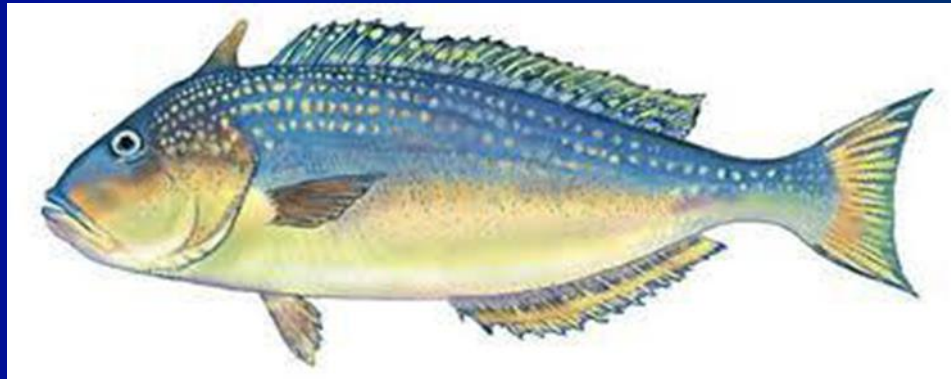


Golden Tilefish

Upcoming Management Actions



SSC Meeting
March 9, 2021

Today

- Objective:
 - Brief review upcoming management actions

- Outline:
 - Background
 - Timeline
 - Specifications
 - Framework (FW)

Specifications Process Timeline

- 2021-2022 (interim) multi-year specifications cycle
- Typically, set/review specs in early Spring
- Slight change in timing to conduct specs process

Specifications Process Timeline

- NRCC stock assessment process/schedule
 - Management track assessment update – June 2021
 - Review 2022 and set 2023-2024
 - Research track stock assessment – June 2024
 - Set 2025-2026-2027

Specifications Process Timeline

- No other aspects of reviewing/setting specs for this cycle will change
 - SSC will review the 2021 management track assessment update, the 2021 Fishery Performance Report, and other background information to review/set ABCs (July)
 - The MC will also review all available information to review/recommend management measures (July)

Specifications Process Timeline

- Findings and recommendations will be presented to Council (August 2021)

Other ongoing projects/issues

- October 2020 Council meeting – E.O. 13921
 - List of recommendations
 - “Initiate a framework to allow golden tilefish specifications to be set for more than 3 years”
 - 2021 Council Proposed Actions and Deliverables
 - Initiate golden tilefish multi-year specifications framework (E.O. 13921 recommendation)
 - Specifications to be set for maximum number of years needed to be consistent with the Northeast Regional Coordinating Council (NRCC)-approved stock assessment schedule

Other ongoing projects/issues

- This FW will also address
 - Change to the fishing year (FY)
 - Currently (Nov 1 – Oct 31)
 - Consider change (Jan 1 – Dec 31)
 - FY = calendar year
 - Matches FY with cost recovery calculations
 - Matches stock assessment results/projections which are based on calendar year
 - AP members support FW development

Other ongoing projects/issues

- To facilitate this transition:
 - Modify 2022 specs/FY
 - Currently from Nov 1, 2021 – Oct 31, 2022, to
 - Nov 1, 2021 – Dec 31, 2022 (One-time only adjustment)
- Then, set specs for
 - 2023: Jan 1, 2023 – Dec 31, 2023; and
 - 2024: Jan 1, 2024 – Dec 31, 2024

Other ongoing projects/issues

- FW will be used to address all these topics
 - Multi-year specifications cycle
 - Fishing year
 - Set specifications (catch & landings limits)
- Framework meetings
 - 1st – April Council meeting
 - 2nd – August Council meeting