15. Assessment of the Shortraker Rockfish stock in the Bering Sea and Aleutian Islands [2016]

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[NOTE: In accordance with the approved schedule, no assessment was conducted for this stock this year, however, a full stock assessment will be conducted in 2018. Until then, the values generated from the previous stock assessment (below) will be rolled over for 2018 specifications]

Summary of Results

The recommended 2017 ABC and OFL for BSAI shortraker rockfish are 499 t and 666 t, respectively. Biomass is estimated to be 22,191 t, which is <4% lower than the last full assessment, and ABC and OFL are slightly lower as well. A summary of the estimated biomass and reference points is shown below.

	As estimated or *specified last* year for:		As estimated or *recommended this* year for:	
Quantity	2016	2017	2017	2018
M (natural mortality rate)	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
Tier	5	5	5	5
Biomass (t)	23,009	23,009	22,191	22,191
F_{OFL}	0.03	0.03	0.03	0.03
$maxF_{ABC}$	0.0225	0.0225	0.0225	0.0225
F_{ABC}	0.0225	0.0225	0.0225	0.0225
OFL (t)	690	690	666	666
maxABC (t)	518	518	499	499
ABC (t)	518	518	499	499
	As determined *last* year for:		As determined *this* year for:	
Status	2014	2015	2015	2016
Overfishing		n/a		n/a