Management Challenges and Opportunities

1. MSRA ACL/AMs create management opportunities on multiple fronts
2. EFH as a common currency for coordinated management
Challenges to EBM

- Sheer complexity of ecosystem models
- Jurisdictional considerations
- Tough sell (lost yield and tradeoffs)
Opportunity for applied EBM

- ACL requirement of MSRA will cause a more comprehensive consideration of EBM issues
- Stock classifications (target, non-target and ecosystem component species)
- The interrelatedness of our managed species will become more apparent as ACLs are quantified and treated within FMPs
Additional ACL/AM implications

- AM discussion may yield additional long term opportunities to ensure sustainability of regional fisheries resources
- Overcapacity works against economic viability and sustainability and AMs may cause managers to view catch shares through a new lens
EFH essential to effective ocean planning

■ Challenge

EFH ➔ HAPC ➔ GRA

■ Opportunity

EFH is essential to the long term health and sustainability of our fisheries and should be a cornerstone and common currency in the ocean planning discussion