The Council accepts the AFA Program review as complete and final with the addition of the corrections and clarifications raised during the staff’s presentation in the AP, to the extent practicable. Staff should also include a section that summarizes key findings in the final review.

The Council recommends that staff initiate a discussion paper for an action that would prohibit directed fishing by regulation for those species as listed in the review document where the sideboard limits are not large enough to support a directed fishery and remove the sideboard for that species.