

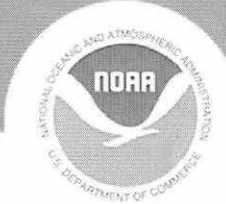
Science, Service, Stewardship



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NMFS Management Report

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Observer Program

- Implementation – pretty smooth
- Massive team effort, including industry (thanks)
- Progress on EM
- Litigation response

Inseason Management

- Ongoing success

Highlights

Speedier rulemaking

- Moving backlog
- Meeting big deadlines

Steller Sea Lion EIS

- Meeting deadlines
- Another team effort
- Litigation response

National Initiatives

- Leaders in many



Challenge Expectations don't meet capacity

Hiring Freeze – Slowly losing staff

Budget – Sequestration & Shutdown

Initiatives, Laws, and Litigation

Increasing role for NMFS expertise



So, what do we do ?

Plan -- Improve the process
we have (a joint effort)

Prioritize -- Start what we
can, finish what we must

Be Accountable -- set
targets and meet them