



D4 Workplan for Amendment 80 Program and Allocation Review

October 2022 Council Meeting

Action Memo

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Action Required: Review workplan and provide feedback as necessary

Background

At this meeting, the Council and its advisory bodies will review the workplan for the required first 7-year program review for the Amendment 80 Program and the workplan for the required allocation review to solicit input on issues that should be included as part of the reviews.

The Amendment 80 Program (AM80 Program) has been in place since the 2008 fishing year. Section 303A(c)(1)(G) of the Magnuson-Stevens Fishery Conservation Act states that all Limited Access Privilege Programs (LAPP) must include provisions for regular monitoring and review. A formal and detailed review must occur 5 years after implementation of the LAPP (which occurred in October 2014) and every 7 years thereafter. This 7-year review will assess whether the program is continuing to meet the Council's original goals and, if not, highlight those program areas that appear to diverge from those goals.

In addition, the Council is also required to conduct an AM80 Program allocation review based on NMFS Fisheries Allocation Policy Directive that was published in July 2016. Allocation reviews are intended to be a brief periodic review of the allocation to ensure that the optimal yield is being achieved under current conditions.