



Research Set-Aside Workshop Workshop Meeting 2 (Funding)

Tuesday, August 31, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST

[Webinar Link](#)

Meeting Number (Access code): 179 802 5622; **Password:** mafmc

Meeting Page: <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events/rsa-workshop-2>

Purpose

The Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council and its Research Steering Committee (RSC) are hosting a Research Set-Aside (RSA) Workshop, which will consist of 3 webinars from June to October and 1 in-person meeting in November. The goal of the four workshops is to help the RSC develop a recommendation to the Council with public input on whether and how to redevelop the Mid-Atlantic RSA program. *The goal of Workshop Meeting 2 (Funding) is to confirm how the program will be administered, discuss funding mechanisms, and indicate that projects should be tied to management/assessment needs.* For additional background information and details on the other workshops, please visit: <https://www.mafmc.org/workshop/rsa>.

Briefing Materials

- RSA Workshop Overview
- Comprehensive Mid-Atlantic RSA Timeline
- RSA Numbers by Species and Year
- New England Fishery Management Council Final RSA Report (2019)

Agenda

10:00 a.m. – 10:30 a.m.

Welcome

- Adam Nowalsky (RSC Chair) and Mike Luisi (Council Chair)

Ground Rules

- Andrew Loftus (Facilitator)

Presentation on Administering and Funding RSA

- Ryan Silva (GARFO Staff)

10:30 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Discussion with the SSC Economic Working Group (WG)

- Presentation by the WG – Dr. Jorge Holzer and Dr. Mark Holliday (MAFMC SSC)
- Discuss funding mechanisms (i.e., auction, fixed price offer, etc.) with focus on future economic outcomes
- Public questions/comment

- 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m. Lunch**
- 12:45 p.m. – 1:35 p.m. How should the auction system or other similar funding mechanism be revised to improve RSA?**
- Presentation by Dr. Eleanor Bochenek (Rutgers University/National Fisheries Institute)
 - Discussion of previous issues and proposed revisions
 - Develop recommendations with workshop participant input
 - Public questions/comment
- 1:35 p.m. – 2:25 p.m. What are the pros and cons of compensation fishing?**
- Presentation by a previous RSA participant – Dr. Olaf Jensen (University of Wisconsin – Madison)
 - Discussion of previous issues and proposed revisions
 - Develop recommendations with workshop participant input
 - Public questions/comment
- 2:25 p.m. – 2:40 p.m. Break**
- 2:40 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. What are the pros and cons of a fixed price funding mechanism?**
- Presentation by Jim Gartland (VIMS/NEAMAP)
 - Discussion of previous issues and proposed revisions
 - Develop recommendations with workshop participant input
 - Public questions/comment
- 3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Other Options, Next Steps and Public Comment**
- 4:00 p.m. Adjourn**