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Reply: During the CIE review, we conducted this sensitivity study. The NMFS and BSFRF have examined biological, environmental, and vessel performance data on the 2014 NMFS trawl survey extensively. It is unlikely that we would drop this data point in the stock assessments since there are several data points in the survey time series that are as unexpected as the 2014 data.

9. *Important to continue environmental SAFE reports.*

Reply: We agree and hopefully it will be updated annually.

10. *Besides overfished and overfishing, using MMB, recruitment, trends in commercial catch and CPUE, legal-size abundance and total survey biomass, and the projections and near future outlook to summarize the stock status.*

Reply: We will add these in our summary of the stock status.

11. *Modeling double bag experiment and BSFRF side-by-side survey data to improve the catchability prior.*

Reply: This is a good suggestion. However, we do not use BSFRF side-by-side survey data to estimate the NMFS trawl catchability prior because we do not want to use these data twice since they are used in the model already.

12. *Conducting new tagging study to update the outdated tagging/return data used in the assessments.*

Reply: We agree with this recommendation. Hopefully, tagging study will be conducted for BBRKC in the future.