

D-2 Staff Tasking - Rockfish CV rollover motion

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Request that staff prepare a trailing amendment to address the Council's inability to combine both an uncertainty buffer and a rollover of Chinook from the Rockfish CV fleet in its Preferred Alternative for the GOA Non-Pollock Trawl Chinook bycatch cap.

The analysis should examine three alternatives:

1. The addition of the rollover provision as described in the EA/RIR to the CV rockfish Chinook cap and uncertainty buffer.
2. The addition of a provision allowing the rollover of all but 160 Chinook and a rockfish CV uncertainty buffer.

[Staff note: Council clarified that such a "rollover" would occur on October 1]

3. The rollover of all Chinook remaining in the rockfish CV Chinook cap when all rockfish cooperatives have checked-out of the fishery, but no later than November 15 and no uncertainty buffer.

[Staff note: Council clarified that "no uncertainty buffer" would only apply to the rockfish CV sector]

It is the intent of the Council that it take final action in December and request the agency to incorporate the outcome of that decision into the final rule for GOA Chinook bycatch in the non-pollock trawl fishery.