

# U.S. Federal Fisheries Management & Regulatory Process

**END**

**Secretary of Commerce**

Implements federal fishing regulations - approve, partially approve, disapprove

**Council**

Gathers input from scientists & fishing stakeholders  
Develops fishery management plans

**NOAA Fisheries (NMFS)**

Reviews amendments to fishery management plans from the Council

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Public Input throughout process

- Advisory Panels - All Fisheries Stakeholders
- Scientific & Statistical Committee - Scientists
- SEDAR - Stock Assessments - Fishermen & Scientists

**START**

