NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Scallop Committee

I. STATUS

- A. Meetings: The Scallop PDT met by webinar on September 30, 2025, October 9, 2025, October 16, 2025, October 30, 2025, and November 7, 2025. The Scallop AP met in New Bedford, Massachusetts on October 21, 2025, and by webinar on November 19, 2025. The Scallop Committee met in New Bedford, Massachusetts on October 22, 2025, and by webinar on November 20, 2025.
- B. <u>Framework 40:</u> The Council is expected to take final action on Framework Adjustment 40 to the Scallop FMP, an action that will set fishery specifications for fishing year 2026 and default measures for 2027. The Council may wish to consider measures that would create sub-areas in the Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) with separate Total Allowable Landings (TAL) and set-asides.
- C. <u>Other Scallop Priorities:</u> The Council is expected to receive a presentation on the Scallop Long-Term Strategic Plan.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. <u>Scallop Framework 40:</u> Take final action on the framework.
- B. <u>Scallop Long-Term Strategic Plan:</u> Review and discussion of the Scallop Long-Term Strategic Plan.

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. Framework 40
 - a. Framework 40 Decision Document
 - b. Framework 40 Draft
 - c. SSC Report to NEFMC re: Scallop OFLs & ABCs for FY 2026/2027
- 3. Long-Term Strategic Plan
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 - b. Appendix I Goals & Objectives of the Scallop FMP and Subsequent Actions
 - c. Appendix II Evaluation Criteria
- 4. Meeting Summaries and Memos:
 - a. Meeting motions from Scallop AP and Committee meetings November 19 & 20, 2025
 - b. Recent Meeting Summaries (October November)
- 5. Correspondence