

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Scallop Committee

I. STATUS

- A. Meetings: The Scallop PDT met by webinar on October 1, 2021, October 5, 2021, October 19, 2021, October 22, 2021, November 2, 2021, November 22, 2021, and November 24, 2021. The Scallop Advisory Panel met on October 26, 2021 and December 2, 2021. The Scallop Committee met on October 27, 2021 and December 3, 2021.
- B. Framework 34: The Council is expected to take final action on Framework Adjustment 34 to the Scallop FMP, which will set fishing specifications for fishing year 2022 and default measures for 2023. This action will implement several of the measures from Amendment 21.
- C. 2021 Scallop Work Priorities: A draft report on the evaluation of rotational management has been prepared for the Council's review, with a final report to be delivered prior to the February 2022 Council meeting. The Scallop Survey Working Group held its third meeting on November 17, 2021.
- D. Amendment 21: The Council transmitted the final submission of Amendment 21 to NMFS on August 13, 2021. A final decision on Amendment 21 is expected before the Council takes final action on Framework 34.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. Final action on Framework 34
- B. Provide feedback on Evaluation of Rotational Management draft report

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Staff Presentation (*to be provided*)
- 2. Motions from Scallop AP and Committee Meetings – December 2 & 3, 2021 (*to be provided*)
- 3. Framework 34
 - a. Decision Document
 - b. Draft Framework 34
 - c. Bycatch memo to the Groundfish PDT
- 4. Evaluation of Rotational Management
 - a. Presentation
 - b. Draft Report
- 5. Scallop Survey Working Group
 - a. Presentation
 - b. Background documents from Nov. 17, 2021 meeting
- 6. Meeting Summaries
 - a. Scallop AP and Committee meetings, October 26 & 27, 2021
 - b. Recent PDT meeting summaries
- 7. Correspondence