

Ad Hoc Bycatch Committee Amendment Proposal Ranking

Con.	Bio.	Committee Priority	
0	0.3	High	1 Hotspot Authority in GOA (and revised hotspot authority in BSAI).
0	0.1	Deleted	2 Require all groundfish harvests to be weighed or measured volumetrically. Suboption 1: could differ by sector, for example, weigh onshore, volumetrics at sea. Suboption 2: Require all groundfish to be quantified by the most accurate method possible.
1	1	High	3 Close trawling in Eastern GOA east of 140W.
		Deleted	4 Review effectiveness of all Time/Season/area closures, including:
		Extended Cycle	A) Close Seward Gully to sablefish and Pacific cod longlining to save halibut bycatch. B) Depth restrictions on sablefish longlining in GOA to protect halibut • include seasonal depth restrictions.
0.5	0.3	Extended Cycle	C) Time/area closure of the Unimak Pass area.
0.5	0.3	Extended Cycle	D) Close bottom trawling around the Pribilof Islands to protect king crab.
1	1	Extended Cycle	E) Year round closure of Zone 1 to bottom trawling.
		Deleted	F) Delay season opening dates
0.3	1	High	5 Prohibition of night trawling for Pacific cod.
		Deleted	6 Check-in, check-out for specific fisheries.
		Extended Cycle	7 Require real time (COMSAT) communication equipment on vessels.
		Deleted	8 Provide Council the authority to allocate trawl PSC in GOA by fishery. (or "to allocate PSC for all fisheries in GOA by fishery")
		Deleted	9 Continuation of current Incentive Program.
		Deleted	10 Apportion outstanding quarterly bycatch to any remaining quarter.
		Deleted	11 Gear modifications.
		Deleted	12 Provide authority to apportion PSC by area in GOA and BSAI.
1	1	High	13 Review Halibut PSC cap options: A) Base line/floating caps for halibut in BSAI/GOA. B) Reduce BSAI PSC cap 10% per year (5300mt to 4800mt) C) Reduce BSAI PSC cap of 5300mt to 4500 mt
1	1	High	D) Establish halibut PSC limit for longliners in BSAI. Options: 500, 1,000 and 1,500 MT.
1	1	Extended Cycle	14 Prohibit longlining 10-14 days before halibut season in GOA to discourage prospecting. Suboption: limit the prohibition to those that have registered to fish halibut
1+	1+	Regular Cycle	15 Halibut bycatch by gear types: A) Fixed groundfish gear preference for Pacific cod.
		Regular Cycle	B) Include all gears under the bycatch limits, and preferentially allocate PSC to gears or fisheries that demonstrate the lowest bycatch mortality (IPHC).
		Deleted	16 Change halibut accounting in BSAI from halibut handled to mortality of halibut discarded.(IPHC)
		Deleted	17 Retention of Halibut.
		Deleted	18 Mortality reduction measures.
		Deleted	19 Floating caps for crab in BSAI/GOA.
0.3	0.3	High	20 GOA rockfish options: delay opening date (to July 15).
		Extended Cycle	21 Review BS herring savings area.
0.5	0.3	Amended	22 Modify/limit rocksole fishery in BS. Combine rocksole with YFSol/oth flats and delay fishery until May 1.
1	2	High	23 Controls on salmon bycatch. ADF&G time/area closure and season opening delay. Analysis for BSAI and, if Time Allows, for GOA.
		Deleted	24 Require vessels to register for midwater or bottom trawling.
		Deleted	25 Prohibit all trawling for a species if bottom trawling for that species is closed.
		Deleted	26 Prohibit trawling in the GOA by vessels with hb greater than ____.