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Dan Hull, Chairman David Witherell, Executive Director

SUBJECT:

Social Science Planning Team - Report

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ACTION REQUIRED:

Receive report, take action as necessary

BACKGROUND:

The North Pacific Fishery Management Council (Council) recently formed a Social Science Planning Team (SSPT). The purpose of this group is to provide inter-agency support to improve the quality and application of social science data that informs management decision-making and program evaluation, and to strategize medium- and long-term improvements in data collection and analytical methodology.

The SSPT hosted its inaugural meeting May 8-9, 2018, at the Hilton in Anchorage, Alaska. The **attached** report represents detailed minutes summarizing the discussions and highlighting key areas of interest voiced by members of the group. The group did not take formal votes on specific recommendations; this document is meant to serve as the primary medium for communicating the discussions, individual member recommendations, and points made throughout the meeting. This report is organized similarly to the meeting agenda outline, but with slightly different groupings according to topics that merged together in discussion.

The meeting agenda and reference documents reviewed at the meeting are available: http://legistar2.granicus.com/npfmc/meetings/2018/5/981 A Social Science Planning Team 18-05-08 Meeting Agenda.pdf>