

NEW ENGLAND FISHERY MANAGEMENT COUNCIL

Scallop Committee

I. STATUS

- A. Meetings: Since the June Council meeting, the PDT met via webinar on July 29th and August 17th, and on August 26-27th in Buzzards Bay, MA. In Boston, MA, the Scallop Advisory Panel will meet jointly with the PDT on September 9th and the Scallop Committee will meet on September 10th.
- B. Scallop Specifications: An action to set scallop fishery specifications for FY 2027 and FY 2028 (default) was initiated in June. Staff will provide an update on 2026 scallop survey results.
- C. Framework 42: Framework 42, a management action focused on regional day-at-sea (DAS) and Northern Gulf of Maine (NGOM) sub-management areas, was initiated in June. Staff will seek additional input from the AP and Committee on these management measures at the September 9th and 10th meetings and will provide an update to the Council in September.
- D. Other Scallop Priorities: Staff continue to work with the contractor on a project to develop a new scallop stock projection model. Staff will seek input from the AP and Committee on a draft three-year work plan and will provide an update to the Council in September.

II. COUNCIL ACTION

- A. No Council action required

III. INFORMATION

- 1. Staff Presentation
- 2. 2026 Scallop Survey Estimates
- 3. Meeting summaries:
 - a. Scallop PDT, July 29th
 - b. Scallop PDT, August 17th
 - c. Scallop PDT, August 26-27th
- 4. Framework 42 Discussion Document
- 5. Scallop Work Plan (2027-2029)
- 6. Scallop AP & Committee motions, September 9th & 10th
- 7. Correspondence