

North Pacific Fishery Management Council
C4 IFQ Committee Report
Draft motion
February 3, 2017

The Council requests that staff develop a discussion paper to evaluate the medical lease provision. The discussion paper should address the issues recommended by the IFQ Committee.

The Council requests that staff develop a discussion paper to consider revisions to the beneficiary designation provision. Staff should begin with the purpose and need statement and alternatives that were provided by NMFS in the committee briefing materials (page 6-7), but also consider alternative means to define “family member.”

The Council requests that staff assess and report on the amount of small quota holdings that are unused and unfished. This information will assist the committee to further evaluate the effectiveness of the sweep-up provision.

The Council requests that staff explore the feasibility of developing information on the movement of quota share out of rural communities (population of 1,500 or less). The information should distinguish between quota share that moves out of the community by transfer (sale) to a non-rural entity versus quota that appears to move out of the community because the quota share holder has relocated his/her address or record to a larger community. This information will assist the committee to assess the need for future action to address rural participation in the IFQ fisheries.