North Pacific Fishery Management Council C-5 Bering Sea Fishery Management Plan, Council Motion October 6, 2018

The Council accepts the draft Bering Sea Fishery Ecosystem Plan (BSFEP), and directs staff to prepare the plan for final adoption by the Council.

The Council requests staff consider and incorporate SSC comments and Ecosystem Committee recommendations to the extent practical. The Council recognizes that some of the issues highlighted by the SSC will continue to be addressed as the Council implements the BSFEP framework, once it is adopted. Specifically, the Council requests the document include an expanded discussion regarding the role of the 1) BSFEP team and 2) the BSFEP in synthesizing existing efforts to facilitate ecosystem-based fishery management.