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Amendment 10 to the Bottomfish and Seamount Groundfish Fishery Management Plan would prohibit commercial fishing vessels greater than 40' in length overall from targeting Bottomfish Management Unit Species (BMUS) in waters from 0-50 nm from the southern boundary of the EEZ around CNMI to the north latitude of 16° 10' 47", and within 10 nm around Almagán. It would also require federal permits and catch reports for all commercial vessels targeting BMUS with the EEZ waters surrounding CNMI, as well as federal sales reporting for BMUS landed by any commercial vessel greater than 40' in length overall. This amendment is currently being finalized for review and approval by the National Marine Fisheries Service.