Alaska Bycatch Review Task Force

Gulf of Alaska Halibut and Salmon Committee

General Bycatch Research Recommendations

• Develop state bycatch research priorities to share with funding entities that would help identify and acquire research funds.

ADF&G could create a process where industry, communities and tribes could participate in developing bycatch research priorities from the state's perspective

 Implement strategies to encourage and facilitate industry/agency cooperative research to reduce bycatch and associated mortality.

Encourage a more streamlined industry cost recovery process for proposed industry/agency projects

 Create methods for collaboration with other research entities to better track proposed or funded bycatch research, along with developing opportunities for cooperative projects and combined reporting of findings.

Host an annual workshop between agencies, research entities and industry to better collaborate on proposed bycatch research projects