

HCR workshop context

- Expecting **fewer resources** and **new administrative priorities** (EO 14276)
- Fewer resources suggests prioritizing approaches & modifications achievable with existing resources, building on completed or ongoing analyses (ACLIM/GOACLIM work)
- EO includes requests to Regional FMCs and other elements relevant to HCR discussions

HCR workshop context

- Guidance to RFMCs to identify actions that should:
 - Stabilize markets → prioritize HCRs favoring catch stability?
 - (Improve Access)
 - (Enhance Economic Profitability)
 - Prevent closures → prioritize HCRs that minimize risks of closures
- In addition, request to increase production
 - Focus on highly productive species in HCR analyses?
 - Cap analyses & discussion to assess climate-related risks & benefits of cap

Other considerations based on crab discussions

- Uncertainty about productivity and reproductive capacity of snow crab, in part climate related(?)
- For both crab & groundfish, climate-related uncertainty incorporated in buffers
 - consider climate-related uncertainty in HCRs instead
- Reference time series (recruitment / biomass)
 - consider systematic approach to determining appropriate time periods that best addresses changing productivity