NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Herring Committee

I. STATUS
   A. Meetings: The Herring Committee met on Sept. 23, 2022. The Herring Advisory Panel met on Sept. 23, 2022, before the Committee. The Herring Plan Development Team (PDT) met on July 7, July 15, Aug. 16, and Sept. 6, 2022. All meetings were held by webinar.
   C. Specifications for 2023-2025: This action would set Atlantic herring specifications for 2023 through 2025 based on the 2022 stock assessment, SSC recommendations, the Council’s ABC control rule, and rebuilding plan for Atlantic herring. This action would also set river herring/shad catch caps for 2023 through 2025. The Council is anticipated to take final action at this meeting.
   D. Framework Adjustment 7 / Spawning Protection: The Council initiated this action in September 2019 and clarified the scope of the action in April 2021 to limit it to measures for the Atlantic herring fishery and to focus on adult Atlantic herring spawning protection. In June, the Committee and Council reviewed progress to date for this action and considered next steps. The action was placed on hold pending further discussion at September Committee and Council meetings.

II. COUNCIL ACTION
   A. Specifications for 2023-2025 – take final action.
   B. Framework Adjustment 7 – consider a change in priorities to discontinue work on this action.

III. INFORMATION
   1. Herring Committee Motions
   2. Presentation, Council Staff
   3. Specifications for 2023-2025
      a. Draft supplemental information report (SIR), including the draft proposed action
      b. Herring PDT memo to SSC re Atlantic herring OFLs/ABCs 2023-2025
      c. Risk policy matrix for Atlantic herring
   4. Atlantic Herring Framework 7, draft discussion document, June 3, 2022
   5. Meeting Summaries
      a. Herring Advisory Panel, Sept. 23, 2022, draft motions or meeting summary
      b. Herring Committee, Sept. 23, 2022, draft motions or meeting summary
   6. Correspondence