SUBJECT:
Workplan for BSAI Crab Rationalization 10-Year Program Review

ESTIMATED TIME:
2 hours

ACTION REQUIRED:
Provide guidance on the policy scope for the BSAI crab rationalization 10-year program review.

BACKGROUND:
As a part of the initial development of the BSAI crab rationalization program, the Council requested a series of program reviews as a formal and comprehensive way to objectively evaluate how the program is working and identify areas that could be improved. By Council direction, a 10-year review of the BSAI crab rationalization program should be scheduled for 2015. The objective of this workplan is to describe the proposed scope of review.

While the crab rationalization program does not have a check-list of required elements that must be included in a program review, there are a number of authoritative sources and guidance documents that can assist in defining the policy scope for evaluation. The workplan highlights these sources and discusses the guidance provided. This is followed by an annotated table of contents derived from the table of contents for the 5-year review of the crab program.

The Council may wish to provide additional guidance on the workplan in order to meet the current needs of the program, its participants, as well as stakeholders and communities affected by the program. Once the policy scope is determined, this framework will be presented to the SSC for discussion on the methodological approach to program evaluation at a Council meeting in the near future.