ADVISORY PANEL Motions and Rationale December 5-8, 2023 - Anchorage, AK

C6 Crab FMP Housekeeping Amendment- Final Action

The AP recommends the Council take final action and select Alternative 2 as its' preferred alternative. This action would replace the current BSAI KTC FMP with the revised version.

Alternative 2: Replace the BSAI KTC FMP with a revised version to include: updated contents on the status of stocks and fishing communities and allow for formatting consistent with other North Pacific FMPs.

Motion passed 15/0

Rationale in Favor of Motion:

- The revised BSAI KTC FMP provides a substantial update of the contents of the BSAI KTC FMP to appropriately describe the status of stocks, fishing communities and allows for an updated organizational structure of the document. The proposed revision to the BSAI KTC allows for increased accessibility and readability of the document and organization, which is consistent with other FMPs off of Alaska.
- This amendment presents no major substantive changes, just necessary updates to provide the council with an accurate FMP document and the best available science when making future management decisions.
- The AP appreciated the time and work that Council Staff put into completing the update, especially since it had been sitting in the batter's box for a significant length of time.