

Welcome to
NTAP Full Panel Meeting
March 17, 2022

Membership update

New this year:

Dan Farnham

Emerson Hasbrouck

Michael Hillers

Dan Salerno

Jason Didden (MAFMC staff support)

NEFSC members:

Anna Mercer, Philip Politis, Tim Miller, Kathryn Ford

Katie Burchard and Andy Jones (NEFSC staff support)

First Name	Last Name	Affiliation
Christopher	Parkins	ASMFC Representative
Robert	Ruhle	ASMFC Representative
Dan	Farnham	MAFMC Member
Wes	Townsend	MAFMC Member Co-Chair
James	Gartland	MAFMC Scientist
Dustin	Gregg	MAFMC Scientist
Terry	Alexander	MAFMC Stakeholder
Emerson	Hasbrouck	MAFMC Stakeholder
Michael	Hillers	MAFMC Stakeholder
Dan	Salerno	NEFMC Member
Michael	Sissenwine	NEFMC Member Co- Chair
Pingguo	He	NEFMC Scientist
Michael	Pol	NEFMC Scientist
Vito	Giacalone	NEFMC Stakeholder
David	Goethel	NEFMC Stakeholder
Frank	Mirarchi	NEFMC Stakeholder

Brief review of recent NTAP activities

Full Panel:

- NTAP met in August 2020 - discussed research priorities (led to voting process b/w meetings)
- Fall/winter 2020-2021 Wendy Gabriel retires, Jon Hare becomes NEFSC Staff Lead; NEFSC has funds available for NTAP research
- Dec 2020 - Moulton letter to NEFSC with recommendations based on task force report
- NTAP met in January 2021 - discussed charter and research priorities
- NTAP met in March 2021 - decided on restrictor rope research and process for updating charter
- NTAP met in July 2021 - revised charter to send to Council, updates on restrictor rope study planning; Kathryn Ford introduced as NEFSC Staff Lead
- Councils approve changes to the charter (August 2021 - MAFMC; September 2021 - NEFMC)
- Oct 2021 funds awarded to GMRI/NEU and SMAST for Moulton groundfish work
- NTAP membership application and selection process in Oct 2021 - Jan 2022, 4 new members; Matt Seeley leaves MAFMC, Jason Didden becomes MAFMC Staff Lead

Research Working Group:

- Met in July and November 2021
- Starting field work in June 2022

Meeting agendas and notes on the NTAP website:
<https://www.mafmc.org/ntap>

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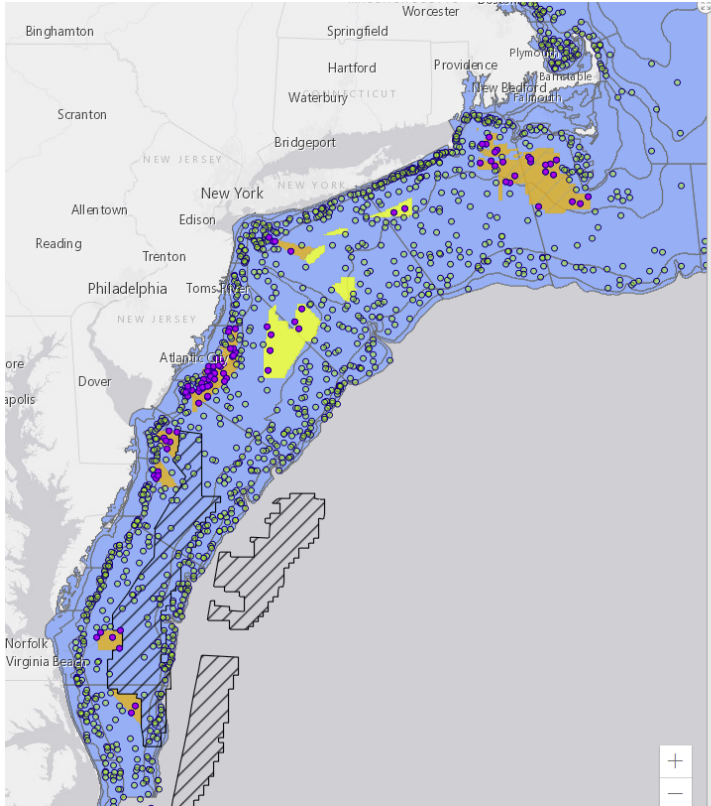
- Fall & spring survey update
 - Fall 2021
 - 9/11/21-11/15/21
 - Summary released on 11/30/21
 - Video produced:
<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/about/northeast-ecosystems-surveys>
 - Numbers from fish infographic:
<https://www.fisheries.noaa.gov/insight/numbers-fish-yearly-averages>
 - Spring 2022
 - 3/1/22-5/14/22
- Survey reports
 - Spring 2021 available [online](#)
 - Filter by year, NEFSC, and Non-series report
 - Fall 2021 coming soon
- NEFSC survey data
 - [InPort](#)
 - [Spring Bottom Trawl Survey Metadata](#)
 - [Spring Bottom Trawl Survey Data](#)
 - [Fall Bottom Trawl Survey Metadata](#)
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- Rockhopper vs. chainsweep study (fieldwork done 2015-2017)
 - Use of this research in assessments is summarized in tables for [2019](#), [2020](#), and [2021](#)
- Area-swept/wingspread study (fieldwork done 2019)
 - Use of this research: StockEff (formerly known as ADIOS) was updated to factor in the actual swept area measurement recorded with each tow when expanding catch in late December of 2021. All 2022 assessments and beyond will include swept area as a factor.
- Decoupling time series
 - CINAR grant to Dr. Cadrin, SMAST
- NTAP orientation document
 - NEFSC looking for 2 people to help review and complete
- Wind
 - SSEEP (Survey Simulation Experimentation and Evaluation Project) - two workshops completed Jan and Feb 2022. Final report should be available in early Fall 2022.
 - Congress did not support survey mitigation budget in FY22 for offshore wind

Offshore wind energy areas

Black sea bass



Impacted Tows by Wind Farm Areas



Bottom Trawl Survey Tow Data



Draft Central Atlantic Planning Area



Offshore Wind Areas

Project Phase

Leased

Planning

Mean Catch subject to impacts from Offshore Wind

