



D1 Survey Planning

October 2020 Council Meeting

Action Memo

Council Staff: Diana Evans, Dr. Diana Stram
Other Presenters: Dr. Robert Foy (AFSC)
Action Required:

1. Receive AFSC presentation on 2021 survey planning
2. Review SSC report on longer-term survey planning recommendations
3. Provide feedback to AFSC, as appropriate

BACKGROUND

In July 2020, the Council sent a letter to the AFSC requesting an update on 2021 survey planning at its October 2020 meeting, and a more comprehensive plan for conducting all planned 2021 groundfish surveys, including the Northern Bering Sea, at the December 2020 meeting. Dr. Bob Foy, the Science Director for the AFSC, responded in writing, and will give a presentation to the Council under this agenda item at this meeting.

Additionally, a subgroup of the Council's SSC met with AFSC staff, including Dr. Foy, in August 2020, to discuss longer term recommendations for Alaska survey planning. The SSC will discuss the subgroup report during their meeting, and provide recommendations for the Council in their report under this agenda item.