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Cook Inlet Salmon FMP Committee

Recommendation

Recommendation: The Council move forward to analysis with Alternative 2: Cooperative management with the state.

Discussion Paper, Section 2.4.2 Alternative 2: Cooperative management with the state

Procedures for FMP Implementation (Federal/State)

4. ADF&G will provide the information on which to base State fishing regulations and will consult with the NMFS (Alaska Region and Alaska Fisheries Science Center), NOAA General Counsel, and other fishery management or research agencies in order to prevent duplication of effort and assure consistency with the Magnuson-Stevens Act, the FMP, and other applicable Federal law.

Recommendation: ADF&G and NMFS will work in collaboration to provide information on which to base fishing regulations. Federal resources will be provided to obtain the best scientific information available when determining Cook Inlet salmon stock assessment, both in river and for the off-shore test boat fishery. Clear criteria will be implemented for the state of Alaska to adhere to in order to provide information consistent with MSA, FMP, etc.