North Pacific Fishery Management Council October 9, 2017 Items for Staff Tasking – October 2017

B-Reports

- Review draft letter to Senator Sullivan on draft legislation
- Discuss possibly moving forward on allowing fishing D-class halibut quota on C-class vessels by CQEs.
- Discuss possible request to update the Fur Seal Conservation Plan
- Discuss process to provide input into the ACLIM model and scenarios
- Discuss review of Deep Sea Corals Plan research priorities and outreach to stakeholders
- Discuss process to review forthcoming NMFS white paper on *Primnoa* Corals
- Discuss possible letter to provide comments on Regulatory Reform

C-4 Catch Specifications

 Review draft letter to NMFS on using 3 survey vessels in the GOA survey (DW note: Do we also want to mention the SSC request for annual bottom trawl surveys in the GOA and BSAI?)

C-5 OAC Report

- Determine relative priority for analysis of tendering and low sampling rates
- Review the composition of the OAC EM workgroup to include trawl representatives

C-6 Observer Annual Deployment Plan

- Discuss prioritization of when to have NMFS reprogram ODDS and CAS to allow vessels to be in the EM pool for fixed gear and in the observer pool for trawl gear in the same year.
- Discuss possible letter to NMFS on 100% coverage for EM
- Discuss possible comments to NMFS Acquisition and Grants Office on statements of work for EM and observer services provider for partial coverage.

C-8 Salmon FMP

 Discuss process and timing to solicit proposals to identify specific conservation and management measures, which address required FMP provisions, for the commercial salmon fisheries in Cook Inlet.

Other Items for Staff Tasking

- Ecosystem Committee Report
- Proposal for an Ecosystem workshop in February
- Review of 3-meeting outlook
- Committee status and membership (add CQE representative on IFQ committee, etc).
- Scheduling of upcoming Committee meetings
- Discuss coordination with the 3-day Young Fishermen's Summit in December