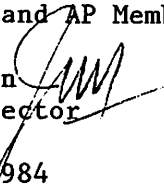


M E M O R A N D U M

TO: Council, SSC and AP Members

FROM: Jim H. Branson   
Executive Director

DATE: January 26, 1984

SUBJECT: Bering-Chukchi Sea Herring FMP

*ACTION REQUIRED*

*None; information only.*

BACKGROUND

The Council approved the Herring FMP at their September 1983 meeting. Preparation of supporting documents is still underway, and Secretarial review has not yet begun.

The Council established a herring research committee to look into data needs for Bering Sea herring management. This workgroup produced a draft Request for Proposal (RFP) for offshore herring research, and provided the Council with a report at the December meeting. The RFP is currently being reviewed by the workgroup. We had expected this RFP to be presented to the Council at this meeting, but unexpected delays have occurred. The RFP will be available for Council approval at the March meeting in Anchorage.