

THE COUNCIL'S GUIDING PRINCIPLES

- 1 SUPPORT QUALITY RESEARCH and obtain the most complete scientific information available to assess and manage fisheries;
- 2 PROMOTE AN ECOSYSTEM APPROACH in fisheries management, including reducing waste in fisheries and minimizing impacts on marine habitat and impacts on protected species;
- 3 CONDUCT EDUCATION AND OUTREACH to foster good stewardship principles and broad and direct public participation in the Council's decision making process;
- 4 RECOGNIZE THE IMPORTANCE of island cultures and traditional fishing practices in managing fishery resources and foster opportunities for participation;
- 5 PROMOTE ENVIRONMENTALLY RESPONSIBLE fishing and the utilization of sustainable fisheries that provide long term economic growth and stability;
- 6 PROMOTE REGIONAL COOPERATION to manage domestic and international fisheries; and
- 7 ENCOURAGE DEVELOPMENT OF TECHNOLOGIES and methods to achieve the most effective level of monitoring, control and surveillance and to ensure safety at sea.

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