Report of the Advisory Panel to the NPFCM June 24, 1977
Anchorage, Alaska

The Panel considered a presentation from Walt Jones, NMFS. In his developing a proposal for a fishery development, he wanted an expression from the advisors as to the species that should be considered for further development. Several species were suggested, including pollock, and blackcod. A sub-committee chaired by Rick Lauber was appointed.

Consideration of the tanner crab PMP followed with several recommendations adopted.

It was recommended that CPUE data and references in the Plan be standardized.

A motion was adopted that no foreign harvest of tanner crab be permitted south of 58° 39' N latitude. In addition, it was recommended that an OY for C. opilio south of 58° 39' be established to be determined by the anticipated U.S. harvest. Rationale was that this makes the Plan consistent with State regulations.

A motion was adopted that the $441 ex vessel price used (Page 51) should be adjusted to $727 per ton to reflect more current market prices.

A motion was adopted that whenever U.S. and foreign fisheries are being conducted in the same areas, management measures should be consistent for both U.S. and foreigners.

The Panel recommended that the tanner crab Plan accompanied by the Advisory Panel recommendations be adopted as a working document. The Advisory Panel requests that it be permitted to add additional recommendations be maintained.

The Advisory Panel discussed the Groundfish Management Plan, page 172. It was recommended that the term "1,500,000 fish" be converted to pounds (19,836,000) as being a more meaningful comparison.
A motion was adopted (page 254) that Option I B 2 be the option chosen. It was noted that on some species it would not be practical to hold 30 percent in abeyance.

A motion was adopted expressing preference for Option II A (page 256).

A lengthy discussion of the sablefish effort indicated concern that there could be a quantum jump in the domestic catch.

The following motion was adopted: (on page 259) Option numbered III C.

It was moved that the Groundfish Management Plan be adopted as a working document and that the Advisory Panel recommendations be made part of that document.

The Advisory Panel held a discussion on herring quotas and adopted a recommendation that the 1978 FAC for the Bering Sea herring fishery be reduced by 3,000 metric tons: the 1977 U.S. commercial catch. It is recommended that the 1978 allocation be 7,000 metric tons.

Rationale: The Advisory Panel feels very strongly that the TAC not be exceeded and would have asked that the FAC for 1977 be reduced but recognizes that the desired result can be obtained by adjusting the 1978 PMP.

A motion was adopted that there be no foreign fishery for herring east of 168° W. longitude.

The panel believes that bureaucratic needs are preempting the time required for meaningful scientific and advisory input. It did not want to provide figures in response to the June 17, 1977 letter of Robert Schoning, Director, NMFS, Washington, D.C.

Signed:
Keith Specking
Chairman
NPFMC Advisory Panel Meeting, June 22, 1977 at Council Headquarters

Keith Specking, Chairman
Nick Szabo, vice Chairman
R. Alverson
A.W. Boddy
Truman Emsberg
Sig. Jaeger
Charles Jensen
Joe Kurtz
Rick Lauber
Ray Lewis
Ken Olsen
Al Otness
Robert Starck

Also attended:

Jay Hastings
Ed Furia
Tom Casey
Walt Jones
Leader - Chairman
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- Gil Lewis
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- Chick
- and the meeting will be attended by Chairman
- medium
- Failing
- Sad cumulative
- Rich Lauder
- Research input much needed from
- increase from skills in 60% of average
- to align and present
- Nick Lember
Management Plan Review

Jaeger
- standardized reference to tanner plan, i.e. CPUE.

Nick Szabo

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OV for opilio

OV of 12,000 MT - foreign

58°37'

OV for opilio - U.S. fleet

Motion - no foreign harvest. South y 58°39' (Szabo)
- an OV opilio U.S. Fleet - South y 58°39'

DAE

Second - Paskell

Motion - reflect current price paid to the fishermen

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Public Hearing

Federal Register Notice
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The panel considered a presentation from Wally Jones, NMFS. In his developing a proposal for a fishing development, he wanted an expression from the Advisory as to what species should be considered for further development. Several species were suggested, including pollack and black cod. A subcommittee chaired by Rich Harlin was appointed on consideration of the Tanner Crab PMP, followed with several recommendations adopted. It was recommended that CPUE data and references in the plan be standardized. A motion was adopted that no foreign harvest of Tanner Crab be permitted south of 58° 31' N latitude. In addition, it was recommended that an OY for Alaska 5' 58° 39' be established to be determined by the anticipated U.S. harvest. Patches less than this would be allowed consistent with State regulations. A motion was adopted that the $4.41 per lb fixed price used (1975-76) should be
Adjusted to $7.27 per ton to reflect more current market prices.

A motion was adopted that whenever U.S. and foreign fisheries are being conducted in the same area, management measures should be consistent for both U.S. and foreign.

The panel recommends that the current catch plan accompanied by the advisory panel recommendation be adopted as a working document. The advisory panel suggests that if it be permitted to add additional recommendations, be maintained.

The advisory panel discussed the Groundfish Management plans. It was recommended that the term "1,500,000 fish" be converted to pounds (19,836,000) as being a more meaningful comparison.

A motion was adopted (page 254) that option 1 be the option chosen. It was noted that on some species it would not be practical to hold 50% in abeyance.
A motion was adopted expressing preference for Option II A (page 256). A lengthy discussion of the salmon fish effort indicated concern that there could be a quantum jump in the domestic side. The following motion was adopted:

"Add language attached 

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It was moved that the Northwest Management plan be adopted as a working document and that the advisory panel recommendations be made part of that document.

(On page 259) it read: a motion adopted the option on page 259 numbered III-C.

The advisory panel held a discussion on herring quotas and adopted a recommendation that the 1978 FAD for the Bering Sea herring fishery be reduced by 3000 metric tons, the
1977 U.S. Commercial Catch. It is
recommended that the 1978 U.S. Alloca
tion be 7000 metric tons.

Rationale: The advisory panel feels
very strongly that the FAC not be decreased
and would have advised that the FAC for
1977 be reduced but recognizes that the
desired result can be obtained by adjusting
the 1978 PMP.

A motion was adopted that there be
no foreign fishing for herring E of
168° W longitude.

The panel believes that
encouragement needs are prompting the
time required for meaningful scientific
and advisory input. It did not want
to provide figures in accordance to the
June 17, 1977 letter of Robert Schmiz
Director NMFS, Wash. D.C.

Signed
Keith Specter
Chairman
The advisory panel after deliberation of the OY, and DAC for blackcod associated with the Gulf of Alaska and the statistical area of S.E. Alaska finds that these allocations may be incomplete in light of increased ex-vessel prices, and increased available operating time of longline vessels suggest as an option, expanding the proposed sanctuary areas as a planned approach to total elimination of foreign longline fishing in SE Alaska and reassessment of the total OY for the entire gulf.

(Example no foreign longline fishing south of 58 12.

(The area indicated would include Cross Sound Gully, Salisbury Sound and Cape Edgecumbe.))