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The Council requests the Ecosystem Committee work with Council and Agency staff to confirm criteria, based on the latest FAO guidance, for the identification and recording of Other Effective Area-Based Conservation Measures (OECMs) in North Pacific federal waters. The Council further requests that the Committee assess which conservation areas in Council waters qualify for OECM status based on these criteria; and identify potential additional actions which could be considered if there was interest in qualifying areas that may not meet existing criteria. The Council would appreciate receiving this information prior to the October meeting.