

Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council

October 4-6, 2022

Dewey Beach, DE

MOTIONS

Tuesday, October 4, 2022

Executive Committee – 2023 Implementation Plan

Move to approve the draft deliverables, with the changes approved today, for development as the 2023 Implementation Plan.

Hughes/Duval

Motion carries by consent with one abstention (GARFO)

Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Species Separation Requirements Amendment

Move to approve the Atlantic Surfclam and Ocean Quahog Species Separation Requirements Draft Amendment for Public Hearings as discussed today.

Hughes/Davidson

Motion carries by consent

Wednesday, October 5, 2022

Essential Fish Habitat Amendment (EFH)

Move to initiate an Omnibus Essential Fish Habitat Amendment to address the components of an EFH Review and concurrently revise the fishery management plans, as needed.

Duval/Winslow

Motion carries by consent

Spiny Dogfish 2023 Specifications

I move that the Council adopt a 5% management uncertainty buffer with the other specifications used by the Monitoring Committee to result in an 11.2-million-pound commercial quota.

Gwin for Committee

Specifications	2023	
	mil pounds	metric tons
OFL (from SSC)	na	na
ABC (from SSC)	17.2	7,788
Canadian Landings	0.1	37
Domestic ABC	17.1	7,751
ACL = ABC	17.1	7,751
Mgmt Uncert Buffer	5%	5%
Amount of buffer	0.9	388
ACT (minus buffer)	16.2	7,363
U.S. Discards	4.6	2,088
TAL (minus discards)	11.6	5,275
U.S. Rec Landings	0.5	214
Com Quota (Minus Rec)	11.2	5,061

I move to substitute that the Council adopt a 0% management uncertainty buffer with the other specifications used by the Monitoring Committee to result in a 12-million-pound commercial quota.

Hemilright/Lenox (16/2/0)
Motion to substitute carries

Substitute motion becomes the main motion:

I move that the Council adopt a 0% management uncertainty buffer with the other specifications used by the Monitoring Committee to result in a 12-million-pound commercial quota.

18/0/1
Motion carries

Thursday, October 6, 2022

Move that the Council send a comment letter on the Proposed North Atlantic Right Whale Vessel Strike Reduction Rule. The comment letter should include the points discussed during the September 14 Protected Resources Committee meeting.

Nowalsky/Neill (16/2/1)
Motion carries