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The Council recommends the following preferred alternative. PSC limit is determined annually based on the most recent survey values. In the case of mid-year implementation, the PSC limit should be set using the most recent survey index values and applied to the lookup table in the preferred alternative.

		EBS shelf trawl survey index (t)	
		Low	High
		< 150,000	≥ 150,000
IPHC setline survey index in Area 4ABCDE (WPUE)	High	1,745 mt	1,745 mt
	≥ 11,000	(current limit)	(current limit)
	Medium	1,396 mt	1,571 mt
	8,000 – 10,999	(20% below current)	(10% below current)
	Low	1,309 mt	1,396 mt
	6,000-7,999	(25% below current)	(20% below current)
	Very Low	1,134 mt	1,134 mt
	< 6,000	(35% below current)	(35% below current)

The Council deems proposed regulations that clearly and directly flow from the provisions of this motion to be necessary and appropriate in accordance with section 303(c).

The Council authorizes the Executive Director and the Chairman to review the draft proposed regulations when provided by NMFS to ensure that the proposed regulations to be submitted to the Secretary under section 303(c) are consistent with these instructions.