



Mid-Atlantic Fishery Management Council
Scientific and Statistical Committee Meeting

May 14-15, 2024

Royal Sonesta Harbor Court (550 Light Street, Baltimore, MD)
or via Webex webinar

This will be an in-person meeting with a virtual option. SSC members, other invited meeting participants, and members of the public will have the option to participate in person at the Royal Sonesta Harbor Court or virtually via Webex webinar. Webinar connection instructions and briefing materials will be available at Council's website: <https://www.mafmc.org/council-events/2024/ssc-may-14-15>.

AGENDA

Tuesday, May 14, 2024

- 9:30 Welcome/Overview of meeting agenda (P. Rago)
- 9:35 Overview of the Woods Hole Assessment Model (WHAM) (T. Miller, NEFSC)
- Outcomes from the Applying State-Space Models Research Track peer review
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 Introductory overview of the Black Sea Bass Research Track stock assessment information (K. Curti, NEFSC)
- Overview of new modeling framework, survey data advancements, and ecosystem considerations
 - Research Track peer review findings and recommendations
- 12:00 Lunch
- 1:00 Introductory overview of the Golden Tilefish Research Track stock assessment information
- Ecosystem and Socioeconomic profile (S. Salois, NEFSC)
 - New fishery dependent and independent data sources (J. Montañez)
 - Overview of modeling framework development (K. Blackhart, NEFSC)

- 2:00 Review of 2023 South Atlantic Deepwater Longline (SADL) Survey (K. Craig, SEFSC and W. Bublely, SC DNR)
- Survey background, 2023 survey expansion and results, future survey plans
- 3:00 Break
- 3:15 Review of 2023 Mid-Atlantic Golden Tilefish Longline Survey (J. Olin, Michigan Technical University)
- Review of 2023 survey results and future survey plans and application
- 4:15 Longfin Squid ABC data and fishery update; review of previously recommended 2025 ABC (J. Didden)
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- 5:15 Adjourn

Wednesday, May 15, 2024

- 8:30 Potential updates to the OFL CV guidance document
- Review SSC sub-group recommendations (P. Rago)
 - Approve revised OFL CV guidance document for Council consideration
- 9:45 Chub Mackerel data and fishery update; review of previously recommended 2025 ABC (J. Beaty)
- 10:15 Break
- 10:30 Recreational Measures Setting Process Framework/Addenda
- Overview and anticipated timeline of action (J. Beaty)
 - SSC Sub-Group – work plan and initial feedback (T. Miller)
 - MSE and F-based analyses – overview and progress update
- 12:00 Other Business
- Scientific Coordination Sub-Committee 8th National Workshop update
 - Assessment Oversight Panel – 2024 Management Track recommendations
- 12:30 Adjourn

Note: agenda topic times are approximate and subject to change