council adopt the 2024 Crab SAFE Report, as well as the 2024-25 OFL and ABC as recommended by the SSC for EBS Snow Crab, Bristol Bay Red King Crab, EBS Tanner Crab and St. Matthew Island Blue King Crab.

Motion passed unanimously: 20/0

## **Rationale in Favor of Motion:**

- The AP appreciates the continued diligence of the BSAI Plan Team and SSC in developing models and assessing the status and dynamics of the BSAI crab stocks.
- The AP thanks the SSC for reviewing the CPT EBS snow crab recommendations and taking a second look reviewing the CPTs original recommendations.
- The AP understands that the SSC recommendation for Snow Crab allows for the chance of a directed fishery, while the model that the plan team recommended would not have allowed the opportunity for a directed fishery.