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Bluefish Monitoring Committee Meeting - Webinar

Monday, July 26, 2021 1:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Meeting Link Meeting Number: 179 404 3625 Password: T9MaZUDxM22

Purpose

The purpose of the meeting is for the Monitoring Committee (MC) to recommend bluefish catch and landings limits for 2022-2023 (as well as commercial measures, if deemed necessary). At the meeting, we will review the Scientific and Statistical Committee (SSC) recommendation, staff memo, Northeast Fisheries Science Center management track assessment, recent fishery performance, and the fishery information document to assist the MC in their deliberations. Similar to last year, we will address the recreational management measures as best we can at this meeting, however, we will plan to convene again in November when more Marine Recreational Information Program (MRIP) data is available.

<u>Agenda</u>

1:00 p.m.

• Convene

1:00 p.m. to 1:10 p.m.

- Introductions
- Purpose and need for this meeting

1:10 p.m. to 1:40 p.m.

- Review of MRIP estimation methodology to address missing data for 2020 (presentation by John Foster)
- Discussion on 2020 Recreational Harvest Estimates

1:40 p.m. to 4:00 p.m.

- Review of the 2021 Bluefish Fishery Information Document
- Review of the 2021 Management Track Assessment/Projections
- Review of the 2021 Bluefish Advisory Panel Fishery Performance Report
- Discuss the July 2021 SSC recommendations and Staff Memo
- Recommend bluefish management measures for 2022-2023

4:00 p.m.

• Adjourn