## 2019 SPRING NRCC MEETING AGENDA

Francis Marion Hotel – 387 King St, Charleston, SC

# All times are approximate

# Thursday, May 16

1330-1335

1. Welcome, Introductions, Announcements (Beal, Gilbert)

1335-1530

2. Offshore Wind Energy

Discussion leaders: Pentony/Hare

Guest presenters: Sue Tuxbury (GARFO), Andy Lipsky (NEFSC)

- Receive a broad overview of offshore wind energy development in the region
- Discuss impact to NEFSC surveys
- Discuss strategies for continued engagement

1530-1730

3. <u>Stock Assessment Schedule and Related Topics</u>

Discussion leader: Simpkins

- Finalize 2019-2020 intercessional updates to management and research track schedules
- Provide update on progress toward convening working groups or steering committees
- Review and discuss the draft assessment communications framework
- Discuss any adjustments to 2023-2024 research tracks and proposed research track efforts for 2025

1730 Adjourn Day 1

1900 - Dinner at Hank's Seafood Restaurant, 10 Hayne Street (hanksseafoodrestaurant.com)

## Friday, May 17

0830-1030

4. <u>Jurisdictional Issues and Shifting Stocks</u>

Discussion leader: Beal

- Continue discussions on management and science challenges
- Update on the discussion that occurred at the March 2019 South Atlantic Fishery Management Council meeting
- Discuss possible division of tasks; different approaches to allocation
- Update on the status of the Atlantic Coast Science Coordination Workshop

#### 1030-1045 Break

## 1045-1115

5. <u>Herring Georges Bank Spawning Closures</u>

Discussion Leader: Nies

• Discuss coordination between NEFMC, ASMFC, and NEFSC

## 1115-1135

6. Commercial eVTRs in the Greater Atlantic Region

Discussion Leader: Moore

• Discuss timeline and implications of MAFMC's action

#### 1135-1230

- 7. Update on Endangered Species Act Section 7 Consultation on the Continued Implementation of Management Measures for the Northeast Multispecies, Monkfish, Spiny Dogfish, Atlantic Bluefish, Northeast Skate Complex, Mackerel/Squid/Butterfish, Summer Flounder/Scup/Black Sea Bass, Atlantic Deep Sea Red Crab, American Lobster, and Jonah Crab Fisheries Discussion leader: Pentony
  - Update on the work of the Take Reduction Team and timing of any regulations
  - Discuss timeline for Council and Commission review of the draft Biological Opinion

#### 1230-1300

- 8. <u>Meeting wrap-up and Other Business</u>
  - Complete any unfinished discussions or unresolved new business
    - 1. Regional BSIA Framework (Pentony/Hare)
  - Review action items and assignments
  - Identify Fall 2019 (ASMFC host) meeting date
  - Adjourn meeting

1300 Meeting adjourns