

ADVISORY PANEL REPORT

C4, C5, D1, E



C4 – COOK INLET SALMON

- The AP recommends that the Council adopt Alternative 2, federal management with delegation to the State, as its preliminary preferred alternative (PPA) during this meeting.
- *Motion passed 22-0.*



C5 – OBSERVER/EM TRAWL

- The AP supports the NMFS recommendations in the Draft 2021 Annual Deployment Plan (ADP) and expanded recommendations proposed by the partial coverage Fishery Monitoring Advisory Committee (FMAC). This includes the 2021 coverage rates, the port-based deployment model, maintaining the fixed-gear EM pool, support of the pelagic trawl EM EFP, deployment of shore-based observer sampling resources, and ²**to limit the use of waivers ²on a case-by-case basis. ²when ¹absolutely ²necessary.**
- The AP also recommends that NMFS produce an abbreviated Annual Report for the June 2021 Council meeting. prioritize staff resources on analytical tasks to further EM integration, zero selection, bias metrics re-evaluation, and cost efficiencies analysis already tasked for the partial coverage program.
- *Amendment¹ passed 22-0.*
- *Amendment² passed 13-9.*
- *Motion as amended passed 18-4.*



D1 – SURVEY PLANNING

- The AP recommends that the Council prioritizes ~~surveys in~~ **includes** the Gulf of Alaska in **the list of surveys** ~~priorities~~ in 2021.
- *Amendment passed 21-1*
- *Motion as amended passed 17-5*



E – STAFF TASKING

- **Sablefish pot 3-year review**
 - The Advisory Panel recommends that the Council move forward during the 2021 meeting cycle with the previously scheduled and tabled “GOA sablefish pots: 3-year review” process.
 - *Motion passed 22-0*



E – STAFF TASKING

- **Processing B and C Sablefish IFQ Onboard**
 - The AP recommends that the Council consider a discussion paper that analyzes the allowance of onboard processing of sablefish B and C shares as an amendment to the Halibut and Sablefish IFQ program. All vessel length restrictions and owner-onboard provisions would remain unchanged within the B and C class designations, and this discussion paper would only analyze the effects of removing the processing-at-sea restriction.
 - *Motion passed 15-7*

