

## **North Pacific Fishery Management Council**

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## D3 BS FEP Climate Change Taskforce Workplan

April 2023 Council Meeting

## **Action Memo**

Council Staff: Dr. Diana Stram (CCTF Co-Chair)

Other Presenters: Dr. Kirstin Holsman (AFSC, CCTF Co-Chair)

Action Required: 1. Review CCTF meeting report

2. Provide direction as appropriate

## **BACKGROUND**

The Climate Change Taskforce (CCTF) met March 1-2, 2023 to review SSC comments on the climate readiness synthesis [Climate Readiness Synthesis (CRS)] and discuss plans for a Climate Scenario Planning workshop. The report from that meeting, the link to the CCTF March meeting eAgenda and the Council's October 2022 motion regarding the proposed workshop and CRS are posted.

The CCTF is seeking feedback on ideas for the scope and timing of the proposed workshop. The CCTF report also describes the response to SSC comments and how the Climate Readiness Synthesis will be revised to address them. This CRS is intended as a starting point for the North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) in ascertaining how "climate ready" the current management system is overall and to assist in augmenting existing management for improved climate resilience. This synthesis aims to understand the current state of "climate readiness", meaning whether management tools, assessments, and information on-ramps are designed to address and consider long-term climate change and the unprecedented conditions and unique challenges that it presents (in contrast to addressing natural climate variability). Importantly, this synthesis does not evaluate management effectiveness. Following this meeting the CCTF will revise the CRS to address SSC comments as noted and present to the Council for their consideration and adoption at a subsequent meeting.