

**Council Motion**  
**E1 Staff Tasking – Crab**  
**October 15, 2021**

The Council initiates a discussion paper to:

1. Provide the best available information on bottom contact by pelagic trawl gear and the impact it may have on BBRKC stocks.
2. Evaluate boundaries used for the BBRKC survey, stock assessment, PSC limits, and directed fishery.
3. Summarize mechanisms used in other council managed fisheries to create flexible, responsive spatial management measures for all gear types and how they might be applied to protect BBRKC.