



Research Set-Aside Workshop Workshop Meeting 3 (Enforcement)

Thursday, October 14, 2021
10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. EST

[Webinar Link](#)

Meeting Number (Access code): 2338 758 2383; **Password:** mafmc

Meeting Page: <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events/rsa-workshop-3>

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 February. 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 3 (Enforcement) is to identify potential program modifications that could prevent reoccurrence of previous enforcement issues.* 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 (See the 2014 RSA Program Issues Memo)
- 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

- Research Steering Committee and Council Chairs

Ground Rules and Review of Workshop Structure

- Andrew Loftus (Facilitator)

Workshop Recap and RSA Enforcement: Why are we here?

- Matthew Seeley (Council Staff)

10:30 a.m. – 11:00 a.m.

Discussion with the SSC Economic Working Group (WG)

- Presentation by the WG – Dr. Lee Anderson (MAFMC SSC)
- Discuss how economics influence fisheries enforcement at the state and federal level with a focus on RSA program revisions

- 11:00 p.m. – 12:00 p.m.** **Federal RSA Catch Accounting and Monitoring (Reporting, Permitting and Administration)**
- Presentation by Ryan Silva (GARFO Staff)
 - Discussion of previous issues and proposed revisions
 - Develop recommendations with workshop participant input
 - Public questions/comment
- 12:00 p.m. – 12:45 p.m.** **Lunch**
- 12:45 p.m. – 1:35 p.m.** **State RSA Catch Accounting and Monitoring (Reporting, Permitting and Administration)**
- Presentation by Dan McKiernan (MA DMF) and Maureen Davidson (NY DEC)
 - Discussion of previous issues and proposed revisions
 - Develop recommendations with workshop participant input
 - Public questions/comment
- 1:35 p.m. – 2:25 p.m.** **Federal RSA Dockside Enforcement (Vessel and Case Adjudication)**
- Presentation by Assistant Special Agent in Charge Jim Cassin and Special Agent Todd J. Smith (Northeast Region Office of Law Enforcement District 2)
 - 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.** **State RSA Dockside Enforcement (Vessel and Case Adjudication)**
- Presentation by Jason Snellbaker (NJDEP and ASMFC LEC Chair)
 - 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 Enforcement Challenges (e.g., new proposals), Next Steps and Public Comment**
- 4:00 p.m.** **Adjourn**