

North Pacific Fishery Management Council

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D4 BSAI Halibut ABM

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Action Memo

Staff: Diana Stram

Other Presenters: Curry Cunningham (APU) and Carey McGilliard (AFSC)

Action Required: Review operating model and scenarios for analysis and provide feedback

(SSC only)

BACKGROUND

The SSC will receive presentations on the halibut operating model and additional analytical considerations for the initial review analysis of the BSAI halibut abundance-based management (ABM) of PSC limits. This analysis is currently scheduled for initial review in October 2019. Staff will provide an overview of the current suite of alternatives and how they are interpreted for analysis. Staff will also identify the subset of scenarios that exist within the alternatives that will be quantitatively analyzed. A description of alternatives (draft of Chapter 2 of the forthcoming EIS) is posted to the agenda. Tables that document choices for model parameterization and additional analytical considerations are also provided.